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WIRES WORK ONCE AGAIN

TELEPHONE CABLE TO MAINLAND RESTORED

Times Now Getting Its Full
Leased Wire Telegraphic
Service.

Though the Vancouver News-Advertiser announces that a second cable to Victoria will shortly be in operation by the B. C. Telephone Company, R. B. McMicking, the local manager, says he knows nothing about it. He says, however, that the need of a second cable has long been apparent and the work of laying the same will be doubt be taken up at an early date. Mr. McMicking adds that the error which the Vancouver paper makes is no doubt due to the fact that a land cable had recently been laid under the streets of Vancouver, and it is the progress with this work which led to the misunderstanding.

Mr. McMicking is rejoicing at the fact that the company's cable to the Mainland, which had been out of commission for a period of thirteen days, is now in working order, the cable repair ship Restorer having on Saturday at 4 o'clock picked up the two ends and spliced the same. Sharing in Mr. McMicking's satisfaction at this is the Times newspaper, the Western Union Telegraph Company, and F. W. Stevenson & Co., the stock brokers, who each have leased wires served by this cable.

The break in the cable, which runs from Telegraph Bay on this island to Andrew's Bay, on San Juan Island, caused a great amount of inconvenience, to say nothing of the monetary loss to those mentioned who were getting a wire service over it. The Times leased wire news service had to be kept by "specials" in order to keep the readers of this paper informed of the happenings of the outside world.

The loss to F. W. Stevenson & Co. and the Western Union Telegraph Co. was very considerable.

Mr. McMicking says the company was fortunate in being able to secure a vessel so well equipped as the Restorer for the work of repairing the cable. The Restorer, which is maintained on this station by the Pacific Cable Company for the express purpose of being ready to act in a case of emergency should anything go wrong with the cable connecting Banfield Creek with Honolulu, is equipped with the most modern apparatus for picking up and repairing in mid-ocean if need be.

The Restorer commenced on the work of picking up the telephone cable on Saturday, the 25th inst., and thus worked for several full days before accomplishing the purpose in hand. The ground over which the cable runs is pronounced very difficult for such a task, as it is broken and rocky, and the Restorer found that the grappling hooks would pass over the cable time and time again without picking it up. Finally, however, the hooks got it and the splice was soon made.

The Times leased wire service is now resumed, and it is hoped that from this date there will be no interruption to the full telegraphic service supplied the readers of this paper.

"EXPEDITIONS" FAIL TO DISCOVER COOK

Scientists and Journalists Are Unable to Locate Brooklyn Physician.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Paris, Dec. 27.—Judging by the number of "expeditions" undertaken today by scientists and journalists in search of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, who has mysteriously disappeared, his discovery promises to be an event of the greatest importance in the history of the north pole. It is believed that Dr. Cook is either at Nice or at Monte Carlo.

Deserts Cook Standard.
New York, Dec. 27.—Charles W. Wake, of this city, Arctic explorer, member of the explorer's club, and heretofore one of the staunchest supporters of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, has deserted the Cook standard.

PRESIDENT TAFT IS IN QUANDARY

STANDARD OIL CASE IS CAUSING TROUBLE

Difference of Opinion Regarding
Proposed Federal In-
corporation Act.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Serious consideration, it is announced to-day, is being given by President Taft and his advisers, who want him to lead in congress to the question of attempting to enact a federal incorporation act in advance of a final decision of the Standard Oil dissolution case.

There appears to be an important difference of opinion between Mr. Taft and his advisers, who want him to withhold the message which he has announced he will send to congress.

It is understood Mr. Taft fears business generally will suffer if the Supreme court affirms the finding of the Circuit court in the dissolution case and that he strongly favors what might be termed, "vaccination of the body corporate by the administration of legislative remedy before the evil appears."

On the other hand, congressional leaders fear such a course would merely supply ammunition to opponents of the administration by giving them an excuse to charge that the force of the Taft regime is being directed toward creating a shelter for monopolies.

If the president should submit his recommendations soon after congress reconvenes, and should follow what is said to be his present inclination, he would ask for the passage of a federal corporation law without delay, on the ground that honest business is menaced under the interpretation of the Sherman anti-trust act, given by the Circuit court decision in the Standard Oil case.

While the president's view is shared by congressional leaders, they recognize that serious opposition will arise against any legislation apparently calculated to narrow the scope of the Sherman law. They believe this opposition is so strong that there would be a protracted contest over such a measure, and that it would be the part of wisdom, therefore, to await the decision of the Supreme court.

Mr. Taft, it is said, has reviewed personally the evidence in the Standard Oil case, with the result that he believes the decision correctly interprets the law. If so, he presumably expects the decision will be sustained by the Supreme court.

MURDERER LYNCHED BY INFURIATED MOB

Guards Are Unable to Save the Life of their Prisoner.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Hurry, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Following the killing here on Christmas eve of Samuel Baker and the serious wounding of his wife and two children by a mob of angry, Henry Pennington, a mob of one hundred citizens late yesterday took Pennington from jail, where he had been taken under heavy guard, and hanged him.

Pennington, who had been drinking, rickled a quarrel with Baker and shot him when the latter was on his way to a Sunday school Christmas tree with his wife, his two children and a friend, Wyatt Meadows. Seeing that he had killed Baker, Pennington started to run away. Mrs. Baker called after Pennington and implored him to help her take the body home.

The ruse worked and Pennington went back to the spot where his victim lay dead. Bent upon avenging the dead, Mrs. Baker grabbed Pennington's revolver from his pocket and shot twice at him. Her aim was bad, Pennington recovered possession of the revolver and then shot the woman and attempted to kill Meadows and the two children.

TWO CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Mother Makes Futile Effort to Save Little Ones From Flames.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Loveland, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Two small children, of S. M. Sunnycraft, of this city, were burned to death today in a fire that destroyed their home. Mrs. Sunnycraft escaped from the burning building in her nightclothes, after making ineffectual efforts to save the lives of her little ones.



THE MORNING AFTER

MADRIZ RULES WITH FIRM HAND

ZELAYA'S SON-IN-LAW THROWN INTO JAIL

Is Accused of Misapplication of
Funds—Former Minister
Also Arrested.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Managua, Dec. 27.—The new president of Nicaragua, Joe Madriz, is taking hold of affairs with a strong hand. Zelaya left him the legacy of an empty treasury, and soon after President Madriz had publicly announced, in effect, that the country was practically on the verge of bankruptcy, the arrest of Joaquin Pasos, Zelaya's son-in-law, and Ernesto Martinez, Zelaya's last finance minister, was ordered.

They are now in the hands of the authorities, charged with misapplication of funds, failure to register government bonds and the circulation of unsigned paper money.

Francisco Baco, who has replaced Dr. Julian Trias as minister-general, is preparing a decree establishing a commission to revoke franchises under which a score of monopolies, given to individuals by Zelaya, have been operated. These monopolies poured in to Zelaya's purse vast sums of money. While they were ostensibly in the hands of others, it was to the former president that the greater portion of the returns were transferred. Pasos is looked upon as the creator of these monopolies, and the dummy utilized by Zelaya to cover his large stock interests therein. His arrest has been enthusiastically received.

FREDERICK REMINGTON, THE ARTIST, DEAD

Passes Away at His Home of Appendicitis, After Brief Illness.

Ridgfield, Conn., Dec. 27.—Frederick Remington, the artist, died here yesterday of appendicitis after a brief illness. He was operated on last Thursday. Remington came here last May to make this his permanent residence. He was in his forty-eighth year, and was a native of Canton, N. Y., to which place the body will be taken this evening.

Remington was married to Miss Eva Caton, of Gloversville, N. Y., who survives him.

Frederick Remington went west after a short apprenticeship as an office clerk and became a cowboy. It was in this western life that he found the subject for most of his creations of pencil and brush. Cuban scenes also were favorites with him. He was a member of the National Academy of Design, and, in addition to his paintings, he attained much success at sculpture and as author of several books on western life. He studied at Yale and later in New York.

TEST OF CIVIL SERVICE ACT

PROMOTION OR PLACE FOR A PARTY FRIEND?

Interest in Succession to Office of Provincial As- sessor.

There is a good deal of interest being taken at the parliament building in the vacancy which will soon arise in the office of provincial assessor, as to whether the government will follow the spirit of the new civil service act and fill the office by promotion or bring in some one from outside.

J. K. Worsfold, whom falling health has compelled to tender his resignation of an office which he filled to general satisfaction, will be retiring as soon as the cabinet acts on his letter. The matter was taken up before the ministers separated for Christmas, but was allowed to lie over. It is likely that nothing will be done until the superannuation act has been passed, when Mr. Worsfold will be retired on allowance.

There is a rumor that instead of promoting officials now in the service, party services will be rewarded by appointment to this office, which carries a salary of \$1,800 now, a sum which will be increased considerably under the new act. Rumor even goes so far as to mention the names of two or three gentlemen who rendered good service to the government during the recent campaign.

This is the first opportunity which has arisen since the act was passed last session to prove whether the government is in earnest in its desire to recognize merit and faithful service on the part of civil servants.

NEW AUTO RECORD.

Barney Oldfield Sets New Time for Fifteen Miles on Circular Track.

Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—Barney Oldfield established a new world's record for fifteen miles on a circular track yesterday at Ascot Park. Driving his 120 horsepower Benz racer, Oldfield went against the record of 13.57, made by Ralph de Palma in a Fiat Cyclone at Grand Rapids, Mich., and succeeded in clipping 14.4 seconds from the record. Oldfield's time for the fifteen miles was 13:42 1/5. His fastest mile was in 52.3-5 seconds.

The fastest mile made yesterday was done in Oldfield's try for the world's record in which he failed to set a new mark. His time was 52 2/5 seconds.

Oldfield was an easy winner in the five-mile race with Ben Kercher, driving a Daracq, his time being 4:47.

FATAL RESULT OF QUARREL.

Milton, Ont., Dec. 27.—Wm. Hilson, who kept a boarding house at the time, was slain, it is said as a result, it is claimed, of a fight in his house on December 26th. It is alleged the trouble started over a game of cards among some of the boarders. Hilson interfered and in the fracas which followed was thrown against the wall with such violence that he was badly cut about the head and lost a large quantity of blood.

HOME RULERS ARE NOT SATISFIED

ASQUITH'S STATEMENT IS TOO INDEFINITE

Irish Leaders Regard Condition Imposed by Premier With Suspicion.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Dublin, Dec. 27.—It is apparent to-day that Ireland is not entirely satisfied with what the Liberal party through its leader, Premier Asquith, has promised in the way of Home Rule for this island. In a speech at Albert Hall, London, on December 16th, opening his campaign, the Premier declared that the solution of the Irish problem could be found only in the adoption of a policy "which, while explicitly safeguarding the supreme authority of the Imperial parliament, will set up in Ireland a system of full self-government in regard to purely Irish affairs."

The Irish leaders regard the condition imposed in this statement with suspicion. The continued and unsuccessful supremacy of the Imperial parliament, they urge, means that Ireland would have little or no voice in foreign, colonial, or financial affairs.

It is believed here that the construction that may be placed upon the Premier's declaration may be used as boomerang campaign material by his opponents and the more rabid Home Rule partisans profess to see in it no further step toward the fulfillment of their desires.

BUGGY RUN DOWN BY MAIL TRAIN

Man and Two Children Are In- jured and One May Not Recover

(Times Leased Wire.)
Spokane, Wash., Dec. 27.—A special from Odessa, Wash., says: "The eastbound Great Northern mail train struck the buggy of John Schinke on Sunday, seriously injuring John Roguski and Ruth and Talbert Schinke, aged 9 and 8 respectively, the latter two children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Schinke, of Odessa. The accident occurred at a crossing just east of the station, where warehouses obstruct the view of the track for several blocks.

The horse made a dash and got out of the way, but the buggy was broken into splinters and the occupants thrown upon the engine, where they remained until the train was stopped and brought back to the depot.

The little girl has not regained consciousness, and but little hope is had for her recovery. The driver was badly hurt, his skull being fractured and practically split open on the right side.

FIVE HUNDRED PERISH IN FLOODS

SUFFERING IN DEVASTATED DISTRICTS IN SPAIN

Serious Havoc Also Wrought
in Portugal—Aid for Des-
titute

(Times Leased Wire.)
Madrid, Dec. 27.—Incomplete returns to-day from the flood-swept provinces of Spain indicate that the minimum death list is from five to six hundred. There is a possibility that the complete story will greatly swell this number.

This distress and suffering is intensified by the cold weather. Many towns cannot be reached on account of the damage to the railroads.

Reports received to-day say that the banks of the Guadalquivir river are strewn with corpses.

The heavy losses of live stock and the damage to the crops will necessitate the importation of food stuffs as well as stock.

Dispatches from Portugal say that the damage there is almost as heavy as in Spain.

King Manuel of Portugal has assumed personal control of the flood district.

The cabinet has decided to grant financial relief to sufferers.

Lights Swept to Sea.
London, Dec. 27.—Dispatches to-day from Orpoto, Portugal, say that in addition to several steamers previously reported aground in the river in dangerous positions, one traveler has disappeared with all of the lights and barges have been swept to sea.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Chatham Boy Is Shot While Hunting Rabbits.

(Special to the Times.)
Chatham, Ont., Dec. 27.—Albert Miller, 11 years old, was shot and almost instantly killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hand of Wm. McNorgan, on Christmas morning. Miller, his brother, William, and McNorgan were on their way to hunt rabbits when in crossing a ditch William Miller and McNorgan fell, and the gun was discharged. The bullet hit Albert Miller with fatal effect.

CAR INSPECTOR CRUSHED TO DEATH

Canadian Northern Employee Killed in Yard at Win- nipeg.

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—Walter Doskoeh, car inspector in the employ of the Canadian Northern railways, was crushed to death under the wheels of a freight car in the Canadian Northern yards last night. There was no witness of the accident, and the man was dead when discovered lying on the tracks. He had apparently fallen when crossing the tracks and had been caught by a train of cars which was backed on to a siding.

The deceased was 35 years of age and leaves a wife and two children.

FARMERS PROSPEROUS.

Calgary, Dec. 27.—The prosperity of the farmers resulting from the 1909 crops and increases in the values of their holdings is evidenced by the Christmas business of Calgary merchants. Another evidence of prosperity comes in the marked improvement in real estate, both city and farming property being in great demand. This is especially significant in view of the fact that this is generally conceded to be the slack season in real estate circles.

PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL FAIR

Committee Formed at San Francisco to Prepare for Exposition.

(Times Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27.—Men prominent in business, finance and the professions are numbered on the committee of 200, announced to-day as the ways and means body that will have charge of the Panama-Pacific international exposition to be held in San Francisco on the completion of the Panama canal.

This committee will be resolved into sub-committees at an early date, and the matter of publicity, the participation of other nations and states and federal participation will be taken up.

OVER FIFTY HORSES, BURNED.

New York, Dec. 27.—More than fifty horses were burned to death and two firemen were overcome during a fire in a four-story stable in East 86th street. The loss is about \$25,000.

STORM SWEEPS EASTERN STATES

OVER SCORE OF PERSONS LOSE LIVES

Two Thousand Made Homeless
by Tidal Wave—Blizzard
Now Raging.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Boston, Dec. 27.—News filtering slowly into Boston to-day over wrecked wires, apparently make it certain that at least a dozen lives have been lost and property damage amounting to more than \$1,000,000 has resulted from the heavy snow and winds which prevailed throughout New England on Christmas Day and yesterday.

Over 2,000 persons are homeless to-day at Chelsea as the result of the tidal wave which swept that town and drowned Cornelius Harkins and his wife in their bed, Michael Callahan, an aged man, died of the shock while being taken from the second story of his flooded home. Half-a-dozen others are missing and are believed to be drowned.

It is impossible as yet to estimate the loss along the coast. From Portland down to Rhode Island every coast town has a tale of ruin. Many of these places have not been heard from at all as yet on account of the crippled condition of the wires.

Fourteen Perish in New York.
New York, Dec. 27.—It was estimated to-day that 14 persons lost their lives as the result of the blizzard that has swept New York since Christmas Day. The storm swept down upon the city from the northeast. At times the gale registered a velocity of 60 miles an hour.

On the east side the suffering was intense. Practically all the deaths reported to have occurred in the city were in this district. Charity organizations are finding it impossible to care for even a small proportion of the destitute.

As fast as delayed traffic conditions will permit food, fuel and clothing are being taken to the tenement district on the East Side, where the conditions are most acute. It is certain that many lives have been saved by the ministrations of representatives of various societies.

Trains from the south and west have been delayed many hours by the storm, and local traffic is demoralized. River craft suffered severely from the storm, and comparatively few vessels are moving to-day.

Suffering in Chicago.
Chicago, Dec. 27.—Street car traffic was partially resumed to-day after the complete tie-up due to the blizzard that swept the city for two days, blowing down wires and covering the tracks with ice and sleet.

The railroads are still badly crippled, and it is doubtful if train schedules will be in order for several days. All of the overland mails from the west are from 5 to 25 hours late, many of the trains being snowbound at points outside of the city.

Suffering among the poor is said to be great, and many charitable organizations are called upon for financial aid. No deaths have been reported.

STREET CAR PLUNGES OVER EMBANKMENT

Falls Into River and Conductor and Passenger Are Crush- ed to Death.

(Times Leased Wire.)
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—Two men are dead and half a million dollars' worth of property has been destroyed as the result of the blizzard that has been raging here for two days past. Wires are down and street car and railroad traffic demoralized.

The wind overturned frame structures and telegraph poles. Plate glass windows were smashed and store signs blown down to the pavement.

Conductor Donovan and a passenger named Michael Morton were killed when a street car in charge of Donovan plunged over an embankment into the Nagatuck river. The car was proceeding slowly on one of the suburban lines when an ice-clogged switch failed to work, and the car turned over, rolling down the steep embankment into the water. Donovan and Morton were crushed to death.

SEVENTY MILLIONS INVOLVED.

