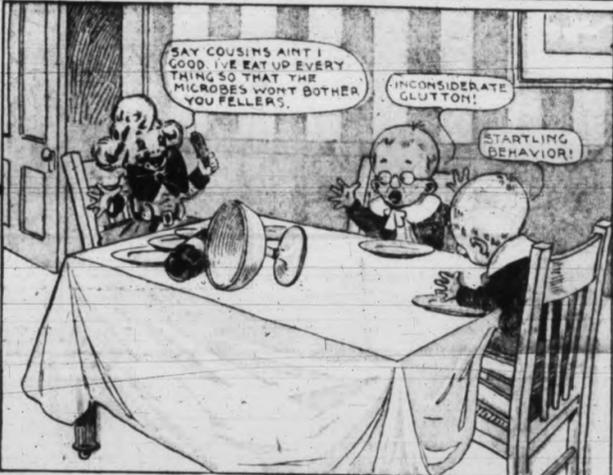
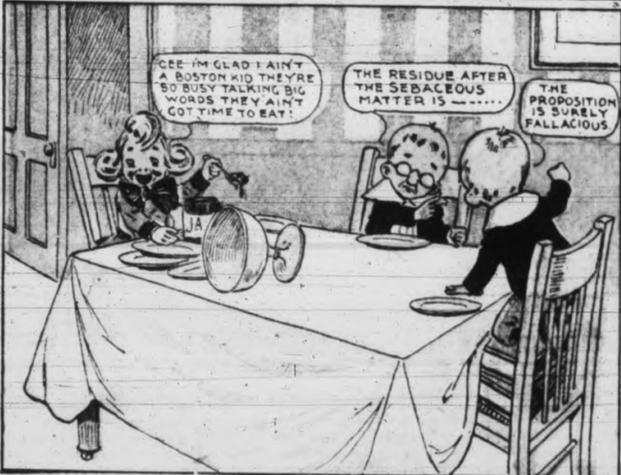
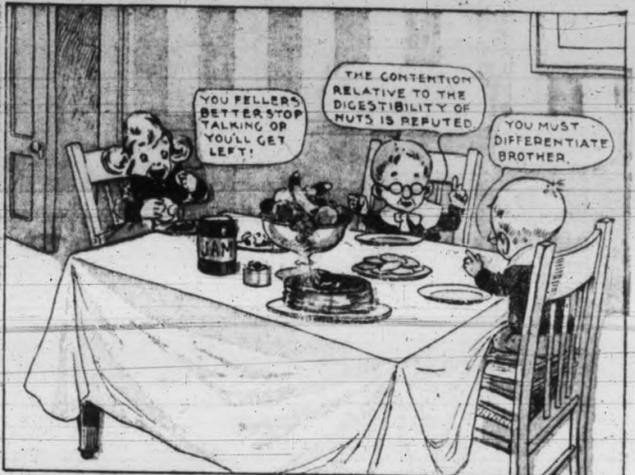