Merger of Chicago Surface and Elevated Lines Proposed.
Chicago, Dec. 27.—All of J. Pierpont Morgan's Chicago traction interests have been purchased by a Chicago company, according to an announcement made here. The deal involves more than \$70,000,000, and is said to contemplate a merger of all surface and elevated lines under the name of the Chicago Connecting Railway.

RUSSIA'S NAVY.

Defense Committee of Duma Rejects Credit for Proposed New Battleships.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The national defense committee of the Duma has rejected by a large majority the credit for new battleships.

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KILLED BY ENGINE.

Northern Pacific Dining Car Conductor Meets Death in Yard at Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—J. W. Birrell, a dining car conductor of the Northern Pacific, was struck and almost instantly killed by a Great Northern switch engine in the station yards of the Union depot last night.

He was thrown to the rails and his left leg cut off, but the blow from the cylinder head, which crushed his skull,

is believed to be the direct cause of his death. Birrell, who was a large man weighing over 200 pounds, hailed from some city of eastern Canada, as yet unknown to the coroner.

THREE REPORTED KILLED.

Seymour, Ind., Dec. 27.—F. P. Walls, fireman Hethorn and Bruckman Lee are reported to have been killed to-day when two freight trains met head-on at a curve near Stebbinsville. Details of the wreck are lacking at the office of the railroad company here.

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EXPLOSION ON OIL TANK STEAMER

Three Men Are Injured and One Will Probably Die.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Vallejo, Cal., Dec. 27.—Three men, one dying and two seriously burned, were brought to this city to-day and placed in the Downing hospital as the result of an explosion on board the oil tank steamer Roma at Oleum late yesterday.

The dying man is Manuel Silva. The two seriously burned victims are Lewis Tyler and Sam Knutson. The men were burned when an electric light that they had lowered into the hold of the steamer exploded and ignited oil gas which filled the tank of the Roma.

BROKAW DIVORCE SUIT.

Millionaire Defendant Now Declares He Does Not Want Reconciliation With Wife.

Misela, N. Y., Dec. 27.—W. Gould Brokaw, the millionaire, who is defending a suit for divorce and alimony brought by his wife, Mary Blair Brokaw, to-day changed his mind again. He announced to the court from the stand to-day that he doesn't want a reconciliation with his wife.

When pressed for a reason for his change of mind, Brokaw shrugged his shoulders and said: "Oh, something I heard the other night." He refused to say what it was. Brokaw announced last Thursday that he would make it up with his wife if she would agree to make no more accusations against him regarding his alleged conduct with other women. Mrs. Brokaw answered next day with the statement that she didn't care to go back to her husband.

MAYORALTY CONTESTS.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Charles Hopewell was re-elected mayor of Ottawa to-day by acclamation. For the board of control the following were nominated: Controller, Hasty, Champagne and Davidson, Messrs. Little, Draper, Robert Hill, McGrath, Parent and Hinchey.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 27.—Mayor MacLaren was re-elected to-day, T. J. Stewart, M. P., and Alderman Hopkins dropping out of the contest. Kingston, Dec. 27.—Mayor Couper was re-elected to-day for a second term.

FOUND DROWNED

(Special to the Times.)

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 27.—William Zaro, a farmer of Townsend township, was found in Waterford pond on Christmas evening after he had been missing a week.

DEATH OF FORMER M. P. F.

(Special to the Times.)

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 27.—Charles Lamarche, former M. P. F., dropped dead while visiting his daughter, Mrs. Foster Shields, at Sudbury, on Saturday night. He was 79 years old.

GEORGIAN BAY CANAL.

(Special to the Times.)

London, Dec. 27.—Sir Robert Perks leaves for Canada early next year to devote his undivided attention to the Georgian Bay canal. He estimates the cost at \$20,000,000 or \$30,000,000.

DEATH ROLL OF STORM INCREASES

FIFTY PERSONS PERISH

IN EASTERN STATES

Property Loss Estimated at \$10,000,000—Suffering Among Poor.

The property loss on Saturday and Sunday in the blizzard that swept the Eastern and New England states is estimated at \$10,000,000. At least fifty lives were lost, due directly or indirectly to the storm. Trains in Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts and New England are seriously delayed by drifts. Freight traffic is practically abandoned. Wire communication is wrecked throughout the storm belt. Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Pittsburgh are seriously inconvenienced by delayed street car traffic. Further snow and wind, though not so violent as yesterday, are in sight, according to the weather bureau.

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 27.—This city to-day is face to face with the prospect of being utterly without light, heat and transportation facilities as the result of the blizzards that have been sweeping this section for the last two days.

Officials of the local electric companies that supply the city with light, announced to-day that within 24 hours its supply of fuel would be exhausted, unless traffic conditions, demoralized by the storm, are restored so that more fuel may be rushed to Rockford. All trains into the city are snow-bound. Railroad officials declared that every means is being exhausted to relieve the blockade so that fuel may be brought from Chicago and other places. (See also Page 1.)

TURN ATTENTION TO METROPOLIS

LIBERAL LEADERS TO SPEAK IN LONDON

Elections in Number of Boroughs Will Take Place on January 15th.

(Special to the Times.)

London, Dec. 27.—The result of the issuing of the writs for the general elections on January 10th will be that a great many of the borough pollings will take place on Saturday, January 15th. The Conservatives hoped that the first elections would be on January 14th, but excepting in a few cases, when a writ is received before sunset on the tenth, an election on the fourteenth would be impossible. After the results of the pollings on January 15th are announced a fair guess can be made as to how the elections are going.

The Liberals recognize that London is not certain, so their leaders will address meetings there next week. Mr. Gerald Balfour is not yet a candidate, and there is rumor that he has been unable to find a safe seat. Efforts to induce two Tory candidates in East Marblebone to retire in favor of Mr. Balfour have been unsuccessful. The Unionists claim that they have a good chance of winning in the north of London and the southeast, and in parts of the east, which have not been touched by the influence of Labor members. The split between Liberal and Labor members in Bow, Bromley, Shorelditch and North and Central Hackney gives the Tories hope of success. The Tories also claim Mile End. The scuffling of the two conservative candidates in Marblebone, the Unionists' fear, will lead to disaster.

NO SETTLEMENT.

Efforts to End Strike of Switchmen Prove Futile.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 27.—The leaders of the switchmen's strike, after leaving the office of Governor Eberhardt, where arbitration looking toward the settlement of the strike had been in progress, announced to-day that the negotiations again had been broken off. The governor later admitted that his efforts to bring about peace through a conference had proved futile.

The labor leaders, after leaving the governor's office, immediately went into conference at Foley's hotel. It is generally believed that they will attempt to call a "secondary" strike, calling out all members of the departments affiliated with the American Federation, who number 26,000 men in the Northwest.

KING LEOPOLD'S WILL.

Report That Daughters Will Abandon Suit in Return For \$3,000,000.

London, Dec. 27.—It was reported to-day that a compromise has been reached whereby the daughters of the late King Leopold of Belgium will abandon the proposed suits against the King's will, and will receive 4,000,000 francs (\$8,000,000) instead of the 15,000,000 francs left them by the instrument.

Threats of contesting the suit were rumored to have been made following the announcement that Leopold had left the greater part of his property to the Baroness Vaughn, whom he married in Italy.

BIG INFLUX OF SETTLERS

G. S. DENNIS SPEAKS

OF COLONIZATION WORK

C. P. R. Land Commissioner in City on a Brief Visit.

J. S. Dennis, C.P.R. land commissioner, is in the city, a guest at the Empress hotel. Mr. Dennis is here on some departmental business and returns to the Mainland this morning. To the Times to-day Mr. Dennis said that the feature of the year's business in his department has been the phenomenal influx of settlers from the United States and the great quantity of land sold to these home seekers. To give an idea of the immensity of the business being done by the company in disposing of its irrigated land in Alberta, Mr. Dennis mentioned that the receipts at the Calgary office for the last six months have averaged \$1,000,000 per month. Settlers were pouring into Western Canada at a very rapid rate, and there was every indication that the influx next year would assume even greater dimensions.

As indicating at once the immensity of the Canadian West and the huge problem of peopling so vast a land, Mr. Dennis mentioned that while the company have thus far disposed of a little over 11,000 acres of irrigated land, they have over two million acres left. The company also owns alternate blocks of land in another district of Alberta, and this, with the irrigated section, makes about four million acres of land, which the company has yet to dispose of.

The C. P. R. continued Mr. Dennis, is building up an elaborate system of colonization bureaus in various parts of the world. The company has, for instance, over 1,000 agents in the United States who are doing special work on behalf of the land office in Canada. These agents visit sections of the country likely to supply desirable settlers and give the latter every information regarding conditions in the Dominion. The company has about 250 agents in England and shortly will have a large number also in other portions of Europe.

Mr. Dennis has no connection now with the administration of C. P. R. lands on Vancouver island, and therefore knew nothing about local colonization projects. Mr. Marpole is in charge of the lands within the E. & N. lands on Vancouver island, and during the past season the company had expended a considerable sum of money in advertising British Columbia in the United States. The work was done mainly as an experiment and the results were very satisfactory. A very large number of inquiries were received from prospective settlers but the company experienced difficulty in locating people owing to the fact that there is little land available for colonization. The C. P. R. is clearing a tract of land at Jaffray in East Kootenay, with the idea of closely estimating what it will cost to clear large tracts. Stumping machinery is being used and it is hoped that as a result of the experiment some scheme may be formulated which will result in opening up larger tracts for settlement than are at present available.

Mr. Dennis said he noted signs of great progress both at Vancouver and Victoria since his last visit. He was certain that a great future awaited both places. In this connection he mentioned the Panama canal, which when completed in a few years would entirely alter the problem of transportation in this section of the world. There would be developments of a tremendous nature on the opening of that waterway connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and the growth and development of the ports on the British seaboard, which would have the handling of ocean-borne traffic, would be equally tremendous.

DEATH OF A. C. POPHAM.

Member of Local Business Firm Passed Away on Saturday.

The death occurred on Saturday last of Arthur Charles Popham. Deceased was born in Devonshire, Eng., and was 48 years of age. He was a baker by trade and was a member of the firm of Popham Bros., Victoria.

The deceased had been a resident of Victoria for about twelve years. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of his brother, F. J. Popham, Mary street, Victoria, West.

SCHOONER AND TWELVE MEN PROBABLY LOST

The Doris Palmer Believed to Have Foundered off Massachusetts Coast.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Boston, Mass., Dec. 27.—The belief is general here that the four-masted schooner Davis Palmer, which sailed from Newport, N. H., for Boston on December 21st, sank with Captain Keown and eleven sailors during the terrific Christmas day storm off the Massachusetts coast.

A wreck resembling the Palmer was sighted off Point Allerton on Harding's ledge this afternoon. From its position, with hull submerged, the name of the stranded vessel could not be made out. But its outline resembles those of the missing "collie".

Many vessels arrived here to-day relieving the anxiety felt for their safety since the storm struck the coast, but the safety of the Cunarder Sylvia and the Warren liner Schemer, both from Liverpool, is questioned. The liner Arkansas and Lexington from Philadelphia, and the Ontario from Norfolk, are still overdue.

The death occurred on Sunday last at the isolation hospital of Elmido Palmero, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palmero. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the hospital, interment being made in Ross Bay cemetery.

BORN.

KIRKENDALE—On Dec. 26th, the wife of Capt. Kirkendale, of a daughter. BRADFORD—At 212 Work street, Victoria, on Christmas Day, the wife of J. J. Bradford, of a daughter (Christine Mary).

SCHOLEFIELD—On the 26th inst., the wife of Ethelbert O. Schofield, provincial librarian, 99 Pemberton road, of a son.

MARRIED.

CUPPAGE-READE—At the Reformed Episcopal church, Victoria, B. C., by the Rev. T. W. Gladstone, on Christmas Day, Graydon William Vernon Cuppage, of Mount Edwards, County Antrim, Ireland, to Edith Madeleine, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Reade, and granddaughter of the late William Harrington Reade, of Ipswich, Oxfordshire, England, and of the late Lt.-Colonel Colman, of H. M. Imperial Army.

HUTCHISON-CROFT—On December 26th, at St. Paul's Presbyterian church, by the Rev. P. MacRae, Mr. Daniel C. Hutchison, of this city, and Miss Edie Croft, youngest daughter of Mrs. Croft, Discovery Island.

DIED.

POPHAM—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 25th instant, Arthur Charles Popham, a native of Devonshire, England, aged 48 years. The funeral will take place from the residence of his brother, Mr. F. J. Popham, Mary street, Victoria, West, on Tuesday, Dec. 28th, at 2:30. Friends please accept this intimation.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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WANTED—To purchase, 13x130 feet on the north side of Pandora street, between Blanchard and Vancouver streets, from owners of property. Address Toronto, care of Victoria Times Publishing Co. 427

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PARTY LEAVING TOWN wishes to dispose of furniture by private sale. Apply Mrs. Holloway, 124 Pender street. 427

LAUNDRY FOR SALE—On Simcoe street, block 23, lot 28, triangle, 200 sq. ft. price \$4,000. Apply 170 Government St. 427

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SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS OF CAMPAIGN

Chamberlain Writes on Tariff Reform—John Burns Makes Protest.

London, Dec. 27.—At present there are not wanting signs that the ministerialists, from the Premier and the Chancellor of the Exchequer downwards, are quite satisfied with the progress of the election fight. But, of course, a vigorous New Year campaign by the Conservatives, with Mr. Balfour leading, may change their confident demeanor.

It is officially stated that the writs will now issue from the Crown Office on January 10th, thus corresponding with 1906, and giving the Radicals what they claim to be the advantage of a Saturday poll in the earlier constituencies.

Mr. Chamberlain is making up for his enforced silence by a series of telling letters, in one of which he says: "I do not find any difficulty in answering those who profess to believe that tariff reform will make food dearer. In Germany, if it has not raised the cost of living, I do not see why it should do so in this country. On the other hand, we may arrange matters so that goods imported from raw materials and not finished manufactures."

At Newport, Lord Tennyson read a letter from Mr. Chamberlain, stating he hoped this election would be the end of the system which had made possible all we complain of, especially unemployment.

Lord Milner, speaking at Cardiff, said the present duty of the people was to consider the relative position of both parties and disentangle it from irrelevant matter, which had been raised to the prejudice of one party. People had to consider the financial proposals of the government against what was really the true interests of the country.

John Burns, speaking at Nine Elms, complained that the placards and cartoons of Unionists were scandalous. They were issued in the interests of the food taxer and trusts, which would get a footing through the tariff and bring about the moral degradation of people as well as political corruption. It was monstrous that London should be subjected to grotesque exaggerations which hid the facts from the people.

Mr. Macnamara declared in a speech that the Conservative party had lured itself in for a record defeat. So far as he could see they knew it, they knew they could not face the constitutionalism raised by Lord Lansdowne's motion, and they therefore rushed frankly from one expedient to another.

The result of a plebiscite taken at Gatheshead in order to prevent a three-cornered contest was as follows: 19,133 post cards were sent out and 7,101 were returned, the result being Elveston, Liberal, 2,617; Jönson, Labor, 2,325; Doyle, Unionist, 1,659.

BURGLARS BUSY AT VANCOUVER

Two Safes Blown Open With Nitro-Glycerine—Robbers Flee Without Booty.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—Two safes in the city were blown open, with nitro-glycerine early Saturday morning, but so far as is known, not a single dollar was taken by the burglars, although in both instances bills were lying within ready reach. The first case was at the office of

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the Chew Lumber Company, at the corner of Sixth avenue and Laurel street. About 3 o'clock in the morning Watchman Matthews, while on his rounds through the yards, heard a shot, apparently in the direction of the office. He ran to the scene and saw three men running down the street. They were too far away for apprehension, so he telephoned the police. Detectives worked on the affair for hours, but the men had got safely away. The contents of the safe were disturbed, but none of the money had been taken, although there was a considerable amount of it there in view. The cracksmen were doubtless frightened by the rapid approach of the watchman when the shot went off. The other safe which was cracked was that in the office of the Cascade woodyard on False Creek. This burglary happened during the same night. There were valuable papers and a considerable quantity of cash in the safe, but nothing was pilfered.

WRECK CAUSED BY BROKEN RAIL

List of Those Injured in Accident on C. P. R. Near Chapleau.

Fort William, Dec. 27.—Latest reports show that 31 persons were injured when part of the Toronto-Winnipeg express was derailed thirty-seven miles west of Chapleau. The cause, as far as yet ascertained, was a broken rail, the engine having passed over safely. Among the injured were: Mr. Comstock, aged 32, Norwood, Ont., scalp injured, not serious. Geo. Karzen, aged 46, Millbrook, Ont., scalp wound, not serious. Theo. Mogaine, aged 59, Amsterdam, N. Y., back injured, not serious. James Gilmore, aged 73, 95 Borden street, Toronto, shoulder injured. Miss Gilmore, 95 Borden street, Toronto, back injured, not serious. Mrs. Arthur Bruce, Francis, Sask., ankle sprained, not serious. H. Ingram, locomotive foreman, C. P. R., Nakusp, B. C., cut over eye and bruised jaw, not serious. Mrs. T. Nelson, Pilot Mount, Man., arm injured, not serious. E. Prior, Emerson, Man., finger nail torn off. D. A. McLean, Moosomin, Sask., internal injuries. Mrs. Lewis Melon, Halbrite, Sask., internal injuries. Mrs. Hugh McMahon, Newdale, back

and side injured, probably serious. C. Ward, 235 Fenton street, Fort William, scalp injured, not serious. Mrs. G. H. Laing, 134 Ossington street, Toronto, right side bruised. B. Campbell, aged 38, Leithbridge, Alta., head slightly cut, not serious. Mrs. W. McElroy, age 28, Frohisher, Sask., neck and shoulder hurt, not serious. Mrs. D. W. Turnbull, 250 Austin street, Winnipeg, badly shaken up. Mrs. S. Dickson, age 35, 117 Denmar street, Winnipeg, hurt about body pretty badly. Mrs. E. Saunders, age 35, Crossfield, Alta., leg hurt, badly. Mrs. A. Gow, age 30, Carberry, Man., back hurt, not serious. J. H. Comstock, age 38, Norwood, Ont., head cut slightly. Miss McMahon, head slightly cut, side hurt, not serious. George Vail, age 35, Ovan, Sask., back sprained, not serious. Mrs. J. D. Watson, age 31, Moose-jaw, Sask., hip hurt, not serious. Mrs. W. Glendenning, aged 30, Saske-

ton, Sask., badly shaken up. George Patterson, aged 30, arm hurt, not serious. Mrs. J. H. Towndale, age 25, bruised hand and wrist, not serious. Mrs. J. E. Millburn, age 29, Sellen

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of the British Admiralty seems to be persistently overlooked by the Toronto News.

It is strange, the variety of cases to which this "German menace" can be made to apply.

The Tories in Great Britain are working it overtime just now, but they need it.

It will hardly save them from the doom the noble lords have prepared for them.

What is the truth in regard to this alleged menace? We have it before us from an independent source.

The Scientific American, and bears out fully a statement made the other day regarding the ability of the British fleet to maintain the inviolability of the Empire.

The statement for the present year, says the Scientific American, which shows the relative standing of the navies on November 1st, possesses special interest because it gives an authoritative statement as to the present strength of the navies in ships of the "dreadnought" type.

A subject regarding which the public has been treated during the past few months to overmuch literature of a sensational and misleading character.

Of battleships of the "dreadnought" type, Great Britain has afloat and completed four, Germany two, and the United States two.

France, Japan, Russia, Italy, and Austria have not as yet completed a ship of the "dreadnought" type.

Of "dreadnoughts" under construction, Great Britain possesses seven, Germany six, the United States four, Japan two, Russia four, and Italy one.

France and Austria have no "dreadnoughts" under construction.

Of armored cruisers of the "Invincible" type, Great Britain possesses three, and has two under construction.

Germany has none completed, and three under construction; and Japan has one completed and one building.

Adding together the totals for ships armed entirely with big guns, both "dreadnoughts" and "Invincibles," we find that Great Britain has seven completed of 125,450 tons displacement.

Germany has two completed of 36,000 tons, and nine under construction of 182,000 tons.

The United States has two completed of 32,000 tons, and four under construction of 52,490 tons.

Japan has built one of 14,600 tons and is building three of 52,200 tons total displacement.

Russia has none completed and is building four of 52,000 tons total displacement.

Italy has none completed, and one of 18,500 tons under construction.

France and Austria have nothing either afloat or on the stocks of the all-big-gun type.

Of battleships of the first class, other than "dreadnoughts" (in which enumeration the navy department includes all battleships of about 10,000 tons displacement or over that are less than twenty years old, unless they have been reconstructed and re-armed since 1909).

Great Britain possesses forty-nine of 74,750 tons displacement; Germany, twenty-four of 282,424 tons; the United States, twenty-five of 334,146 tons.

France, seventeen of 215,270 tons; Japan, twelve of 171,593 tons; Russia, five of 164,000 tons; Italy, ten of 122,609 tons; and Austria, three of 31,800 tons.

Great Britain, Germany, the United States and Italy are building no battleships of this class, but France has six.

Of armored cruisers other than the "Invincible" type, Great Britain possesses thirty-five of 416,600 tons displacement; Germany, nine of 68,603 tons; the United States, twelve of 157,445 tons; France, twenty-one of 192,982 tons; Japan, eleven of 139,900 tons; Russia, seven of 70,200 tons; Italy, eight of 19,000 tons; and Austria, three of 18,300 tons.

In the class of torpedo-boat destroyers, Great Britain leads with 145, followed by Russia with 97, Germany with 79, Japan with 56, France with 56, the United States with 47, Italy with 17, and Austria with 6.

Great Britain has 20 torpedo boat-destroyers under construction, the United States 19, Germany 18, France 16, Japan 3, and Austria 5.

The following table gives the relative order of warship tonnage both at present and when all the ships now under construction are completed.

It will be noted that the only change in relative standing in the second list is that Germany will take the second position at present held by the United States.

Relative Order of Warship Tonnage. With All Vessels.

trieve a disastrous error than as a distinct challenge to the supremacy of the British or any other navy.

THE LORDS' GRIEVOUS ERROR.

Why should the forces of political reaction in Great Britain be disturbed in mind because in the face of real constitutional crisis, when a perilous precedent is sought to be established, the various wings and divisions of the armies of progress should unite and act in concert for the purpose of achieving a common end?

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Could anything else be expected than that all who profess the Liberal faith, although they may not all occupy the same ground, should sink their sectional opinions and advance in a common body to meet a common enemy?

There is nothing unusual in such a development. Precedents for it may be cited from the works of any of the historians.

When the moment had come for Wellington to strike the final blow at Waterloo, the command was for the whole army, which had been on the defensive all day, to advance.

That is the position of the Liberal forces in Great Britain to-day. They have been battered and hammered and hampered by the opposition for four years, and in some instances have shown evidence of disintegration from within.

But the lords by their actions have proved their determination to stem the tide of social and political progress by killing all measures deemed to be of fundamental importance, have aroused the true spirit of Liberalism in the hearts and the understanding of the British people and united the great body of the electors in a stern determination to uphold the threatened rights of the Commons.

Could anything else have been looked for under such conditions? When the liberties of the people are menaced, the natural thing is for all who value liberty and independence to unite against the menacing foe.

There is a rather surprising thing to note in connection with the present struggle in the old isles which people have led the world towards the great white light of political liberty and freedom.

That is that the Tory forces on the eve of battle are cleft asunder by several schisms. The leader of the party, Mr. Balfour, is not a convinced tariff-reformer.

In that respect he probably represents the inward conviction of a majority of Conservatives.

It is no trifling matter for a party of men of such settled convictions as the British Tories are, men who have been politically nurtured on free trade principles, to swallow their inherited and reasoned convictions and shout for protection.

Then a considerable number of Tory peers are convinced, and have publicly recorded their views, that the Lords made a serious mistake in rejecting the budget and placing in the hands of the government such an effective weapon with which to beat a resounding tattoo on unprotected heads.

The Liberal leaders are not hesitating to make the most out of the situation. No reverence for hereditary privileges ties the tongues of men like Premier Asquith, Chancellor Lloyd George, Burns, Churchill or Haldane.

Probably public opinion in this country may be that the Established Church of England is one factor which may be counted as a unit in support of the position of the lords.

Such is not the case. If one may be considered safe in founding an opinion on the expressions of the leading Church paper of the United Kingdom, there is no question as to the weight of authority exercised in Anglican circles by the Church Times.

It has a wide circulation and as wide an influence. The speeches of the Archbishop of York and of the Bishop of Hereford have already been quoted. They were considered of sufficient importance to telegraph across the ocean.

We shall give a portion of the observations of the Church Times on the action of the Lords, which the organ treats convincingly from a constitutional point of view.

"The House of Lords, theoretically considered, is a rather absurd institution. No inventor of Constitutions would dream of anything so fantastic; it is an odd survival from a state of things long past, and it does not even represent what was logically coherent in its original formation.

It is not an assembly of magistrates, but a fortuitous collection of individuals. The majority of its members are obscure persons without weight or authority. The methods by which it is recruited are often suspicious, and sometimes scandalous. It should be overwhelmed with ridicule. But nothing of the kind happens. On the contrary, this theoretically absurd institution has real power, real influence and authority in the country; a power, influence, and authority which we see steadily increasing. Among all the anomalies of English politics this seems to be the most conspicuous.

The weight and influence of the House have been sufficiently evident at all times. Not least are they proved by the futile attempts to weaken them. As long ago as the year 1834 Mr. Gladstone sounded the trumpet for an attack. Nothing came of it. Three years ago the House of Commons, on the motion of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, adopted a resolution involving a specific threat. Nothing further has been heard of it. The House of Lords

has taken charge of government bills and has modified them out of recognition; some have been lost in consequence, some have been passed in a chastened spirit of compromise, others, again, have been summarily rejected. And now, to crown all, the House of Lords has refused to pass the Finance bill of the year—has, in effect, refused Supply."

The House of Commons might well resolve, in historic words, that the power of the House of Lords has increased, is increasing, and ought to be diminished."

What Other People Think

WHARFAGE FACILITIES.

To the Editor.—Considering the question of docking vessels, did it ever strike Victorians that a canal might be excavated from the sea to the inner harbor via James street, with wharves on each side, it might seem a huge undertaking, but would cost less than the amount spent in deepening and clearing what is called Victoria harbor.

Less than one mile of a canal, with any depth of water, it may look visionary, so did the "Victoria" require something better than a winding, narrow channel into, at best, a mud hole.

We are in the age of large undertakings. "Victoria" requires something better than a winding, narrow channel into, at best, a mud hole.

"It is the greatest political moment in the lifetime of anyone born since 1832." —Lord Rosebery.

"It is a great honor to be elected to the House of Commons." —Lord Rosebery.

"I'm agin'—I'm agin'—Linnin' town, my Lord, as lives on the Hill. And 'e leaves to-day, the folks do say, to vote 'gainst the Budget Bill; 't be now a score of years or more since 'e's left 'is high walled seat. But 'e's goin' away, for 'e'll to pay and the Welshman must be beat."

It do seem queer, 'is leavin' 'ere, and 'is doctorin' for the gout. For 'twen' countin' rents in pounds and shillings 'e's never gone much about. 'is the Welshman's scheme that 'is spoiled 'is dream, 'is somethin' about the land. So 'e's off, my Lord, to save 'is 'ard from the bloomin' upstart's 'and."

They be needin' gold for the fleet 'is 'ard, and they only ask what's fair, but 'is 'ard is 'is 'ardly air ain't wantin' to pay 'is share. Well, I don't know much about law and such, but 'is 'ard 'as to say: If the people's right, when it comes to fight my Lord will 'ave to pay."

Lor' bless the fleet, she's 'ard to beat, and she allus 'as been our pride, and 'is 'ard will 'ave all 'is 'ard dear if that will 'ave 'is 'ard dear. 'is 'ard 'as 'is 'ard, as she used to be, the Queen of the world-wide main. With 'er 'ard 'as and 'ard 'ard 'ard and honor without a stain."

'T's twenty 'ard since the 'ouse of Peers 'as been 'ard, and 'is 'ard 'as 'is 'ard. That the people's will 'is kind can kill and do it all in a night. 'E 'as 'ard been altered like 'is 'ard 'ard since the days of Gladstone's bill; but 'is 'ard 'as 'is 'ard, 'is they call George will win, and 'is 'ard 'as 'is 'ard. T. A. BROWNIE, Author "The White Plague" and other.

Ottawa, December 1st, 1909.

RESCUES FIVE FROM BURNING BUILDING

Heroic Laborer Carries Man and Women From Lodging House.

(Times Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27.—Terry Bowland, a laborer, is the hero in the household of Walter McDonald to-day, and the family whom he rescued from a burning lodging house here is joined by two other lodgers in proclaiming his bravery.

Bowland climbed a rain pipe, when all means of escape was cut off, soon after the fire broke out, took little 3-year-old Eugene McDonald from the arms of his father and slid with him to safety. Then he got a ladder and helped out McDonald and his wife after the firemen had despaired of their rescue.

At the fear of the house two unknown women were frantically appealing for help from an open window and were about to leap to the street below when Bowland appeared with his ladder. He warned them to stay where they were and was soon going to their rescue. He carried one of the fainting women to the sidewalk in safety, and was within 12 feet of the bottom with the other when the ladder broke and Bowland and his burden were precipitated to the pavement. They landed on a bundle of clothes that had been thrown from the window by the woman and were unhurt.

The explosion of a gas stove in the kitchen was the cause of the fire which only partially destroyed the building.

The funeral of the late Wong Quong Chong took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors. Interment was made in the Chinese cemetery, Fort Bay, and the usual ceremonies were conducted.

The reconstructed Brackman-Ker mills at the outer wharf will shortly be ready for business, the contractor, George Bishop, having about finished his job. The new building which replaces the one recently destroyed by fire is much more commodious than the old one, and is, besides, a much more substantial structure.

PERSONAL

Dr. Evans and Miss Buzzard, who have been spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. F. G. Richards, 424 Fort Street, returned to Seattle by last night's Princess.

Dr. E. C. Richards, son of Sheriff Richards, left for Seattle by the Princess Charlotte last night, after spending the Christmas holidays at home.

ELIAS CASTLEY DIED FROM INJURIES

Respected Resident of Duncan Passed Away at Hospital on Christmas Day.

As the result of an accident which befell him last week, Elias Castley, of Duncan, passed away at St. Joseph's hospital on Christmas morning.

He was employed by the B. C. Telephone Company for several years as a line-man, making his home at Duncan.

While at work on the telephone line near Duncan a few days ago a defective rope caused a pole to fall, which badly crushed him. He was immediately brought to Victoria on the train and an operation performed. It was, however, impossible to save his life, he having sustained internal injuries.

Decceased was born in Westmoreland, England, and was in his 8th year. He was well known both in this city and in Duncan, and his loss will be sorely felt by his numerous friends.

The late Mr. Castley was a valued member of the L.O.O.F. at Duncan, where he was secretary of the lodge.

The remains were forwarded yesterday morning by the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company to Duncan for interment. There was a large turn out from the local lodges of Odd Fellows, who accompanied the remains from the factory to the B. N. station. Two brothers accompanied the remains. The pallbearers were as follows: P. A. McLean, J. Wilby, F. Davey, A. Henderson, W. J. Wriglesworth and J. Dillabough.

FLIGHT OF FORMER PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA

It is Believed Zelaya Will Go to Belgium After Visiting Mexico.

(Times Leased Wire.) Mexico City, Dec. 27.—The Mexican gunboat General Guerrero, with former President Zelaya on board, arrived off Salina Cruz last night. The vessel did not attempt to enter the harbor, but anchored outside.

That Zelaya intends to go eventually to Belgium was the belief expressed by Minister Castro, Nicaraguan representative in this city. He said the former president probably would, come direct to Mexico City, where he would doubtless be the guest of President Diaz, after which he would proceed to Belgium, his wife's native land.

Secret Understanding? Mexico City, Dec. 27.—In government circles it is reported to-day that the United States and Mexico had a full, but secret understanding concerning the flight from Nicaragua of former President Zelaya. Whether the two governments agreed upon permitting the former dictator to find refuge away from his turbulent country was equivalent to a self-imposed exile, is causing much discussion.

Another report has it that the United States may, in the future, take steps to bring Zelaya to task for the alleged indignities to which he subjected certain Americans in Nicaragua. The officials at the foreign office refuse to discuss the case.

SUFFRAGISTS LOSE

Judges Decide Against a Right of Entry to British House of Commons.

Sashes of green and maize—the colors of the suffragists—were very conspicuous in the law courts, London, one day recently, but they proved not to be badges of victory, three judges deciding very definitely against the contention on their part of a right of entry to the House of Commons.

When Mrs. Pankhurst and the Hon. Mrs. Haverfield were convicted, on July 8th upon the charges of resisting the police in execution of their duty outside the Houses of Parliament, a special case was stated by the Bow street magistrate. The ladies, who had been charged under section 2 of the Prevention of Crimes Act, 1885, had been ordered each to pay a fine of 15, or in default to undergo one month's imprisonment in the second division.

The judges of appeal were the Lord Chief Justice and Justices Channell and Coleridge.

Horace Avory, opposing the appeal, contended that, although there was an undoubted right in every subject of the King to present petitions to members of Parliament, there was no duty on a member of Parliament to receive such petition, nor was there any right in any subject to demand and receive a personal interview with either a minister of the Crown or not for the purpose of placing before him any views on political matters. When the appellants received a letter stating that the Prime Minister regretted that he could not receive the deputation they were not entitled when the police told them to go away to remain.

Lord Robert Cecil, appearing for Mrs. Haverfield, said the point was whether the appellants was guilty of resisting the police under the circumstances of the case. The police had made an order, based on the seasonal order of the House of Commons, that the officers should remove obstruction and afford free access to members to or from the House.

The Lord Chief Justice, in the course of his judgment, said that it was not necessary to deal with the question of the presentation of petitions to the King in person, because everybody agreed that at the present day it was to the House of Commons, through members of Parliament, and the petitions to the King through the Home Office.

The police having received orders which they were bound to obey, his lordship was of opinion, having regard to all the circumstances, that the

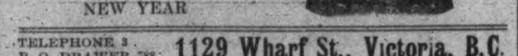
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lady had committed an offence against the statute, and was properly dealt with by the magistrate. Though there was the right to petition, the lady was breaking the law when she tried by force to enter the House of Commons. The appeal would, therefore, be dismissed with costs.

The other judges concurred.

PROBABLY MURDERED

Loveland, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Mystery surrounds the death of Lemuel Sunny-Tail, eight years of age, and his brother, Russell, a year younger, whose bodies were found in the ruins of the Sunny-Tail home which was destroyed by fire early to-day.

Each boy's skull was crushed. Their charred bodies were found near the spot where their bed had stood. The coroner is investigating the case.

BLOCK BURNS

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—An entire block of stores, banks and business offices at Alton, in the southern part of Manitoba, near the boundary line, in the centre of the Montmartre reserve, was destroyed by fire this morning.

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The members of the Victoria fire brigade presented Fire Chief Davis with a handsome cut-glass double ink stand on Christmas eve. The present will ornament the fire chief's desk in his private office for the future.

The secretary of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, Wm. Scowcroft, gratefully acknowledges the donation of \$21, the proceeds of a concert held at Sidney recently by the Sidney basketball club.

Arthur W. McCurdy and J. C. McIntosh each remembered that members of a newspaper office all enjoy a smoke. The staff of the Times was made happy at Christmas time with cigars by both of the gentlemen mentioned.

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A very handsome Christmas tree has been placed in position in the rotunda of the Empress hotel, preparatory to the grand ball to be held on the evening of Wednesday next. The tree has been decorated most beautifully under the superintendence of Mrs. H. Dallas Helmcken, and when illuminated with the hundreds of electric light bulbs of every color which are employed it presents a most beautiful appearance.