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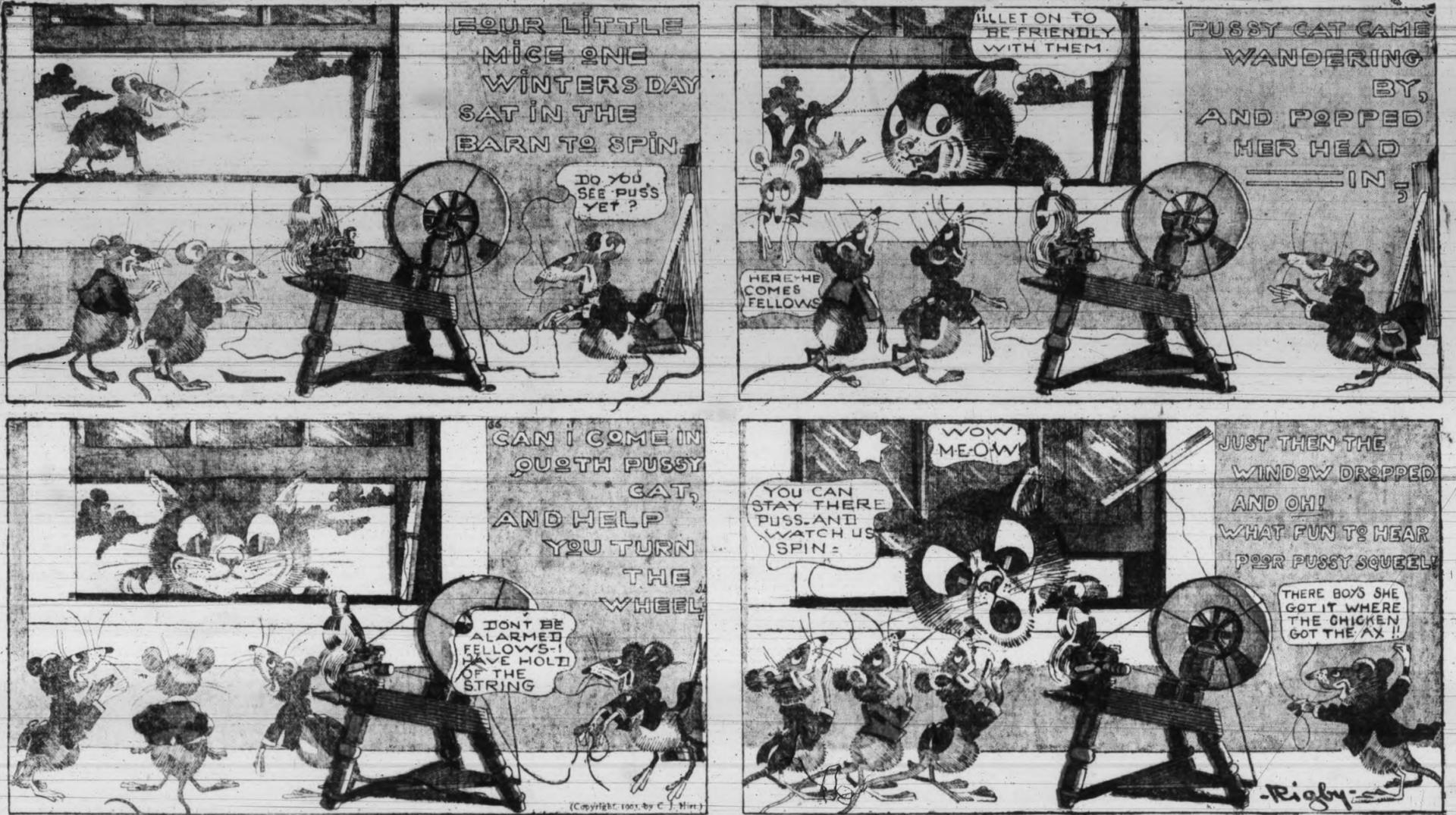
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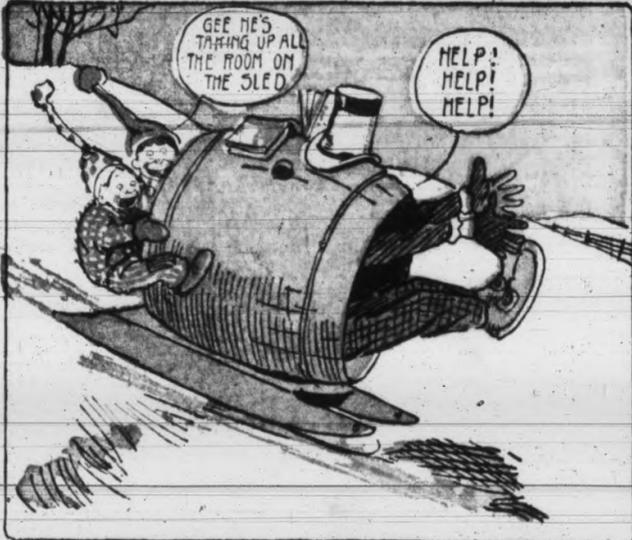
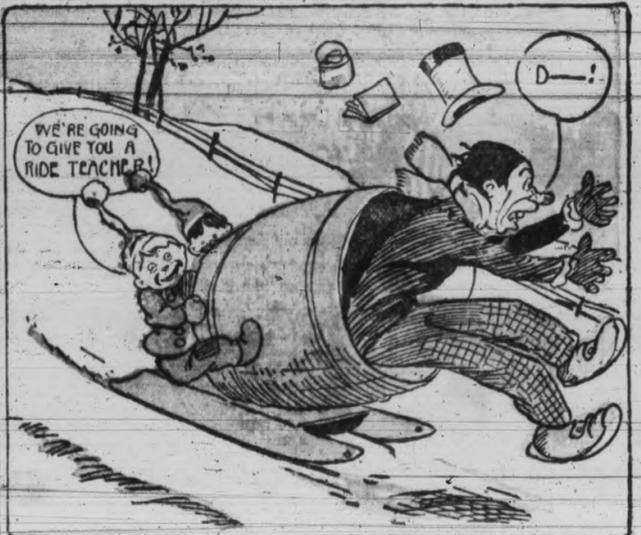