It is reported from New Westminster that Mable Severn, a 17-year-old girl, who recently gave the local police trouble in ascertaining her whereabouts is again in trouble. She has been placed in the reformatory at New Westminster, but escaped and took up with a Japanese restaurant keeper, Superintendent South, of the Children's Aid Society, does not believe that the society can do anything for the girl, who will be left for the police to deal with.

Some amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act will be necessary relative to the agreement between the city and the B. C. Electric Railway Company in respect to the Jordan River power scheme; and the city solicitor, at this evening's meeting of the City Council, will be asked to take the necessary steps towards securing the same. The amendments required will make it possible for the city to bind itself not to pass any by-laws to raise money to assist any competing concern, either by grant of money or bonus of any kind and not to enter into competition itself with the company for its system here.

Another great show will be given at the Pantages theatre this week, commencing to-day. Davis and Thornley, in one of the cleverest singing, dancing and skating acts yet to be seen in Victoria will be the feature act. These two people do a very fine lot of work on the skates. The Munoz Trio, a troupe of Japanese equilibristas, coming here from the big houses, Jack Dresner, a burlesque character comedian, does one of the funniest Scotch impersonations on the stage to-day. Fritz von Schroeder, a concert violinist, has played at the ground on the big circuits and comes to Pantages highly recommended. Arthur Ellwell has a fine new picture song, and the biograph will, without doubt, be very funny.

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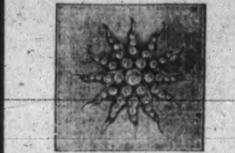
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Chief Langley reports that notwithstanding the fact that the population of the city is much greater than last year, and that, times being good, there was a general disposition to make merry to a greater degree than in previous seasons, the holidays passed with but few cases necessitating action on the part of the police. There were but few cases of drunkenness, all the circumstances considered, and there was little disorder amongst the crowds on the streets on Saturday night.

A half-dozen arrests for drunkenness were made on Saturday night, but the chief released the culprits on Sunday morning. A row occurred on Johnson street on Saturday evening and the ringleaders appeared in court this morning. They did not know how it happened, all being more or less confused as to the circumstances. They were convicted. Three were fined \$12 each and the fourth, who also assaulted a constable, was fined \$27.50. Three drunks were fined the usual sums and a "vag" was remanded until to-morrow.

The eighth annual gathering of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson took place on Christmas day as usual at their residence, "Glencraggan," Mt. Tolmie. A most enjoyable time was spent, when Scotch singing and dancing took place, which was much enjoyed by those present.

Mr. R. T. Fitzpatrick, of Fitzpatrick & O'Connell, left Saturday night on a buying trip, and will visit the markets of Toronto, Montreal and New York before returning.

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IMPORTANT BY-LAWS BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Water and School Loan Measures to Receive Consideration This Evening.

The ever-present water problem may again be debated at this evening's meeting of the City Council. Last Monday evening the city solicitors were instructed to prepare a by-law empowering the corporation to raise a loan of \$1,500,000 for the purpose of bringing water from Sooke Lake, the same to be submitted to the ratepayers at the forthcoming municipal elections. It is anticipated that the by-law will be ready for consideration to-night.

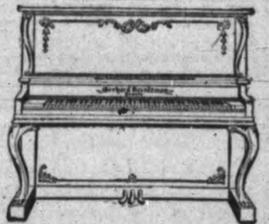
As several of the members of the board are of the opinion that the present is a most inopportune time to submit such measure to the judgment of the electorate, it is not improbable that an attempt will be made to-night to have the by-law stand over until the new council assume office. Ald. Henderson, however, who is a candidate for the majority, is a staunch advocate of the Sooke Lake scheme, and he will no doubt make every effort to arrange that the by-law be voted on at the coming elections.

The by-law to raise \$74,000 for school purposes, as requested by the board of school trustees, will also be introduced at this evening's meeting. There is every likelihood that it will be submitted at the forthcoming elections, as all the members of the board are agreed that more accommodation is needed for the public school children of the city. The sum of \$150,000 is required to purchase a site and erect thereon a new high school; \$14,000 for addition of four rooms to the Victoria West school and \$10,000 for a frame school at the corner of Bank street and Leighton road.

There will be no meeting of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Young People's Society this evening.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

DOMINION. H. Farrant, Vancouver; Jas. Townsend, Seattle; T. L. Longhurst, 19-Mile-Post; E. H. Johnston and wife, J. P. Taylor, Alex. Craig, Vancouver; Mrs. Antonio Tosa, Manzanillo, Mex.; Jno. Patterson, Seattle; W. Kuntz, A. Gibson, J. Osborn, Seattle; W. Newman, Vancouver; Walter Nimrod, Nanaimo; Joe. Smith, E. Robinson, D. L. McEneaney, Vancouver; Gardner and Golden, New York; Frank Markley, San Francisco; J. C. Tremaine, Jerry Hayes, New York; Marie Fitzgibbon, Chicago; Minnie Williams, New York; Mr.



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VICTORIA WEST DEFEAT A. O. F.

TWO PLAYERS FIGHT AND ARE SENT OFF

Play of Buxton and Bailey Responsible for Victory.

Victoria West administered a decisive defeat to the A. O. F. soccer team at Oak Bay on Saturday morning, winning the first game between the two teams in the Island league by 5 goals to 2.

The two men to whom the merit of victory lies are Buxton and Bailey, who between them did all the scoring, the former being responsible for three splendid goals, while Bailey, who scored both the others, did so from beautiful corner kicks placed with wonderful accuracy right in the goal mouth by Buxton.

Victoria West infringed the rules to the extent of four penalties, from which the A. O. F. was unable to score more than one goal, which Malcolm sent past Beane. The second A. O. F. goal came from a splendid cross shot from the foot of Pearson, which landed it with great judgment into the corner of the net.

The play was marked by a fight between Wright of Victoria West, and Clegg of the A. O. F. These two players came together on the forward line of the West field, in a collision to which Wright took exception and started to argue the matter with his hands.

Clegg returned the compliment and Wright ducked just as Clegg, however, measured the distance accurately the second time, and connected a sleeping wallop with Wright's chin, sending the Victoria West player down in a heap.

Referee Sydney Thompson very properly took a hand in the matter and ordered both players off the field for the balance of the game. The fight occurred a few minutes after the referee started so the teams played the balance with ten men each.

The players will be reported to the league which will take whatever action it thinks necessary on the men's behaviour.

McKittrick on the Victoria West forward line received a kick in the knee which was injured in a city league game earlier in the season, and this player was a disabled player and missed a couple of possible goals through his injury. Three players on the A. O. F. team were suffering from the results of previous injuries, Young with a lame leg, and two others with minor troubles. Sellars, a new man from Calgary, was selected during the first half and under the circumstances played a fair game for his first appearance in Victoria.

Stanley Okell stood down from the Victoria West team to make a place for Buxton, and his unselfishness certainly turned the game to a victory. Buxton played a splendid game and the victory was more his than any individual player on the team. Whyte was knocked out during the game but soon recovered and played a good game all through. Dakers and Pearson were the best of the A. O. F. team, while Telford was good. The team, which was outclassed, but even at that with four penalties should have made the margin in the score considerably less. The teams were:

Victoria West—Beane, Whyte, Prevest, Kinloch, Bailey, Petticrew, Buxton, McKittrick, Sedger, Wright and Stewart.

A. O. F.—Miller, Lorimer, Wilson, Telford, Malcolm, Clegg, Sellars, Stewart, Pearson, Young and Dakers.

ATHLETICS. Y. W. A. MEETING.

A most important meeting of the Victoria West Athletic Association will be held in the club rooms to-night, when matters of finance and general business will be transacted. The immediate and junior basketball teams will be properly organized, captains selected, regular nights for practices arranged, etc. Many matters of the first and second division football teams will also be dealt with, and it is likely that the advisability of holding another of the West End popular dances early in the new year will be discussed. It is hoped that a good attendance will be present and every member is asked to be sure and be on hand.

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SECOND DIVISION MATCHES IN SOCCER

Beacon Hill Heads the List of Teams in Their Class.

The Beacon Hill football team, league leaders of the second division, secured a victory from the Esquimalt eleven on Saturday last. The score at full time stood at two-goals to one in favor of the Hills. It was a close game as the score shows, and for some time the result was in doubt. However, the Hills broke away in time and saved themselves from defeat. H. Brightman gave satisfaction as referee.

Y.M.C.A. Lose. Two old rivals in the second division league, the Y.M.C.A. and Fifth Regiment football teams, struggled for supremacy on Saturday last. The latter team was successful, winning by four goals to three. The game was a close one and just before full time the soldiers were successful in finding the Y.M.C.A. net, which landed the game to the regiment. H. G. McKenzie acted as referee.

Win for North Ward. On Saturday morning the North Ward team defeated the Baraca eleven by a score of three goals to one. The Wards had the best of play throughout and showed that they were superior to their rivals in the football game. P. Richardson, who acted as referee, treated both sides alike and gave eminent satisfaction.

Exhibition Game. In an exhibition game played on Saturday afternoon at Beacon Hill between the North Ward football team and the Empress eleven, the former won by a score of four goals to three. The game was an exciting one and the pace set was very fast, but notwithstanding the fact that the Wards had played a hard game in the morning the members of it played well. About 15 minutes from full time the pace began to tell on the Wards, and as a result the Empress players shot in two goals in quick succession. The former, however, rallied in time to save themselves from defeat. T. O'Rourke acted as referee and gave entire satisfaction.

Standing of Teams. Beacon Hill, 10; North Ward, 8; Victoria West, 7; Empress, 9; Esquimalt, 9; Fifth Regiment, 9; Baraca, 9; Y.M.C.A., 9.

Games to be replayed—Y.M.C.A. vs. Baraca; North Ward vs. Beacon Hill; North Ward vs. Victoria West; North Ward vs. Regiment; Esquimalt vs. Victoria West; Baraca vs. Victoria West; Empress vs. Fifth Regiment; Esquimalt vs. Y.M.C.A.

ARMSTRONG MAY ASSIST JEFFRIES

Heavyweight Engaging Pugilists to Aid in His Training for Coming Fight.

New York, Dec. 27.—Bob Armstrong, the big and clever colored heavyweight, will in all probability be engaged by Jim Jeffries to assist him in his training for his coming heavyweight championship fight with Jack Johnson.

Armstrong is one of the best men in the business when it comes to training a man for a fight and the fact that he was Johnson's sparring partner when the latter trained for his battle with Al Kaufman, is one reason why Jeffries is anxious to secure him, as he knows every blow used by Johnson in a battle.

As Jim Corbett, Jack Root and probably Tommy Ryan, will also be added to Jeffries' corps of trainers, the big fellow will surely have a great collection of clever men to box with for the mill. Sam Berger and Jack McCormick, the Chicago ex-heavyweight, will also be added to the camp to do their little stunt.

Celebrates Victory. Chicago, Dec. 27.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight pugilist, celebrated here yesterday the first anniversary of his accession to the championship title by a house warming in the home he has presented to his mother. One year ago yesterday Johnson knocked out Tommy Burns in the fourteenth round of the championship battle at Rush Cutler's Bay, near Sydney, New South Wales, and won the world's title.

Talking of his coming fight with James J. Jeffries, Johnson said he was certain it would be staged at San Francisco and announced that he would pitch his training camp at Ocean View, just outside of San Francisco. Johnson also announced that "Gunboat" Smith, a Pacific coast heavyweight, would be one of his training partners.

In renewing a music hall licence the Birkenhead, Eng., magistrates stipulated that no beauty competitions should take place in the hall, and expressed the opinion that such competitions were demoralizing.

BROWN WINNER OF EMPRESS ROAD RACE

Carroll, Who Was Favorite, Second—Brethour Third.

Charles Brown, of the Victoria West Athletic Club, won the five-mile Empress race by 100 yards from Carroll, who finished a couple of hundred yards ahead of Brethour, of Sidney. The race was run Christmas morning, and the winner received the Wilkerson cup for first, which was presented after the race by Mrs. H. D. Helmecken. Carroll, who was second, is a member of the Empress Athletic Club, and got the Empress club cup, while Brethour, of Sidney, received a medal.

The race commenced from the hotel, and at the parliament buildings Brown took the lead, and was never headed. The course was a trifle under five miles, and the time made by Brown was 25.28.

At the finish the runners lined up in the hotel lobby and listened to a speech delivered by H. D. Helmecken, K. C., after which the prizes were presented. The race was very popular, and about five hundred people were assembled at different points on the road and at Beacon Hill, while towards the finish there was a large crowd in front of the hotel.

The arrangements were good, the runners got away on time, and the stewards of the course carried out their duties well. W. H. Wilkerson, who presented the cup, was starter and timekeeper, and received a vote of thanks for his services. J. Swerney was clerk of the course. The runners finished in the following order: 1. Brown, V. W. A.; 2. Carroll, E. A. C.; 3. Brethour, Sidney; 4. Cervet, N. W. A.; 5. Kersey, E. A. C.; 6. Coates, N. W. A.; 7. Carr, J. B. A. A.; 8. Johnson, Y. M. C. A.

Plin, Fifth Regiment, did not circle the track at Beacon Hill, and was declared out of the race.

VANCOUVER DEFEATED CALIFORNIA FIFTEEN

First Game Played for the Keith Trophy on Saturday.

Vancover defeated California Rugby fifteen Saturday at Vancouver by one try, three points to nil, and drove the first mile into the Keith cup, which will return to California if the visiting team win the greater part of the series, and will come to B. C. again if Vancouver is able to repeat the performance of Saturday when the two teams met again tomorrow.

The Vancouver team, although having the worst of the weight by several pounds per man, was fleetier, more accurate in passing, and the scrum, though out-weighted, pushed the other fellows back every time. The three thousand spectators who were there cheered wildly when McLogg carried the ball over and touched down the only score that was to decide the game.

Vancover pressed the greater part of the time, and it was only the sturdy back lines of the visiting team that saved it from a crushing defeat. All through the game the Vancouver men rushed down on the Collegians, the forwards carrying the ball with them. Time and time again the Collegians were rushed back, but a final effort by them saved the local team from scoring. The California team is weak forward, where they were unable to do anything against the Vancouver backs.

As indicated by the score the play was strenuous all through, and the game was hard until the final whistle, and although Vancouver had the game safe it could not allow any mistakes, as the heavy weighted Californians were capable of carrying through the line a rush had the Vancouver backs slacked up at all. Vancouver tackled well and generally brought their men to the ground before the ball had made much headway.

With only a few minutes to play in the second half the Vancouver team came through with the play which electrified the big crowd and turned the game into victory. McKinnon, Fyson and McLogg did the good work from a scrum within ten yards of the line, but Thomas failed to secure the goal.

The Vancouver team played the most concerted game the fans there have seen this year, and the victory was greeted with long and loud cheers. The teams were: Vancouver. Full Back, California. B. Sawers. Full Back, Dwiggins. Wilson. Three-quarters, Watts. Baker. Three-quarters, Harris. Fyson. Three-quarters, Peart. McLogg. Five-eighths, Allen. Elliott. O. Sawers. Half Backs, Corf. McKinnon. Forwards, Pauley. Thomas. Rhoads. Scott. McKeechup. Peger. Gale. Mackay. McDonald. Bennett. Scott. Ashley. Bryant. Jordan. Stacey. Northford.

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CHANCE LEADS NATIONAL FIRST BASEMEN

Averages for Season Are Announced—Vancouver Franchise Fight.

(Times Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 27.—Capt. Frank Chance, of Chicago, led all National League first basemen in averages for the season of 1909, as announced today. With a percentage of .994 for 92 games, he is followed by Brantford, of Philadelphia, with a percentage of .989 for 135 games. Stork, who played with Pittsburgh and St. Louis, tied Chance's fielding average, but he played in only 19 games.

Bridwell, of New York, with 145 games, and Hans Wagnor, of Pittsburgh, with 136, are tied with .949 per cent. in fielding averages for short-stops. Hummel, of Brooklyn, played with perfect scores in 17 games as an outfielder, but Capt. Clarke, of Pittsburgh, has the best average with 157 games played and a percentage of .952. Gibson, of Pittsburgh, caught 150 games, more than any other catcher, and has a fielding average of .939.

Pittsburg led in club field with .964. Camnitz, of Pittsburg, has probably the best pitching record with 11 games played and a percentage of .896. Mathewson, of New York, has the same average with 57 games.

Butte May Have Team. Spokane, Wash., Dec. 27.—Ducky Holmes, who is keeping an eye on the working out of the Vancouver franchise fight, is in Spokane, and has intimated that with proper backing he might consent to go back to Butte, if the Northwestern League drops Portland and handle a club there.

Times are so much better in Butte now that it is believed that a strong team like Holmes would be sure to collect would make money in the copper city.

Brown and Cohn emphatically declare they are in favor of pulling out of Portland and either putting a team in Bellingham and Everett jointly to play some games in Seattle, or sending Holmes to Butte as above suggested. President Cohn expects to make a trip to the coast this week to interview the Tacoma and Seattle magnates.

ST. YVES DEFEATS MARSH AT SEATTLE

Wins Fifteen Mile Race by Yard After Close Contest.

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—Henri St. Yves, champion Marathon runner, again proved his right to be classed as one of the most remarkable distance men the country has ever seen, when he defeated John D. Marsh, champion of Canada, in a fifteen-mile race yesterday afternoon at Dugdale's park. Running over a track inches deep in half frozen slush and sticky mud, the Marathon champion showed splendid stamina and speed, covering the fifteen miles in 1 hour 28 minutes and 47 1/2 seconds.

It was the little Frenchman's ability to finish a long grind with a burst of speed that won for him, for Marsh put up a great fight. The last mile of the race was one of the most spectacular athletic sports have ever witnessed. The two ran close together, and were seldom more than two or three yards apart in the last half. The final furrow was a magnificent battle. Each put forth the last ounce of speed he had left in the effort to draw away from his opponent, but they were so evenly matched that they ran neck and neck for the final lap, the last 100 yards the little Frenchman's superior speed gave him a yard, and it was by just a yard that he beat Marsh to the tape.