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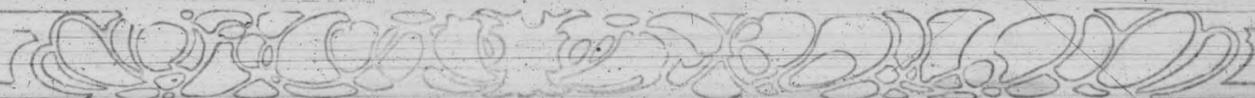
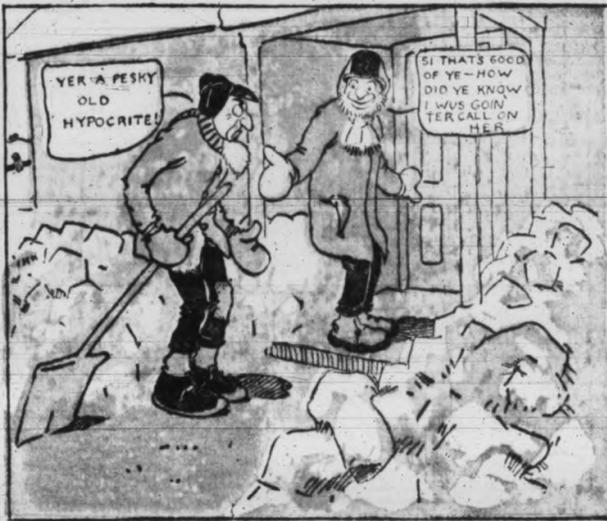
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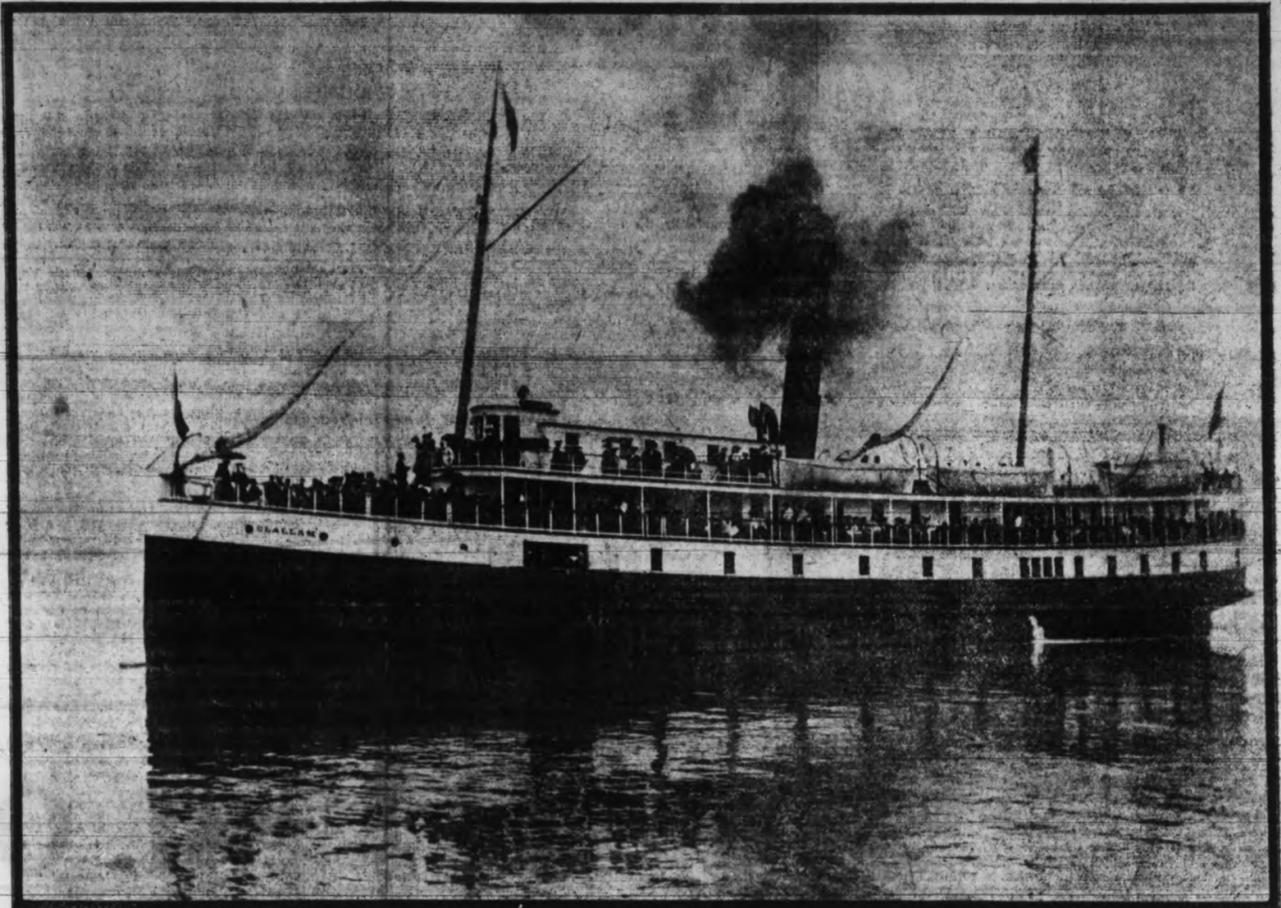
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STEAMER CLALLAM.