The race itself, except toward the end, when the men began to sprint, was monotonous in the extreme. Several hundred enthusiasts braved a wintry chill and sloppy footing to witness the contest. They shivered in the stands for two hours with little to warm their blood except the scant excitement of the race. They stamped and danced to keep warm, and they were rewarded by the sensational ending of the long test of endurance.

A young Russian tailor, who was not allowed to land by the London Alien Immigration Board, said he had come to see his sweetheart. He saw her four years ago, but had never walked out with her or spoken to her.

PAPER BOTTLES FOR MILK. Are Used in New York by Big Milk Dealers Instead of the Old Bottles.

In order to eliminate all danger of infection from dirty milk bottles, the New York milk committee in its seven infants' milk depots is using for the first time in New York city a single service paper milk bottle, which it instructs its patrons to throw away as soon as it is emptied of milk.

Milk dealers in the city have long talked about the single service container, but none of them has dared venture its sale. The milk committee, which considers its depots as experimental stations in the distribution of milk, willingly undertook the task of adopting the paper bottles, with the idea of ascertaining whether they were really practical. The results, so far, have been most satisfactory.

The bottles are of paraffined paper, and are distributed in pint sizes. An opening in the top of about one inch in diameter is fitted with a wooden plug, fitted in over a paraffin slip. The cost of the bottles is about one-half cent each in wholesale lots; but this is, if anything, less than the cost of glass bottles, freightage on glass bottles, breaking, washing, etc. Big dealers estimate that the life of a glass bottle is less than fifteen trips.

MOTORING DISTANCES. The following shows the distances from Victoria of different points on Vancouver Island:

Table with 2 columns: Point, Miles. Berni, 113. Colwood, 8. Cowichan, 36. Comalau, 62. Duncan, 46. Gabriola, 31. Galiano, 22. Smith, 22. Sooke, 22. Tsoo, 22. Nanaimo, 22.

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FITZSIMMONS KNOCKED OUT IN TWELFTH. Veteran Defeated by Bill Lang, Who Was Favorite in Betting. (Times Leased Wire.) Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 27.—Bill Lang, Australian heavyweight, knocked out Bob Fitzsimmons in the twelfth round of their fight at Rush Cutler's Bay stadium today. The fight was evenly contested up to the last round, when Lang forced Fitz to the ropes, knocking him down with a right hand blow to the jaw, and when he arose, sent him to the floor senseless with a right hand uppercut. Fitz had not appeared in the ring in Australia since he left here for the United States many years ago, and when he landed clean blows on the face and body in a hot rally in the eleventh round Fitz cut Lang's right eye severely with a left hand punch. As the fight progressed Lang acquired confidence and forced the pace, but Fitz cleverly evaded his rushes and frequently landed clean blows on the face and body in a hot rally in the eleventh round Fitz cut Lang's right eye severely with a left hand punch. When the twelfth and last round opened Lang rushed Fitz through the ropes and floored him with a right hand swing. Fitz took the count of nine and roared groggy. Lang was at him fiercely as soon as he regained his feet, battering the forlorn veteran about the ring. He forced Fitz against the ropes, and with a hard right uppercut on the jaw sent him down and out. Lang was a strong favorite in the betting at odds of 1 to 2. His weight was announced at 188 pounds, while Fitz gave him at 156 pounds. Arthur Scott was the referee. Twelve thousand spectators witnessed the fight.

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That Christmas was ushered into the home-life of the young ladies of the training class, as well as the graduate nurses of St. Joseph's hospital, can not be denied by those who, on Wednesday evening, saw the reception hall and adjoining rooms devoted to the comfort of the girls under training. Flags, bunting, holly, and a heavily-laden Christmas tree greeted the eye of the passer-by, while the excitement and haste that marked the movements of each of these practitioners as she hurriedly "put things to rights" in her charge before withdrawing to don the pretty costume in which she was to attend the fancy dress guessing contest, all this told that something unusual was taking place.

The fact is that all this transformation in the nurses' apartments, as also the quantity and quality of the refreshments that were to find ready appetites when the early hours of the evening had gone by, was due to the kindness and generosity of Captain Parry, of H. M. S. Egria.

Grateful for all that has been done for him when a patient at St. Joseph's, and wishing to testify his appreciation of the attentive care given him by the nurses, Captain Parry found it a necessity to lighten the Christmas festivities and give some special enjoyment to these young ladies. Consequently he prevailed on Sister Superior to allow him the privilege of decorating their reception hall and of having refreshments prepared at his expense. Following out the orders of Captain Parry the sailors of the Egria succeeded admirably in their decorations and everything bore a very festive appearance. The nurses had decided that nothing on their part should be wanting to make the evening both unique and enjoyable. They, therefore, concluded to assume characters, and costumed to typify such, they prepared for the contest. Each person in the audience was provided with a list of names and it seemed as though it would be a very easy task to recognize the fair maidens. But they had so well disguised themselves that the audience was backward in naming them. The list is given below of the young ladies and the characters they personated.

After dancing and singing for a couple of hours the light-hearted girls did ample justice to the dishes that had been prepared according to Captain Parry's injunctions, and at a rather late hour they dispersed feeling truly grateful to Captain Parry and trusting that Christmas and the New Year would bring to him much happiness in return for what he had given to the others.

The list of nurses and the characters personated was as follows: Miss Kennedy, holly; Miss Saunders, ghost; Miss Hagat, Grecian lady; Miss Dodd, St. Helena; Miss Davidson, Highland costume; Miss Campbell, Daily Varieties; Miss Whitney, gypsy; Miss Hornor, Japanese lady; Miss Blomquist, Dutch girl; Miss O'Keefe, Black Pierrot; Miss Braine, Topsy; Miss Graves, Irish girl; Miss B. Mellon, Bo-Peep; Miss Sinclair, baby; Miss Downey, Spanish lady; Miss M. M. Mellon, Chinese lady; Miss Pakenham, Mary Jane; Miss Locke, Dutch girl; Miss Hubie, athletic girl; Miss Gillis, fencing girl; Miss Thompson, Poudre; Miss Foster, White Pierrot; Miss McBride, college girl; Miss Allan, witch; Miss Silversides, Daily Colonist; Miss Dale, Milkmaid; Miss Leonard, bathing girl; Miss Creech, peasant; Miss Conlin, Chinese Priest; Baby Gibbs, Santa Claus.

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Victoria is to have Frank Markley, the famous banjoist, here this week, and that name is significant for a rush of seats, as Markley is indeed a marvellous performer on this instrument, and takes in all from ragtime to the Grand Overture from Semiramide. Seattle and Vancouver simply rose in its seats and cheered Markley on his appearance there.

Marie FitzGibbon, an eccentric chanteuse, will give a number of songs and keep her audience laughing all the time with the stories she has to tell. She is effective both in her monologues and her songs, and should do much to entertain Victoria during the last week of the year.

Two minstrel comedians in Gardner and Golden will support the other acts with some new travelling salesmen comedy. The act is fair in any company of the report submitted. This makes the fourth strong act of the bill which is supported by Thomas J. Price, who will sing "To the End of the World With You." Mr. Jamieson has the regular moving pictures and Heri Nagel will have some special orchestral selections for the week.



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"Has Perpetrated Its Last Act of Destructive Fury."

Addressing the members of the National Liberal Club in London, the Chancellor of the Exchequer opened the campaign against the Lords in the following speech:

The extreme kindness of your reception requires me to say many a weary and anxious month of hard work. I have come here to-day not to preach a funeral oration. I am here neither to bury nor to praise the budget. If it is buried, it is in the sure and certain hope of a glorious resurrection. (Cheers.) As to its merits, no one appreciates them more sincerely than I do, but its slaughter has raised greater, graver, and more fruitful issues. We have got to arrest the criminal. We have got to see that he never repeats his crime. (Hear, hear.) The momentous event of Tuesday last has closed one chapter in the history of the country—a chapter which opened over seventy years ago with a bright gleam of hope for the people. Much of that hope has been realized. Perhaps most of it has faded into the gloom of disappointment. A new chapter is now being written, equally full of hope, but with a better prospect of realization. For the sinister assembly which is more responsible than any other power for wrecking popular hopes has, in my judgment, perpetrated its last act of destructive fury. (Cheers.) They have slain the budget. In doing so they have killed the bill which, if you will permit me to say so, had in it more promise of better things for the people of this country than most bills that have been submitted to the House of Commons in recent years. It made provision against the inevitable evils which befall large masses of our poor population through old age, infirmity, sickness and unemployment.

The schemes of which it was simply the foundation would, in my judgment, if they had been allowed to fructify, have eliminated at least hunger from the terrors that haunt the workman's cottage. And yet, here you have an order of men, blessed with every fortune which Providence can bestow upon them, grudging a small pittance out of their super-abundance in order to protect themselves and build up their wealth against the haunting terror of misery and despair. They have thrown the budget out, and in doing so they have initiated one of the greatest, gravest, and most promising struggles of modern times. (Cheers.) Liberty owes as much to the foolhardiness and heroism of its friends as it wishes for no better illustration of that than this House. Here, for years, for generations, Liberal statesmen have striven to bring to an issue this great cause. Their bills have been mutilated and torn and devastated by this machine, and they were never able to bring the cause to any sort of decision. It has been done at last, and I am proud that I have had a share in it. (Voice.)

I have had a share in the peers and the people has been set down for trial in the great assize of the people, and the verdict will soon come. The assembly which has delayed, denied, and mutilated for so long has at last been brought to justice. We are on the eve of a general election which will decide this great question. There will be the usual attempt to divert the attention of the jury by turning their minds on to other and irrelevant questions. I have no doubt the stale old question of protection will be brought up. Anyone who has read the modern political history of this country can recall many instances where the Tory party, kind pressed, has resorted to protection. They will try it again. It will fail. Not that we are afraid of it, in fact, it raises in a very glib way an issue which we will be delighted to get the mind of the country upon—whether money for the services of the country has to be raised by taxing the unearned increment upon land, by taxing luxuries, or by taxing the bread and meat which is raised. But after all, there will be one great dominant question submitted to the electorate, one that will absorb all others. What is that? (Voices: "The House of Lords.") That is it; the question which was put by the Prime Minister in his great speech yesterday.

Here is a nation of nearly forty-five millions, one of the greatest nations the world has ever seen, a nation whose proficiency in the art of government is unrivalled, a nation which has no superior in commerce or industry, which has established the greatest merchant fleet that ever rode the waves, which has got the greatest international commerce in the world, and which has founded the greatest and most exhaustive Empire the world has ever witnessed; and yet we are told that this great nation, with such a record of splendid achievement in the past and in the present, is unfit to make its own laws, is unfit to control its own destinies, and that it is to be placed, as if it were a nation of children or of lunatics, under the tutelage and guardianship of some other body.

Insult to the People. And what body? (Cheers, and a voice: "Rip it in.") Who are the guardians of this mighty people? With all respect I shall have to make exceptions, and I must speak of them as a whole—I shall come to the analysis later on. They are men who have neither the training, the qualifications, nor the experience which would fit them for such a gigantic task. They are men whose sole qualification, speaking for the majority of them, is that they are the first-born of persons who had just as little qualification as themselves. (Cheers and laughter.) To invite this Imperial race, this the

greatest commercial nation in the world, this the nation that has taught the world in the principles of self-government and liberty, to invite this nation itself to slay the decree that declares that it is unfit to govern itself without the guardianship of such people, is an insult that I hope will be flung back with vigor in their faces. (Cheers.)

The issue is this—is this nation to be a free nation and become a freer one, or is it for all time to be shackled and fettered by tariffs and trusts and monopolies and privilege? That is the issue, and no Liberal will shrink it. (Cheers.) It is time something were done. The insolence of that assembly has grown by immunity. They did not believe that we were in earnest, and it is time we showed we were. It has thrown out Liberal bills, bill after bill, even after the country had declared explicitly its views upon the matter; it has passed constructive measures that were never subjected to the judgment of the country. In fact, it is purely a branch of the Tory organization—just as much a Tory organization as the Tariff Reform League or the Coal Consumers' League. They are three separate and distinct parts of the great mechanism of destruction, all of them just different branches of the same service.

Carlyle once said: "It is wonderful how long a rotten institution will hang together, so long as it is not roughly handled." (Laughter.) It is time it were handled firmly. Mr. Balfour yesterday taunted me with making speeches about the House of Lords and passing resolutions. I agree, if we left it there, we should justify every gib which has been flung at us. You cannot without menacing speeches cast down even the most rickety and gim-crack of idols. You must handle them a little more firmly. The time has come for unflinching and resolute action. (Hear, hear.)

I for my part would not be a member of a Liberal cabinet one hour unless I knew that that cabinet had determined not to hold office after the next general election, unless full powers are accorded to it, which would enable it to place on the statute book of the realm a measure which would ensure that the House of Commons in future should not merely Tory bills, as it does now, but Liberal and progressive measures in the course of a single parliament, either with or without the sanction of the House of Lords. (Loud and prolonged cheers.) That does not mean a single chamber, but it does mean that, even where there is a conflict between the two Houses, and the House of Lords persists in its resistance after full opportunity is accorded to both Houses for reflection, then in the course of a single parliament, the will of the House which represents the people of this country must and shall prevail. (Prolonged cheering.)

I should like to examine the claim of the House of Lords to be the impartial, superior judicial and dispassionate assembly which its friends assume that it is. It is a great claim: let us examine its credentials. Here you have two assemblies face to face, and no mistake about that. It is not a question of whether the House of Commons and the House of Lords shall go on side by side with almost co-ordinate authority. It is a question which of them is to prevail. Is it that House that represents the forty-five millions of people or the few, who happen to be there at the time? And I am not sure that it represents even that.

The Two Houses Compared. Look at the two assemblies. You might imagine from the way they talk about the House of Commons that we were all 670 of us, men who had been picked up at random from hordes in Hyde Park, or from street corners in the provinces. What is the House of Commons? And when I ask that question I am not referring merely to this House and this Parliament, I am referring to every House that I have had any experience of—and I have had many. I have been a member of five parliaments—three of them Liberal and two of them Tory. Not merely in its elected capacity, but in the personality of its individual members, the House of Commons represents every business, every trade, every branch of commerce and industry, and every great profession in the country. They are men of experience in the trade and commerce of the country. You have got a certain number of men of that kind in the House of Lords—I do not deny it—and they make the most of them. They do everything with them except take their advice. They are good enough for advertisement. They are good enough for the shop-window. But they have to be kept out of the counting-house. (Great laughter.) Those are not the men who rule the House of Lords. They are a small minority in the House of Lords, and they are not listened to as they are in the House of Commons.

Take, if you like, three or four of the principal industries of the country. Take agriculture, which, I suppose, is the greatest of them all. You have got many farmers here you got? How many ploughmen? If you come to the House of Commons, you have landowners, but you have also farmers; you have men who have earned their living between the horns of the plough. You have other branches of the great agricultural interest in the House of Commons—men who, in various capacities, either as merchants, or agents, or dealers, come into contact with agriculture in every phase and form.

Come to the great transport industries of this country. In the House of Lords you have a great shipowner and great shipbuilders. You have got one of the greatest, in the world there, at this point the speaker turned to Lord Pirrie, who was sitting a few places off. He voted for the budget. I had the pleasure and privilege of visiting that great ward at Belfast some years ago, and there I found two or three magnificent ships. I asked, "Who are you constructing these for?" "Oh, these are for the Germans." I was told—these unpatriotic Germans who, instead of building ships at home, actually give orders to British firms! Well, in the House of Commons you have shipowners and shipbuilders. You also have men who have served before the mast. You have pilots here. You have men who are engaged in every branch of the merchant service. Then come to the railways. You have railway directors in the House of Lords. I am not mentioning that as

a proof that there is anybody there who knows anything about railways. At the same time, there may be one or two of them who do. But in the House of Commons you have not merely directors. You have men who have served as railway guards and porters. Come now, to the miners. How many miners are there in the House of Lords? How many colliers? Colliery proprietors they have, and royalty owners. We have these in the House of Commons. But you have others as well. Take textiles. How many weavers and spinners have they got in the House of Lords? You have got every side of these great industries represented in the House of Commons.

And I will mention another fact, which is even more important. In the House of Lords you soon exhaust the men who have had any training in business at all. My friend Mr. Samuel has been kind enough to tell me he had analyzed the list supplied by the Times the other day. The Times said, "Look at this great business assembly," and then it gave the list of noble lords who knew everything about everything. Mr. Samuel has found that out of that list—there were 103 of them—only 57 of them voted against the budget—it was not a very overwhelming majority, to begin with—and these were not business men. In order to make out that they had a majority of business men they had to leave out some of our men. But, taken them all together, they are just a small minority in a huge body.

But when you come to the House of Commons you find that the average type of man there is a man who has gone through all those stages—men who have worked up through the various stages of industry, trade and commerce until they have won for themselves the distinction of sitting in the present parliament—in the world. (Cheers.) That is the real difference between them, and a very substantial difference it is. You have just got a few in the House of Lords, and the rest of them are of no more use than broken bottles stuck on a park wall to keep off poachers. And that is why they are there for, to keep Radicalism off their lordly preserves. (Laughter.) There are many of them who, if you dissolved the House of Lords to-morrow, would probably be in the House of Commons, and would take an honorable, a distinguished, and probably a commanding position there.

Who Threw Out the Budget? But those are not the men who committed that budget should be thrown out. How did the Lords arrive at that decision? It is worth looking into. Those who say that it is an impartial assembly, which soberly and calmly sits down to consider a proposition on its merits, the mere narration of the events that led up to the throwing out of the budget, the mere narration of the forces that propelled the budget out of the Lords, is a complete answer. Who are the men who were against throwing it out? There is Lord Balfour of Burleigh, who delivered one of the weightiest speeches ever listened to in the House of Lords. Who is he? A very able Tory, and a Scottish Tory, which means that his Toryism is above suspicion. It means that he is a Tory in whom there is no guile. (Laughter.) He was against its being thrown out. There is Lord James, one of the greatest constitutional lawyers of the day, and a man who made the biggest political sacrifice of any living politician, and made it for Unionism, so that he, at any rate, is above the suspicion of undue partiality towards a Radical government. Then there is Lord Cromer, the greatest living pro-consul. There is Lord Rosebery. (Ironical laughter.) Well, there is this to be said for Lord Rosebery. Nobody will accuse him of excessive partiality to the present government; and therefore if he advised them not to throw it out, it must have been that after the most careful consideration of all the conditions he was of opinion that it was a mad act of folly to perpetrate. (Cheers.)

Then there is Lord Aldwyn, the greatest of Tory financiers—I am not sure I should not be right if I said the only Tory financier. He was not there, it is true; and I can better imagine than repeat the language he would probably use about them. (Laughter.) Who was on the other side? Lord Lansdowne? Are you quite sure? I am not in the counsels of Lord Lansdowne. He did not consult me about this matter. I am not sure that the conclusion would have been very different. But what has he done? He has been forced into this position. It is not I who say so. Lord Rosebery said so. Others sitting on the same side hinted it broadly. He has been forced into this position against his own better judgment; but, having been forced, seeing no way out of it, being in the trap, he thought he might as well eat the cheese and not leave it for the consumption of any other mouse or rat. (Laughter.)

But who is really on the other side? Lord Curzon. There is no mistake about him. Well, Lord Curzon is not a very wise or tactful person, and all I would say about him would be this—I think he is less dangerous as a ruler of the House of Commons than as a ruler of India. (Laughter and cheers.) For further particulars apply to Lord Kitchener. And if you want any further information you might apply to Lord Middleton. I will say no more of him. Then there is Lord Milner. (Cries of "Oh.") There is one thing in common between Lord Milner and Lord Curzon—they are both very gifted men, but they are of that class of clever men who have every gift except the gift of common sense. (Hear, hear.)

Look at the two pro-consuls who took part in this debate—one of them, Lord Cromer, advising that the bill should not be thrown out. (A Voice: "And damn the consequences.") Lord Cromer, a man who found his province devastated by misgovernment, desolated by war, left it a land of abounding and smiling prosperity; the other found a smiling land, prosperous, leaping into great wealth, and left it, after years of mismanagement and misadventure, a scorched and blasted desert. (Cheers.) He has a peculiar genius for running institutions and countries into destructive courses. There is the man who threw out the budget. His motto is—I apologize for quoting it in a respectable assembly—"Damn the consequences!"

What will only cost 10 millions, somebody says it will cost 20 millions; he will say "Damn the consequences!" Tariff Reform will produce 13 millions a year, and will help every trade and industry, say some; you go to him and say, "No, it will not produce five millions, but it will ruin and embarrass half the trades of the land," and he will say, "Hang the consequences!" Here you are, raising millions of money for the poor and broken and wretched—you will have to put out for a couple of years looking after the unemployed and the sick—never mind the consequences. That is the spirit, that is the temper, that is the genius which has rejected the budget. How long is Britain going to be ridden down by this sort of rule? Not an hour later than the next general election. (Prolonged cheering.)

Journalistic Attitude. I should like to ask if you have gone into the journals that counsel this. It is true that at the last moment they have all rallied. I am not criticizing that, or condemning it. They are rallying to their party. Party discipline has asserted itself, and loyalty to party has overridden their judgment. Every man has got to make decisions of that kind in his time. But I am taking the period when they were making up their minds. Who are the journals who counselled rejection, and who are the journals who counselled the House of Lords not to reject? All the weightiest papers on the Conservative side were against it. The Times, the Birmingham Post, the Glasgow Herald, the Spectator, and I hope I am not wrong—I am not quite so sure about the fifth—the Yorkshire Post. If I am wrong there, I should be sorry to have to withdraw. I am sorry: "The Observer." That was the rabbiest of the lot. (Cheers and laughter.) These are the papers that counselled the House of Lords not to follow the wild men.

Who is on the other side? Practically one very able—but ill-balanced journalist. It is true he has written in two or three papers—he wrote in the Observer and The Daily Telegraph, and I am not sure he did not write in the Daily Mail, a man who advocated Parnell a few years ago with just the same fervor and with the same extravagant phrase as he is now advocating protection and the rejection of the budget. Then the Daily Mail hesitated. It only came in at the last moment. It had a bad skin once to our side. (Laughter.) I admit that for the last couple of months it has placed at the disposal of the wreckers that passion for accuracy of statement which has been so dear to it. Well, now, that is how the bill was thrown out—not by the wise men, not by the reflecting men of the Unionist party, but by these mad Mullahs. (Laughter.) And here is the assembly—you will see what I am coming to—which is supposed to be dispassionate, to be calm, to be judicial above everything—this is the body which is to stand between us and anarchy—here is the fire brigade that is to quench the flames of revolution when they come. Why, they cannot put out a little fire in the backyard of the Sunday edition of the Daily Mail. On the contrary, they have joined the incendiaries.

But, they say, have you not great financiers who supported the rejection of the budget? What about Lord Rothschild and Lord Revelstoke? Well, now, the House of Lords has indulged in a good deal of plain speaking about me and I mean to return the compliment. (Prolonged cheers.) It shows my appreciation of their style. Lord Rothschild and Lord Revelstoke did it on the ground, they said, that British investments were absolutely no use at the present moment, and that the only thing fit to invest in was something which was foreign. These two noblemen are great exporters of British capital. They are making a competent and a respectable living out of that business. (Laughter.) And when I hear these two able financiers say that the British fish smells rather

strongly, and that the foreign fish on their stalls is both sweet and wholesome; then I say, "My lords, you are two very good salesmen." At the same time, I say to them, "We in this country, some of us and our ancestors having been here for 2,000 years—time within the memory of man runneth not to the contrary—we are getting a little tired of these noblemen who are always running down British products and British investments and all the things in the country which offered hospitality to their forefathers, and enabled them to make their riches." (Loud cheers.) Why did they reject the budget? Because, they said, if you did not reject it things would have been done which were irrevocable. What were they?

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About 250 of Mr. C. W. Munro's friends and supporters answered to invitations, and gathered on Tuesday evening to do honor to a man who had represented them in the provincial legislature for the past eleven years.

The banquet was held in Henderson's hall, which was most artistically decorated with flags and banners and garlanded hangers.

The Chilliwack Dance Orchestra was present and well provided with a collection of harmonizing music that did much to further the spirit of good feeling that prevailed.

At the conclusion of the dinner the president of the Liberal Association, Mr. J. A. MacLeod, proposed the toast of the "King," which was responded to by the singing of the national anthem by the entire assembly.

MYSTERIOUS STABBING CASE AT VANCOUVER

Man is Taken Into Custody Charged With Attempted Murder.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—As a result of a stabbing affray in the Marlborough hotel early Saturday, Raymond Miller is in St. Paul's hospital with three ugly knife wounds in his back, and Eugene Cullity is in the city jail facing the charge of attempted murder.

Early on Saturday morning the police received a call to the Marlborough hotel, and Constable Jewett found the man Miller lying on the bed in a pool of blood, with three gaping slashes in his back, one on the left side and the other two on the right.

While Miller's wounds are reported to be serious, ultimate recovery is hoped for.

KILLED BY SPY

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—Official investigation has determined that Colonel Karpoff, chief of the secret police, who was assassinated here, was the victim of a revolutionist who had been employed as a government spy.

LAND SETTLEMENT

London, Dec. 27.—A conference of headmasters, Dr. Gray, headmaster at Bradford, proposed a resolution pledging their support to the public schools league for imperial land settlement.

The Marquis of Anglesey has offered to give Burton-on-Trent a lease in perpetuity of the principal recreation ground of the town at a nominal rent of 55 per annum.

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UNCLE SAM'S BIGGEST FIGHTING SHIP

The Utah, Fifth of All Big Gun Type, is Launched at Camden, N. J.

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—The battleship Utah, the greatest warship ever built in the United States, was launched from the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company, at Camden, N. J., in the presence of several thousand persons.

The Utah is the fifth of all the big gun type of battleship for the United States navy to be launched. When completed she will be more powerful than the Delaware or the North Dakota, of the Dreadnought class.

The Utah has a length on the load water line of 310 feet, or 52 1/2 feet over all, and a beam of 88 feet 2 inches. Her trial draft will be 28 1/2 feet, displacement 21,825 tons, or 2,600 tons greater than the Delaware and North Dakota, and her speed is expected to develop 20 1/2 knots or more an hour.

There will be ten 15-inch breech-loading guns in her main armament, mounted in five turrets on the central line of the ship. Two of the turrets will be forward, one amidships and two aft. Each turret will be protected by armor, eight and twelve inches thick, and will be supplied with ammunition by electrical hoists from the magazines and shell rooms immediately below. The entire handling of the guns will be done by electric motors.

Sixteen five-inch guns protected by armor of medium thickness will be provided for defence against torpedo boat attacks.

The Utah will also be fitted with two submerged torpedo tubes and will have ten small guns for boat service and saluting purposes.

The main armor belt will be about eight feet wide with an average thickness of ten inches. Above this will be another belt of an average thickness of nine inches and still higher will be the casement armor protecting the secondary battery and funnel bases.

Ten turbines, six for ahead and four for astern, capable of developing 38,000 horse power, will be installed. Steam will be supplied by twelve water tube boilers and coal or oil may be used for fuel. The two smokestacks on the ship will extend seventy feet above the water line.

The Utah will be fitted for a flagship, and her complement as such will consist of a crew of 1,000, of whom sixty will be officers.

While the Utah will have no equal that position long as the naval programme following the one which called for two ships of the Utah class provides for vessels that will be considerably heavier. These latter ships will mount two more 15-inch guns than the Utah and will have a heavier secondary battery.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

Measure has Been Drawn Up and Approved by President Taft.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—A ship subsidy bill that can pass congress and meet the approval of the president seems to be in sight. Congressman Humphries, of Washington, and members of the merchant marine committee of the House, have laid before President Taft a bill introduced at the last session with amendments that have since been made. The amended bill met the approval of the president.

Further than to say that the amended bill is neither a straight ship subsidy measure proposing to subsidize by tonnage and voyage, nor a mail subsidy bill, no members of the committee would tell of its provisions.

It is known, however, that the amendments were worked out with the aid of the Merchant Marine League, which has its headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio, and the bill will have the support of the organization.

WOMAN FROZEN TO DEATH

Chicago, Dec. 27.—With scarcely enough clothing to cover her body, but wearing a wedding ring which might have paid for shelter and saved her life, the body of Mrs. Josephine Zimmerman who is said to have been homebound was found frozen under the Northwestern viaduct at Halsted street.

Besides the wedding ring two other rings were found on her fingers and earrings were in her ears. In contrast, the condition of the scanty clothing revealed complete destitution.

RETURNED UNOPPOSED

Orangeville, Dec. 27.—John A. Best, of Mulmur, has been elected by acclamation as member of the Dominion House from Dufferin. The seat was formerly held by Dr. Barr, who died suddenly recently. No Liberal candidate was nominated.

LLOYD GEORGE OPENS CAMPAIGN

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The "Holy Inquisition."

It is true that until the next general election the brewers could have had no contribution to the building of a couple of Dreadnoughts. Is that so dangerous a calamity that the House of Lords should intervene? What, then, was the danger? A few millionaires, or rather a few heirs of millionaires, might, in the course of the next year or two, if they were so fortunate as to have two millions left to them, have to pay a little more to the country. (Hear, hear.) But Lord Rothschild said, "Worse than that—the holy inquisition! It is for the super-tax? He would have been obliged to reveal his income. Intolerable! I beg his pardon—does he know that at the present moment hundreds of thousands of tradesmen and professional men, small people, it is true, have just the same objection to reveal their incomes, or their lack of incomes, and would be just as glad to get off by paying half what they ought to pay—as any lord or duke in the land. They have got to submit to it, and they are doing it. Lord Rothschild says, "What! are you going in this country to make the same law for me and for my grocer? Out with the bill! We cannot stand that." (Loud cheers and laughter.) Those days have gone, and the sooner these noble lords reconcile themselves to that the better for their peace of mind.

Oh! they say, but there is unemployment. Lord Rosebery said so, Lord Rosebery's speeches are very curious productions. (Laughter and "Hear, hear.") They are extremely interesting and picturesque and very eloquent, but they always remind me of the parable of the virgins. Some of his arguments are wise and some of them are foolish—the only difference is that they are not as equally distributed. What could be more—I am sorry to use the word, because I have great respect for Lord Rosebery and great admiration for him—I really have—and a curious sort of thing—for him—what could have been really more silly than that statement about foreign bonds ballasting the ships going from this country abroad? If that is true, it means that we were unloading foreign bonds as quickly as we could. (Cheers.) Then, as to trade, he said since this budget was introduced there had been complete stagnation. If he had only just looked at the figures—as a matter of fact the only figures he interests himself in are figures of foreign trade of this country, our international trade, imports and exports, have gone up by twenty-five millions since this wretched budget was brought in. (Cheers.) And then there is unemployment. Really, this is so important because they are making so much of it—I am going to give you the actual figures. Look at them. The budget was introduced on April 29th last. In April of last year the unemployment of this country was 7.1 per cent. By the month of October it went up to 4.5—a gigantic increase this time last year. What happened this year? The effect of the budget upon unemployment was instantaneous. The unemployment figures in April were 4.2. By October they had gone down to 7.1 per cent—a decrease as compared with last year of 25 per cent. (Cheers.) What is the good of talking about this increasing unemployment when you have got this fact, that steadily the figures have gone down and are still steadily improving. That has been the effect upon unemployment, and that will be the effect, if I do not say that this allocation, which has been due entirely to the act of the Lords, will not have an injurious effect. Of course it will upon the money market, and that will react upon trade and commerce. But why should they put that upon our shoulders? It is entirely their doing and not ours. (Cheers.)

Reference to the People

But they have not rejected the budget. They have only referred it to the people. On what principle do they refer bills to the people? I remember a bill. I remember the election of 1900, when the most powerful member of the Tory cabinet said that the Nonconformists could vote with absolute safety for the government, because no question on which they were interested would be raised. In two years there was a bill destroyed for that dislocation, which has been due entirely to the act of the Lords, will not have an injurious effect. Of course it will upon the money market, and that will react upon trade and commerce. But why should they put that upon our shoulders? It is entirely their doing and not ours. (Cheers.)

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2,200-4 ROOM HOUSE, modern, Menzies street, 1 minute from car; \$400 cash and balance \$200 per month at 5 per cent.

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DO NOT PROCRASTINATE. BUY TO-DAY. YATES STREET, Close to Vancouver Street, LOT 60 x 120.

With Cottage thereon with a revenue of \$15 monthly.

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The above price holds good for this week only.

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YATES ST.—Corner Lot; \$5,500.

DOUGLAS ST.—Near In; 50x120; brick building; good rentals; \$21,000.

JOHNSON ST., west of Cook, one lot; \$3,000.

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MEDINA ST.—One lot; \$1,450.

TOLLER & GRUBB 1232 GOVERNMENT ST.

FOR SALE. 1 1/2 ACRES fronting on Elk Lake; large new house, barn and stables; an ideal spot; land partly cleared; also if required an additional 25 acres; \$5,500.

\$150 CASH and \$15 per month will buy house of 6 rooms; new, large flower and vegetable garden; \$2,100.

2 ACRES cleared land, Mount Tolmie; \$1,600.

HOUSE of 1 1/2 story, large lot, close to tram car; \$1,200.

BURNSIDE ROAD—7-roomed house; easy terms; \$3,000.

50 ACRES—Metchosin district, stock and implements; \$4,000.

HODGSON REALTY 1214 GOVERNMENT STREET (Upstairs).

2 LOTS, 60 x 120 each. Herald Street, close to Government, \$15,000.

LOT, Store Street, 25 x 60, \$5,000.

LOT, Chatham Street, next to corner, 60 x 120, \$10,000.

COTTAGE, Cook Street, near Johnson Street, \$1,500.

COTTAGE, Mason Street, \$1,500.

APPENDICITIS DID NOT STOP WEDDING Kamloops Couple Married in Vancouver General Hospital.

Cupid and appendicitis had a battle royal Wednesday at the Vancouver General hospital; Cupid was an easy winner, says the Vancouver Province. The principals in the event, aside from appendicitis, were Miss Ethel Cochrane, matron of the hospital at Kamloops, and Mr. Arthur Edward Meighan, also a resident of Kamloops. The bride reached Vancouver a week ago Wednesday. The same night she was taken violently ill of appendicitis, and the following day operated upon. Wednesday was her wedding day, and rather than postpone the event it was decided to celebrate the nuptials in the hospital. Members of the hospital staff took a lively interest in the event. The nurses decorated the room with Christmas green, and a beautiful wedding bell was hung over the bed. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. Milliken, pastor of Wesley church. The bridesmaid was Miss Josephine Campbell, and the groomsmen Dr. Turnbull.

SIX MONTHS FOR DEFRAUDING MERCHANT Man Sentenced for Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

New Westminster, Dec. 25.—In the police court, William H. McCormick, the Prince Rupert high financier, pleaded guilty to a charge of obtaining money under false pretences and was given six months in all by Magistrate Corbould.

On October 23rd he had cashed a worthless cheque on the Royal Bank of Port Moody at Bryson & Sons' store, and the police have been looking for him since that time. They found out that he was in Prince Rupert but waited until he came down to Vancouver on a holiday trip the other day before they arrested him.

High Constable was found guilty of stealing two strips from the Heaton of the Lytton hotel, and was given three months.

I. STUART YATES 22 BASTION STREET, VICTORIA.

FOR SALE. 20 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke Harbor.

TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses in good condition, on easy terms.

THREE LOTS—On Yates street, with 10 stores, bringing in good rentals.

TO RENT—Large wharf at foot of Yates street, rent \$120 per month.

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For further particulars apply to above address.

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SNAP. FORT STREET. 194 ft. 10 in. by 188, splendid proposition for building purposes, \$2,500.00.