## STEAMER CLALLAM FOUNDERS AND FIFTY PEOPLE PERISH

**All Women and Children Were Drowned  
By the Capsizing of Boats After  
Leaving the Vessel.**

**Several Well-Known Victorians Among the  
Lost—Survivors Tell of Last Night's  
Disaster in the Straits.**

**PASSENGERS LOST.**  
MRS. ROSE.  
MISS HARRIS.  
MRS. CHARLES COX.  
MRS. LAMONA.  
MRS. B. TURNER, VICTORIA.  
MISS BELLETTES.  
MRS. A. J. C. GALLETT, OF VICTORIA.  
MISS GILL.  
MRS. REYNOLDS.  
MRS. THOMAS SULLINS AND TWO CHILDREN.  
MISS S. E. BOULTON.  
MISS GALLETT, OF VICTORIA.  
MISS MURRAY, OF VICTORIA.  
MRS. H. A. LAPLANTE.  
MRS. LENORA RICHARDS.  
CAPTAIN T. LAWRENCE, OF VICTORIA.

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**PASSENGERS SAVED.**  
THOS. MORRISON.  
WM. KING.  
H. D. BIRNEY.

The first intimation of the catastrophe was received at Port Townsend about 9 o'clock this morning, when the tug Sea Lion arrived there with twenty-five survivors.

The story gleaned from them was that owing to the terrific southwest gale and the tremendous sea the Clallam became unmanageable off Discovery Island yesterday afternoon. The heavy seas broke in the dead lights and the vessel began to fill. All the women were placed in three boats, but these capsized alongside, and their unfortunate occupants are believed to have perished.

The tug Richard Holyoke, which left Port Townsend at 7 o'clock in response to a message from this city, picked up

representative this morning, said: "No we saw nothing of the Clallam. I was on board the Charmer, and with the captain and look-out man was in the wheel house. We kept a sharp watch throughout the trip, but saw no indication of a steamer in any direction. The weather was rough, although the night was quite clear, the stars being visible. The Charmer has made trips in much worse weather than that which prevailed in the Straits last night, but in the Gulf it was exceptionally bad. The tide was at the flood and very strong, so a steamer would drift at a considerable rate. I was told by the agent that when he last saw the Clallam she had a couple of sails out, and efforts were being made to steer her."

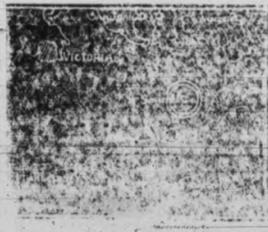


DIAGRAM OF STRAITS.

the ill-fated Clallam in the Straits, and started to tow her to safety. Unfortunately the condition of the steamer became such that the hawser had to be cut, and the captain and crew of the tug devoted themselves to the rescue of the passengers. The tug Sea Lion also came along and assisted in the rescue. The steamer shortly afterwards foundered off Smith Island.