THIRTEEN LOTS. Well situated, can be had at a bargain if sold quickly, \$5,000.00.

TWO HOUSES AND LOT on View street, will rent, \$6,300.00.

MONEY TO LOAN, FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE.

R. W. COLEMAN Real Estate and Insurance. 1230 GOVERNMENT ST., Telephone 302.

SNAP. I have a few fine lots. Good soil, high and dry.

Within one and a half miles of the City Hall.

Which will be sold while they last for \$250.

TERMS \$50 cash and \$10 a month.

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START THE NEW YEAR WITH ONE OF THESE BEAUTIFUL 4 ROOM BUNGALOW, new, just completed, paneled hall, pressed brick fire places, closets off every room, bath room, scullery, toilet, pantry. This is a model house, has a fine view of the sea from large veranda and windows; the ceilings are high and airy and the rooms are large; it is heated with a new furnace, just installed; situated in 2 lots, cleared, one block from the street car, in Hollywood Park. This place is worth easily \$6,000, but in order to have it occupied at once we will sell for \$4,500. Terms, \$500 cash and the balance at \$50 per month.

BUSINESS PROPERTY—Situate on Johnson street, close to Government street, lot 38x120; improvements worth \$6,000; rented on 5 years' lease to pay 10 per cent on \$18,000; price \$18,000; terms, 1-3 cash, balance arranged.

BEECHWOOD AVE.—2 cleared lots, one block from car, fine view of sea, all cleared, on terms \$25 cash and \$30 per month; price \$900.

6 ROOM BUNGALOW, on good, clean street, boulevards, etc., stone foundation, full basement, cement tubs, furnace; price \$2,000, easy terms.

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IF YOU WANT TO BUY YOURSELF A RESIDENCE, which is first-class at the price, and is in a desirable locality, close to city, practically on two car lines, you had better investigate my proposition at \$3,990. Terms \$700 cash, balance monthly, on nice lot 60x120.

HARMAN & APPLETON 334 YATES STREET. All particulars of Gordon Head properties. If you are looking for a good fruit ranch give us a call.

170 ACRES, Cowichan Lake, 3/4 miles water frontage, good land, stream through property, \$40 per acre.

CENTRAL CITY HOTEL, Suburban Granary. CLOVERDALE AVE., 4-roomed new bungalow with bath and every latest conveniences; large attic (unfinished), cement foundation, large basement, half an acre garden, terms if required, \$2,500.

FIFTY ACRES, all good level land near Nanaimo, \$80 per acre. Offers wanted for two of the best pieces of central city properties.

WILLIAM C. HOLT Contractor and Builder, 485 GARBALLY RD. PHONE 13443.

FOR SALE. NEW 6-ROOMED HOUSE, cement foundation, furnace and all modern improvements; 4 1/2 acres garden; Douglas street car, Burnside road and Dunedin street. Price, \$2,500—Terms. Buy of the builder and save money.

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DUNEDIN STREET—Seven-roomed modern bungalow; good basement; lot 60 x 120. This is a good dwelling and can be had on easy terms.

NORTH PARK STREET—Five-roomed cottage with all modern conveniences; good barn; fruit trees; lot 50 x 140. Price \$3,500. \$500 cash, balance on monthly payments.

CORNER of North Park St. and Cook St., building containing baby shop and good corner for grocery store, with living rooms above. There is also a good stable in the rear. This will be sold at a reasonable figure, and is now producing a good rental. Price and terms on application.

BUSINESS LOT on Yates St., just above Vancouver St., for \$2,000; \$2,500 cash, balance to be arranged.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE JAMES, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," to all persons claiming to be creditors of the above-named deceased, or having goods in his hands for repair or otherwise, to deliver to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of January, A. D. 1940, full particulars of their claims, verified by statutory declaration. After said date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 26th day of November, 1939. R. WALLIS, 618 Bastion Square, Victoria, B. C., Solicitor for the Executors.

Houses Built ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN D. H. Bale Contractor & Builder COR. FORT AND STADACONA AVE. Phone 1140.

PHONE 97 FOR YOUR Wood and Coal R. DAVERNE

NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT. Notice is hereby given that the Cameron Lumber Company, Limited, having its registered office in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, is applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in that part of the waters of Victoria Harbor known as Selkirk Water, between Point Ellice bridge and Hallett Island, being on the lands situated, lying and being in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and known, numbered and described as Lot "D," Garbally Estate, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the Registrar-General of Titles in the Land Registry Office, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and that the matter of the said application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice in the Canada Gazette.

Dated this 14th day of December, A.D. 1939. CAMERON LUMBER COMPANY, LIMITED. Per D. O. CAMERON, Secretary.

Y. M. C. A. A CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION. GIVE YOUR BOY A Y. M. C. A. TICKET. He will get a whole year's healthy fun out of it.

Boys 12 to 14, \$3.00 per year. Boys 14 to 18, \$5.00 per year. Men's membership, full, \$7.00 per year.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co. CLEARED LANDS. The cleared lots at Qualicum Beach, Newcastle District are now on the market in tracts of from thirty to forty acres.

For plans and prices apply to L. H. SOLLY, Land Agent, Victoria, or L. E. ALLIN, Local Agent, Parksville.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT." In the matter of an application for Duplicate Certificates of Title to Subdivisions 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Lot 21A; Lots 16 and 15, Block 7; Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 5, Church Reserve, and Lots 115 and 116, Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof to issue Duplicate Certificates of Title to above Lots, issued to Wynand Thomas Ogilvy Hamley on the 29th November, 1931, 11th December, 1932, 23th March, 1933, 15th May, 1933, 10th February, 1934 and 23rd March, 1935, and numbered 385, 390, 1916, 4916, 5925, and 6266 respectively.

S. V. WOODTON, Registrar-General of Titles, Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., the 26th day of December, 1939.



PUBLICITY EFFORTS OF PRINCE RUPERT

Good Work Being Done by People of the Northern City.

Prince Rupert, Dec. 25.—The report of the executive council of the Prince Rupert Publicity Club, read at the last meeting, was a most comprehensive and encouraging one. The meeting was well attended, by-laws were read and adopted, nominations took place, and different matters of timely interest were discussed.

The report, read by J. J. von Dohlen, was in part as follows: "Over 4,000 prospectuses of the city of Prince Rupert, a copy of which was sent to all residents of Prince Rupert, have been distributed by the club, 10,000 have been shipped to the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, and 10,000 additional copies ordered; specially by about twenty of our business firms for their own use, and at their own expense, are now in press. With the balance of over 5,000 still on hand, the club will have issued a total of 30,000 copies when those now on hand are distributed."

The club is in a good financial position at the present time. The assets are over the liabilities, and new members are coming in very rapidly, forty having joined since last November.

The council expects to begin an active campaign of publicity through the high different sources, all of which will tend to increase our population and our membership in the club.

The council have decided that the most appropriate form of an emblem to be worn by members, would be a small flag button, bearing only the slogan of the club, G.T.P.R., with the accompanying letters, so as to read "Go To Prince Rupert," and a committee having this matter in charge have ordered, with the approval of the executive council, 250 buttons to be distributed to members free of charge, 50 rolled gold buttons to be sold to members or their friends at \$1 each, and 50 brooches for ladies' use at the same figure. The committee reported that the shipment can be expected before the annual meeting of the club next month.

FUNERAL OF GIBSON YARROW. Nanaimo, Dec. 25.—The funeral of the late Gibson Yarrow took place Friday afternoon from the family residence, Nicol street, to the Halliburton Street Methodist church where services were conducted by the Rev. Boulton. The cortege then wended its way to the Nanaimo cemetery, where the interment took place, services being conducted by Rev. Boulton and by the officers of the local lodge Black Diamond No. 5, I. O. O. F., of which lodge deceased was an honored and respected member.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. Alex. Anderson, Alex. Coombs, Wm. Newton, Harry McKenzie, Jos. Nixon and Ellis Rogers.

GETS TEN YEARS. Chatham, Ont., Dec. 27.—Fritz Diehn, alias Chapman, convicted of swindling a valise containing over \$1,000 at Tilbury over a year ago, was sentenced to ten years in penitentiary. Diehn is now 44 years old, and is a noted crook.

PAY ROLL OF CROW'S NEST MINES INCREASES Totalled \$170,000 for November—Output of Coal is Growing.

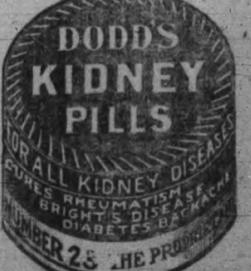
Fernie, Dec. 25.—The people of Fernie still wear the smile that won't come off. With the repeated monthly announcements of the regularly increasing payroll and tonnage of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company the smile has been perceptibly broadening for the past six months. Present indications are that the smile will continue to expand for some time to come.

The payroll for the month of November amounts to some \$170,000. Of this amount approximately \$100,000 was paid to the employees in Fernie and Coal Creek. The payroll has been gradually increasing for the past six months and the coal output has grown in proportion.

During the last fifteen working days the tonnage has never fallen below the four thousand mark, and under the present system of mine development there is every reason to believe that the year 1940 will still be green when five thousand tons of coal per day are being mined.

George Marks, the West Ham, London, boy who stole a yacht at Colishall in which he sailed thirty miles to Yarmouth, where he put to sea, was committed by the Aylesham bench to a reformatory ship for four years.

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Land Surveyors
THOS. H. PARR, British Columbia land surveyor, Room 5, Five Sisters Block, Victoria.
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COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F. meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows Hall, Douglas street. R. W. Fawcett, Rec. Sec., 227 Government street.

COURT CARIBOO, No. 70, I. O. F. meets on second and fourth Monday of each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets. Visiting Foresters welcomed. P. R. Secy., Fred N. J. White, 604 Brighton street. J. W. H. King, R. Sec., 1261 Pandora street.

K. OF P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora Sts. J. L. Smith, K. of R. & S. Box 541.
VICTORIA, No. 17, K. of P. meets at K. of P. Hall, every Thursday, D. S. Mowat, K. of R. & S. Box 166.

A. O. F. COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 585, meets at Forester's Hall, Broad street, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. P. Pullerton, Secy.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT" (BEING CHAPTER 115 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA, 1906).
Take notice that John Raymond, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, in pursuance of Section 7 of the above Act, has deposited the plans of a wharf and a description of the proposed site thereof to be constructed upon part of and in front of lots 524 and 524A, Victoria City, in the Province of British Columbia, in the office of the Registrar-General of Titles at Victoria, British Columbia, being the Registrar of deeds for the district in which such work is to be constructed.

And take notice that at the expiration of one month from the date hereof application will be made to the Governor in Council for the approval thereof.
Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this day of December, 1909.
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NOTICE—Owing to increasing business we have removed to larger and more convenient premises, No. 305 Douglas street, between Discovery and Penny brook streets. Palmyra Cleaning Works.

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W.M. J. WROGLESWORTH—All kinds of fresh, salted or frozen fish in season. Free delivery to all parts of city. 675 Johnson St. Phone R331.

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WANTED—Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, sacks, and all kinds of rubbish and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 1029 Store street. Phone 1228.

Landscape Gardener
E. J. LANG, Landscape and Jobbing Gardener. Tree pruning and spraying a specialty. Residence, 1023 Pandora Ave. Phone 1421. Office, Wilketon & Brown's Greenhouse, corner Cook and Fort streets.

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FRASER & MORRISON, successors to J. McCurrach. Highest grade of serge and wools, alterations and reweaving. Pioneer Building, corner R. Brown, 1123 Broad St., Victoria, B. C.

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OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY'S EXPERIENCE and fine, modern equipment in the service of my patrons. No charge for examination. Latest ground on the premises. A. P. Blyth, 645 Fort street. Phone 229.

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Patents
FOR PARTICULARS about patents, send for booklet. Ben. B. Fannett, Ottawa, Ontario.

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MONEY LOANED on diamonds, jewelry and personal effects. A. A. Aaronson, cor. Johnson and Broad.

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HEATING AND PLUMBING—J. Warner & Co., Ltd., 531 Fisgard street, above St. Charles street. Phone 1270; residence, R279.

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SEWER PIPE, Field Tile, Ground Fire Clay, Flower Pots, etc., Pottery Co., Ltd., corner Broad and Pandora streets, Victoria, B. C.

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JOHN PRIOR, Scavenger. Leave orders at Empire Clear Store, 1415 Douglas St. Phone 22.

Second-Hand Goods
BUTLER, J. R.—Successor to A. J. Winstons, dealer in second-hand furniture, stoves, books, etc., 321 Yates, corner Quadra, Tel. R128.

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, shot guns, revolvers, overcoats, etc. Highest cash prices paid. Will call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 579 Johnson street, doors below Government St. Phone 1747.

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STUMP PULLER—Made in 3 sizes, for sale or for hire. Contracts taken. J. A. Atton, 425 Bute, cor. Broad and Victoria. Phone A781.

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PHONE 1283 FOR JEPSON TRANSFER—Trucking and Expressing. Yates St. stand, above Broad. Orders left at Atton's, telephone 1061. Residence, 252 Michigan street.

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VICTORIA TRUCK AND DRAY CO.—Telephone 13. Stable-Phone 1783.

Turkish Baths
621 FORT ST.—Phone 1886. Will be open till 11 p. m. Ladies days are: Mondays from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., and Fridays from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Swedish massage.

Watch Repairing
A. PETCH, 59 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

Y. W. C. A.
FOR THE BENEFIT of young women in or out of employment. Rooms and board. A home from home. 912 Pandora avenue.

Floor Sweeping Compound, Etc.
DUSTLESS WAXINE—For floors, tiles, linoleums and carpets. 25 lbs., 25¢. Ambrosine Floor Oil, \$1 per gallon. Tinsany Soap, removes dirt quickly. Tinsany surface, 2 lbs., 50¢. Tinsany Metal Polish, sample pint cans, 25¢. Special prices for quantities. Ask for free samples. The Tinsany Co., 1023 Douglas St. (next City Hall). Travelers wanted and lady waitresses. Call from 6 to 9 p. m.

Incandescent Lamps
THE BRIGHTEST of all lamps is the Star Mantle Lamp. Burns coal oil; makes its own gas; three hours' brilliant light for one cent. Price \$7 complete. Free demonstration at your own home, or see it 6 to 9 p. m. at 302 Douglas street (next City Hall). Agents, wanted. Thomas Wilkinson.

NOTICE
THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, they will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, B. C., for a renewal of their license for selling intoxicating liquors at the premises known as The Hudson's Bay House, situated at Telegraph Creek in the District of Cassiar, to commence the 1st day of January, 1910.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY. FOR JAS. THOMSON, 26th November, 1909.

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Agents Wanted
MEN WANTED in every locality in Canada to make \$20 per week, plus per day expenses awaiting own goods, posting up showcards, in all conspicuous places. Work generally representing a steady work to night men. No experience required. Write for particulars, Royal Remedy Co., London, Ont., Canada.

Exchange
EXCHANGES—We have farms to exchange for residence property, and also vacant lots to exchange for residence property. What have you to offer? Porter & Co., Mahon Bldg.

For Rent—Houses
FOR RENT—5 roomed modern cottage, 2619 Duff street, rent \$18. Apply Dack & Johnson, 615 Johnson street. 422 if

FOR RENT—4 roomed house, with large garden and stable, located in 13 per day. Apply to 13 per day. Apply to 13 per day.

FURNISHED COTTAGES TO LET, with electric light, bath, hot and cold water. Apply to M. R. Smith, Sea View, 104 Dallas road. 227 if

For Sale—Acreage
AN XMAS PRESENT—100-acre farm, Salt Spring Island, close to three wharves, two hundred fruit trees, buildings, etc., \$2,000, easy terms. Apply Tel. R122.

FOR SALE—Section 25, Highlands District, close to main street, 100-acre tract, very good bottom land, fishing lake on property, good hunting; price \$1,500. Write P. O. Box 263, Vancouver, B. C. 115

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ACRES for sale in Highland District, close to main street, 100-acre tract, very good bottom land, fishing lake on property, good hunting; price \$1,500. Write P. O. Box 263, Vancouver, B. C. 115

WANTED—To buy, prairie land in exchange for Victoria home, containing 5 acres of land, mixed little with rocks and good land, suitable for chickens and fruits, only 2 1/2 miles from city, now a 4 roomed house, fruit trees, and fine water piped all over the place, plenty of fuel, land all enclosed. Apply to P. O. Box 83, Victoria.

For Sale—Articles
FRANKLIN WOOD HEATER, good as new, cheap. 2391 Spring road.

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XMAS PRESENTS—A chance to obtain your Xmas gifts at your own price. Selling at 40% below cost. Auction sale every Saturday afternoon 2:30, and evening 7:30. Alaska Bazaar, 1129 Government street.

FOR SALE—Tools, guns, clothing, crockery, scales, etc., in large quantity. At Second-Hand Store, 1015 Douglas St., opposite Alley. Johnson street, opposite Passages Theatre.

GREENHOUSES, flat bottom boats, hanging ladders, steps, meat safe, dog house, in stock and made to order. Jones, Capital Carpenter and Jobbing Factory, 1005 Yates St., cor. of Vancouver St.

FOR SALE—Gents' gold filled chains, 18 ct. brilliants, with necklaces, 22 ct. English rolled gold cuff buttons, 22 ct. boys' watches, \$1.50. All goods neatly packed for Christmas. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 579 Johnson St., doors below Government, Victoria, B. C. Phone 1747.

FOR ALTERATIONS, repairs and jobbing, call on J. W. Bolden, 425 Bute street, corner Fort and Quadra. Tel. 1282.

CHOICE FIR DOORS, sash, mouldings, etc., at lowest prices. Moore & Whittington, Yates street.

FOR SALE—One first-class cow, newly calved; ten small pigs; also buggies, light wagon, horses and harness. Apply to I. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 635 Discovery, or Mitchell street, Oak Bay.