As far as can be learned at the time of writing, when the Clallam left Port Townsend, her last point of call, there were eighty-six souls on board, of whom fifty-three were passengers and thirty-three captain and crew. Of these it is estimated that thirty-three were saved.

As already stated those on board the Charmer last evening saw no signs of the ill-fated Clallam on their way down. Capt. Troup, superintendent of the C. P. R. fleet, when seen by a Times rep-

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**ALL WOMEN LOST.**  
The Boats Capsized and the Lady Passengers Perished.

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Jan. 9.—The tug Sea Lion arrived here at 9 o'clock this morning with the first news of the loss of the steamer Clallam in the straits early this morning.

The Sea Lion brought twenty-four survivors. The tug Richard Holyoke arrived at 10:30 with nine additional survivors.

Owing to the high southwesterly gale and heavy sea the Clallam became unmanageable yesterday afternoon when off Discovery Island. Heavy seas broke the dead lights, and the vessel began to fill.

All the women passengers were placed in three boats, which capsized alongside, and all were lost.

As a result of telegraphic advices from Victoria, from which place the Clallam's predicament was seen, the tug Richard Holyoke was dispatched from Port Townsend and got a hawser aboard of

the Clallam and started to tow her into shelter. Owing to the high wind, Captain Roberts, of the Clallam, was unable to inform Captain Hall, of the Holyoke, of the condition of the Clallam.

About 1 o'clock the tug Sea Lion which had been sent to aid the vessel, spoke the Clallam and learned that she was foundering and steamed ahead and notified the Holyoke, which cut her hawser and assisted the Sea Lion in rescuing the passengers.

**SURVIVORS' STORY**

Of the Loss of the Clallam—There Was No Panic Aboard.

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Jan. 9.—The Clallam left this port at noon for Victoria and proceeded in the teeth of a heavy gale.

The steamer reached within eight miles of its destination, when the heavy seas drove in the deadlights and the water poured into the vessel. The fires were put out in a short time and the well known steamer was completely helpless, drifting about with something like eighty souls.

The wind was blowing a gale and seas were running mountain high. The ebb tide started the steamer toward Race Rocks, and the flood tide took her back towards Smith's island, which is 12 miles north of this city.

The tug Sea Lion, which was sent out from Seattle last night, was the first to return to this city with the fearful news. She arrived shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, with twenty-five passengers and the crew from the Clallam.

The tug Holyoke, which left here last night at 7 o'clock, arrived an hour later with nine more saved.

Every man interviewed tells another phase of the disaster from that of his neighbor, but all agree in the essential particulars.

(Continued on page 8.)



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THE NEGOTIATIONS
TO BE CONTINUED

JAPAN STILL OPPOSED
TO ISSUING ULTIMATUM

Rumors of Concessions in Korea—The
Relations Between France and
Great Britain.

London, Jan. 8.—The Japanese government has practically determined to continue negotiations. It is dissatisfied with Russia's terms, but does not feel warranted in issuing an ultimatum or breaking off negotiations, and will make another effort to secure their modification before resorting to force.

It is anticipated that the discussion will continue a few weeks, during which interim a break of the peace is very improbable.

M. Daesher, first secretary of the French embassy in London, in an interview to-day said that the present arrangements between France and Great Britain were such that it would be impossible to disturb them. He said it was not likely that France would interfere, even if Korea and China joined Japan.

The Kobe correspondent of the Daily Express sends a scare rumor to the effect that a collision between Russian and the Japanese fleets has taken place near the islands of Tsushima, in the Straits of Korea (about midway between Korea and Kinshu). This rumor is not mentioned in other sources, and in view of the fact that the Japanese government is exercising a censorship over all news concerning naval matters may be safely disregarded.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Seoul says that twenty British, forty American and thirty Russian guards have already arrived to protect their legations.

Regarding Korea.
Berlin, Jan. 8.—The Tageblatt's Paris correspondent learns that the French government has been informed that Russia's answer to Japan makes far-reaching concessions regarding Korea, and that these concessions are equivalent to permitting the occupation of Korea by Japan on lines somewhat similar to the position of Great Britain in Egypt, but that Russia rejects any right of Japan to mingle in affairs in Manchuria.

Warships Sail.