For Sale—Houses
FOR SALE—New five and six roomed houses, corner Work and Market, off Douglas street, all modern conveniences, bath, etc. Owner, 1048 Fisgard St.

A SNAP FOR MONDAY—\$1,750 buys a six roomed house of this street, 923 cash, and \$50 a month for three months; balance at the rate of \$3 a month; a good buy. Forter & Co., Mahon Bldg.

FERNWOOD ROAD—5 room cottage, bath, electric light, hot and cold water, fine foundation, price \$2,500. Call on N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

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For Sale—Lots
THE CHEAPEST YET—Good level building lot, Craigflower road, just outside city limits. No city taxes to pay. 2500 sq. ft. water. Acreage \$500; will sell \$300. Box 264.

A DRAWING for lot 60 x 120 with 2 cottages on Frances Ave., will take place January 15th, at Maynard & Sons' auction rooms, T. Brooks.

A SNAP—Douglas street, 120 x 120, near Frances Ave., \$1,000. Terms. Apply Tel. R162.

INVESTORS—We have several good buys in prime locations. Large real estate investment for investors. Forter & Co., Mahon Bldg.

PRIOR STREET—Four lots, fronting on two streets, a beautiful building site overlooking the entire city and straits; price \$2,500. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

VIEW STREET—Near Vancouver street, 60 x 120 lot; price \$200. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

YATES STREET—Between Vancouver and Quadra streets, lot 60 x 120; price \$500. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

EMPRESS AVENUE—Two lots between Vancouver and Quadra streets; price \$1,000. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

QUEEN'S AVENUE—One lot facing new City Park; price \$250. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

DOUGLAS STREET—Near Dundas street, lot; price \$200. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

AMPHION STREET—Lot near Oak Bay Ave.; price \$250. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

RHOAL BAY—Large lot, 80 x 25 feet, between Shoal Bay and Oak Bay car line, first-class soil; price \$200, easy terms. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

SNAP—Full size lot in Central Park, on Princess avenue, near new City Park, and only 7 minutes' walk from business centre; for quick sale, \$750. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR SALE—Block of 8 beautifully situated lots adjoining reservoir, four 60 ft. x 120 ft. and four 60 ft. x 121 ft. 2 in., \$400 each. \$25 per lot down, balance to suit. Sub-division of 23 choice lots \$225 each; \$50 per lot down, balance to suit. Would exchange either of the above for city real property. Apply proprietor, Fetherston, Mount Temple P. O. 315

FOR SALE—Fine lot, Oak Bay avenue, 60 x 120 feet junction. Price \$250. Phone R146.

Help Wanted—Female
WANTED—Two girls in range room, Victoria Steam Laundry. 429

WANTED—Girl to assist nurse with two children during daytime. Apply to Mrs. Henry Martin, 559 St. Charles st. 427

WANTED—A young girl to wash dishes at the Sandringham, 1212 Douglas street. No Sunday work.

WANTED—Ladies to do plain and light sewing at home, whole or spare time, good pay; work sent any distance, charges paid; send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Co., Montreal.

WANTED—A competent cook, good salary. Apply 593 Yates.

WANTED—A daily governess for girl of thirteen. Apply Box 745, Times Office.

Rooms and Board
WANTED—Furnished room, modern, car, 235 Menzies.

FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET—Facing Beach Hill park, all modern conveniences and improvements. Theo. Philley, phone 698, 1110 Government St. 426

GORDON HOUSE, 308 Blanchard street, modern rooming house, latest conveniences. Tel. 1241.

WANTED—Two young men to share bedroom and board, \$1.50. 723 Fisgard St. city.

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THE POPLARS, corner house, facing Empress Hotel, room and board, moderate.

LARGE furnished front room for two men; also hotelkeeping room, cheap. 1023 Pandora.

THE "OAKS"—The only modern rooming house in Victoria. Steam heat, hot and cold running water and private telephone in all rooms. Every thing new and up-to-date. Special monthly rates to permanent roomers. 877 McClure St., corner Blanchard, Collinson and McCorrie Sts. Tel. 211. J. Higueras, Prop.

MAPLEHURST, 1567 Blanchard street. Rooms and board, also table board; best table in city; strictly white help.

For Sale—Wood
FOR SALE—Good wood, 4 ft., \$3.50; cut, \$4.50. Burt's Wood Yard, 1124.

READY TO BURN—Clean mill wood, large size small, to suit. Phone Hull, 1124.

Rooms for Housekeeping
HOUSEKEEPING AND BEDROOMS—625 Humboldt St., opp. Empress hotel. 25

ROOMS for light housekeeping, 1719 Stanley Ave. 219

BED, bed-sitting and housekeeping rooms, bath, electric light. Fort street, 87 Fort street. 421

Lost and Found
FOUND—A gold ring. Apply 1613 Fairfield road. 427

Teachers Wanted
TEACHER WANTED for the Parkville school. Robt. J. Craig, secretary, French Creek P. O. 21

WANTED—A teacher for the William Head school. Apply Secretary, William Head, B. C. 4241

A LADY TEACHER WANTED for the school at Hanford duties to begin 1st of January. Apply to Mrs. A. T. McKay, Secy. of School Board, Banfield. 422

For Sale—Machinery
SAFES—All styles and all sizes. If you have a safe that is too small, we can exchange it for a new one. The Canadian Safe Co., Limited, Vancouver.

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Personal
\$500 REWARD—I promise to pay five hundred dollars to the first person who will tell the editor of the Victoria-Daily Times the names of the C. Authorized British and Canadian History on which the answers to the following questions are to be found: Who is the present Premier of Canada? of British Columbia? of England? of Australia? Who is the present Governor-General of Canada? Viceroy of India? Governor of British Columbia? If the answers cannot be found in the text-books that prove that Premier McBride failed to carry out the resolution of the school trustees convention, and that the education department did violate the law, which says questions must be "as prescribed text." J. N. Muir. 421

WILL THE GENTLEMEN and young boys who had back seats in rows "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J," "K," "L," "M," "N," "O," "P," "Q," "R," "S," "T," "U," "V," "W," "X," "Y," "Z," please show up on December 11th last, please send their address to Box 983, Times Office. 427

FLASHLIGHT PHOTOS taken of home festivities. Send to Blair & Cuming, 138 Government street. 44

TO LET—A small farm, for a term of years, very cheap to a responsible person. For terms, call on J. A. McKay, 424 Times Office. Address Box 424, Times Office. 414 if

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Good Tea and Coffee For New Year Guests

Doubtless your friends would appreciate our unmatched blends of "Dixi" Tea and "Dixi" Coffee.

DIXI TEA
Noted throughout Western Canada for its rich flavor and fine bouquet. Per lb., \$1.50 and 35c. Three pounds for \$1.00

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We have a lot of very pretty AUSTRIAN ORNAMENTS from 25c. FRUIT SETS from \$1.75. Children's books and many other books suitable for presents.

John T. Deaville, Prop.

Stewart Williams & Co.

Will continue the Sale of Curios, Etc. at The Alaska Bazaar 1120 Government Street. At 8 o'clock To-Night And on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday AT 2:30 O'CLOCK, And on THURSDAY AND FRIDAY AT 8 O'CLOCK.

Stewart Williams, the Auctioneer

Stewart Williams & Co.

Duly instructed by the executor of the late Mrs. Wallace, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION at 1116 FORT STREET JUST ABOVE COOK STREET, TO-MORROW AT 2 O'CLOCK, A QUANTITY OF

Household Furniture and Effects

Including Large Range, Cooking Utensils, 2 Kitchen Tables, Kitchen Chairs, Sewing Machine, Linoleum, Dinner Service, Tea Sets, Crockery, Glassware, Cutlery, Ek. Table, Walnut Sideboard, Chairs, Arm Chairs, a quantity of Books, several Up. Arm Chairs, Oc. Tables, Jardinieres, Soties, Sofa, Wicker Chairs, several double and single Iron Bedsteads, Spring and Top Mattresses, Blankets, Pillows, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Bureaus and Washstands, Toilet Ware, Jugs, Vases, 2 Lawn Mowers, Hose, Tools, Lady's Bicycle, Curtains, Large Chest of Drawers, Jam Jars, Clock, Carpets, Matting, Rugs and other goods too numerous to mention.

On view the morning of the sale.

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Of course you'll want a fresh supply for New Year's Day. And of course you know this store is headquarters for Apples of Quality.

WINE SAPS, per box \$3.25
BLACK TWIG, per box \$3.00
GANO, per box \$3.00
YORK IMPERIAL, per box \$3.00
ROME BEAUTY, per box \$3.00

The West End Grocery Co., Ltd.
1002 Government St. Tels. 88 and 1761

JAPANESE AND CHINESE FOOTBALL PLAYERS FIGHT

Police Summoned to Quell Riot Which Follows Game in San Francisco.

(Times Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27.—Three Japanese football players were injured yesterday in a free-for-all fight which followed the second annual contest between the Chinese Imperial eleven and the Japanese Fuji teams playing the American game. All of the players and many of the Oriental spectators joined in the hostilities, which were continued until a riot call summoned a squad of police to the grounds. One of the injured, T. Oaki, suffered a possible fracture of the skull, and Y. Kawamura was treated at the hospital for five gashes, made with some sharp instrument, and numerous bruises and contusions. The other Japanese player was slightly injured.

The game resulted in a victory for the Japanese team by a score of 19 to 0.

The Chinese players took the ball from the field. The Japanese believed they had won possession of the ball by winning the game, and set out to recapture it. A fight followed, which waged all over the field. Umbrellas, sticks, stones and knives were brought into play, and when the police arrived three of the Japanese were down.

STORM SWEEPS EASTERN STATES

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Traffic Delayed.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—After being totally paralyzed since early yesterday by the worst storm Western Pennsylvania has known in years, the railroad systems resumed operations to-day, but little was done to move trains and the thousands of passengers delayed by the storm remained at their hotels without braving the storm to get to railroad stations. The predictions of more snow and colder weather blanketed the hopes of the railroad officials who figured on relieving the local passenger and freight congestion by to-night.

The trolley lines found operation to Pittsburgh almost impossible, due to ice on the wires and tracks and many factories dependent on suburban workmen were running on not more than half force.

Wire communication from the East is slow. Due to the uncertainty of train dispatching it is not known just how many trains from the East are stalled.

Blizzard Rages.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—All trains are very late as a result of the blizzard which has been sweeping the Atlantic seaboard for the last 48 hours. President Taft decided not to start for New York, where he had intended to speak to-night. The railroad has warned him that he was not likely to arrive on time, as it is practically impossible to send a train through on time.

ENDS HIS LIFE BY DRINKING POISON

Son of New York Attorney Commits Suicide in Seattle.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—Fearful that his mind was weakening and that he would end his life in a madhouse, Raymond Lloyd, aged 35 years, son of Attorney H. P. Lloyd, of New York city, a graduate in the class of '94, and a scion of one of the oldest and most prominent families of the East, committed suicide in a room on Union street early to-day by drinking an ounce of carbolic acid. He was unmarried.

Lloyd had resided in Seattle since November, and for several days past had acted in a most eccentric manner. He was employed by a life insurance company and bore an excellent reputation. Lloyd's father was formerly a law partner of President Taft in Cincinnati.

The following telegram, evidently from Lloyd's father, was found in his room:

"Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Dear Raymond: I hope the darkness will soon break for you and Christmas Day will bring pleasant thoughts of olden times when we were an unbroken family and all so happy together. (Signed) H. P. L."

MADRIZ RULES WITH FIRM HAND

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Santos Rameriz, Zelaya's chief of telegraph, also has been arrested. He is charged with having sent a telegram in the name of President Madriz, ordering the government troops to abandon their strong positions.

May Bring Zelaya to Time.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—All indications to-day strengthen the belief that is general here that the state department is unmistakably skeptical concerning the reform programme proposed by Jose Madriz, the new president of Nicaragua. Madriz's reform declarations undoubtedly will not be accepted by the United States government as sincere until a prolonged and thorough scrutiny proves that the last taint of "Zelayism" has been eradicated from Nicaragua.

It is rumored that former President Zelaya may yet have to answer to this country for the summary execution of two of his subjects, Leonard Groce and

This Week's Values

IN all our forty-seven years of business in this city, we have never had a holiday season to equal the one just closed. This season's business has exceeded any we have ever enjoyed. Of course "times" are good—prosperity smiles upon this grand Western Land—but there was another reason: Months ago, careful planning and expert buying laid the foundations. We never had such magnificent stock as this year, and it is gratifying to us that Victorians should show such a generous appreciation of our efforts to please.

The heavy buying has left many broken assortments, and during the last three days several shipments arrived which we were unable to place on display. All these lines must be cleared, so look for interesting values this coming week.

If you have received a gift from some unexpected source, or you have forgotten some friend, why not send a New Year's gift? Here's the place to save on the purchase. Five floors of gifts at Victoria's fairest prices—always.

Choose Some Warm Bedding To-day

Lots More Cold Nights Before Winter Goes



THE FROST KING still holds the town in its grip—and prospects of more cold weather before Winter passes into Spring-time. Why delay purchasing warmer bedding? The better plan is to make the purchases now and get the full service. We have made the matter of choosing easy indeed—have gathered one of the most comprehensive assortments of Winter bedding ever offered Victorians, and have priced these magnificent articles so that they'll work no hardship to any purse.

Come in and see the best wool blankets from Scotland, the handsome down quilts from England and the cotton comforts that are the pick of Canada and the United States. Pleased to show you the stocks whether you purchase or not.

ALL-WOOL BLANKETS, from, per pair \$3.50
McLINTOCK'S DOWN QUILTS, from, each \$5.50
MAISH COTTON COMFORTS, from, each \$2.75

Improve Your Diningroom With This Furniture

"MISSION STYLE" DININGROOMS ARE DECIDEDLY POPULAR NOW

THE popular style of diningroom nowadays is the diningroom fitted up in Mission style. The cost is little and the effect of carefully chosen furniture and hangings surprising. No other Western store shows such a complete stock of Mission furniture and no other is so well equipped to "fix up" your diningroom in this way. We stock a broad showing of suitable carpets, curtains and hangings and can promise you saving prices on the complete room's furnishings.

- Mission Style Dining Tables from \$15**
We show many styles in extension dining tables in the Mission design—finished in that popular Early English finish. Round and square styles in regular and pedestal designs are offered and there is a style and a price to suit you here. See what an excellent range we offer at from \$15 to \$45
- Mission Style Dining Chairs from \$2.50**
We have about 18 different styles of dining chairs in Mission design for you to choose from and the price range will enable you to do much or little spending. Some have wood seats and some have leather upholstered seats. All are designed with a view to combining style, service and comfort. \$2.50 to \$12
- Many Mission Buffets are Offered—Priced from \$28 to \$100**
You can satisfy most any desire in buffet style from these offerings. The variety of styles will surprise you and the prices are such as to appeal to any thrifty homekeeper. Newest designs from the leading makers. All up to the Weiler standard of quality. Priced at—\$28, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$50, \$55, \$75, \$90, \$95, \$100
- CHINA CABINETS TO MATCH THESE PRICED FROM \$20 TO \$65**

WEILERS

BEEF SCRAPS FOR POULTRY

Armour's Beef Scraps are made from the best grade of cracklings. The cracklings are obtained by us in fresh condition and are free from dirt and all foreign matter. No excess of fat. The finest egg-maker on the market. Per 100 lbs., \$3.50; per 50 lbs., \$2.00

SYLVESTER FEED COMPANY. TEL. 413. 709 YATES.

BALLOON CONTESTS.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 27.—M. A. Heilmann, the local aeronaut, announced to-day that he and Captain John Berry will go to Los Angeles, January 2nd, as entrants in the balloon races scheduled for the meet in that city. Heilmann and Berry will take along three gas bags. Heilmann is said to be at outs with the St. Louis Aero Club, which is affiliated with the Aero Club of America.

BOY MURDERED

Frozen Body Found in Vacant House in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—Detectives are at work to-day trying to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of James Lawrence Friel, a fourteen-year-old boy, whose body was found frozen in a vacant house yesterday by playmates.

The boy apparently was horribly mutilated, after which his throat was cut, probably with a small pocket-knife. It is supposed that he was enticed or dragged into the house by tramps.

Another theory on which the police are working is that young Friel was murdered by thieves whom he traced down while playing detective. It is known that he was of a venturesome disposition and that he liked to shadow persons, "for the tails and after bumping over the ties run of it."

TRAIN WRECKED.

Broken Rail Causes Accident on Southern Pacific.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27.—The Lorthbound "Owl" train on the Southern Pacific road, which left Los Angeles yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, was wrecked at Bailey, 14 miles south of Tracy, at 5:12 o'clock this morning. According to the Southern Pacific officials no one was seriously injured.

A broken rail was given as the cause of the accident.

The passengers of the wrecked train were brought to San Francisco, arriving here shortly before noon. Only two were injured, a woman sustaining a severely wrenched ankle, while a man who occupied a berth in the rear Pullman was cut by flying glass.

According to the passengers the train was running at its usual rate of speed when it struck the broken rail. The engine, baggage car and diner passed over the break in safety, but the two last Pullmans were thrown from the rails and after bumping over the ties ran of it.

Peter McQuade & Son

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Wholesale and Retail Phone 41 1214 Wharf St.

—AGENTS—
Allen Whyte & Co. (Rutherglen, Scotland) Wire Ropes; Hub-buck (London) White Lead, Linseed Oil; Davies (London) White Lead and White Zinc; H. Rodgers & Sons (Wolverhampton) Gen White Zinc; Sherwin Williams Paints and Oils.

We also have Elephant, Tiger and Burrell's White Lead.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 27.—Because his wife had expressed a desire to go to her parents' home to spend Christmas, James B. Blakeley, a railroad foreman, shot her and himself dead at their home in Algiers on Saturday. The four-year-old son of the couple called neighbors to the house, told them of the fatal quarrel, and showed his parents lying dead on the floor.

King Alfonso of Spain has a unique museum, consisting of a collection of articles by which his life has been endangered. Amongst them is to be found the skin of a horse which was killed by a bomb flung at His Majesty.