Port Arthur, Jan. 8.—Several warships left here at midnight for the purpose of meeting a Japanese squadron of four ironclads approaching Korea to stop six Japanese coal laden ships from Japan destined for Port Arthur and to cancel their charter to a Russian firm here.

Port Arthur defenses are completed and the authorities are confident.

Discussing Reply.

London, Jan. 9.—According to the Daily Mail's Tokyo correspondent the Russian reply proposes among other things to transfer the seat of negotiations to St. Petersburg, and Japanese newspapers denounce this as a manoeuvre intended to tangle Japan in the web of Russian intrigue.

The correspondent adds that riots at Chollado, Korea, are increasing and that the officers of the Japanese steamer Shini Maru, which left Port Arthur on January 4th, report that there were then eighty warships and three first-class torpedo boats inside and five battleships outside the harbor. Dredging was proceeding night and day in the eastern portion of the harbor. Owing to the breakwater the port is almost ice-bound.

The correspondent says that dispatches from Seoul to Japanese newspapers report the Emperor of Korea as vacillating and unable to adopt a definite policy. The Emperor is greatly reassured by the receipt of a memorial from the Korean officials declaring that there is no danger of war, the arrival of the United States marines being due to a secret understanding between the United States and Japan, and that Japanese war preparations are merely a bluff intended to frighten Russia.

Other telegrams to the Daily Mail state that the Russian reply was fur-

ther considered at a cabinet meeting at Tokyo on Friday, which sat for several hours. It is supposed that Japan's reply to Russia may have been drafted for submission to the council of the elder statesmen and the ministers which it is expected to assemble to-day at the imperial palace.

The Emperor, attended by his staff and accompanied by many notables and members of the foreign legations, held a brilliant New Year review of the garrison yesterday morning on Aoyama park at Tokyo.

Bennet Burleigh, the special correspondent of the Daily Telegraph in Tokyo, says there is a total force of 10,000 men and ninety-six guns included in the imperial guards and the first division, and adds: "The infantry greatly impressed me with its solid, vigorous and trenchant appearance. The artillery is excellent, but the cavalry horses are poor, being nearly all ponies. The troopers carry carbines on their backs in warlike fashion." Mr. Burleigh, referring to the general situation, says: "You may discredit the report that Japan intends to present an ultimatum. The Chinese government declares it will certainly help Japan."

The Daily Mail's Chefoo correspondent asserts that in the event of a victorious war, Japan would conclude a treaty with China, opening Manchuria to all foreign trade.

The Russian correspondents continue to report extensive military preparations and say that there was a heavy fall on the Russian bourse yesterday.

The Paris correspondent of the Times learns from St. Petersburg that the Russian reply practically amounts to an acceptance by Russia of the first agreement entered into between Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister to Japan, and Baron Komura, the Japanese foreign minister. The stipulations of this agreement were recognition by Russia of Japan's preponderance in Korea, and the neutralization of the Korea coast, with a stipulation to place the Japanese on the same footing as Europeans in Manchuria. This agreement, the correspondent says, was rejected on the advice of Admiral Alexieff.

The correspondent suggests that the Russian council readopted the proposals owing to the advice of M. Bezobrazoff, and that the delay in delivering them to Japan may be due to Viceroy Alexieff's continued opposition.

A dispatch to the Morning Post from Chefoo says that China has granted Russia a concession to construct a branch railway in Manchuria from Shinmencho, "Shimintum," through Mukden and Liao Yeng to Antung, which it will



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reach through a ravine four miles below Shabo.
In an editorial the Morning Post contends that this railway is to be built with the purpose of enabling Russia to conquer Korea. This pretence of a "concession" the Morning Post says shows the intention to keep Manchuria and acquire Korea, but to preserve a form of Chinese suzerainty.

The Times' Calcutta correspondent says that telegraphic communications have reached Rangoon from Japan, suspending further the shipment of rice. The correspondent says that it is not known whether this is due to the belief in an early outbreak of war or to the possibility of a peaceful settlement, but that local opinion inclines to the former idea, and negotiations.

Another Warship for Japan.
Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—The Record tomorrow will say the Japanese government have secured an option on the Turkish cruiser Medjidie, now being hurried to complete in Constantinople.

Both the Russian and Japanese governments have been negotiating with the Sultan and an English corporation in Turkey. The latter transacts nearly all of the financial business of Turkey and has practically the control of all the government's cash.

Representatives of Russia and Japan have been working through the Ottoman bank, bidding higher and higher as the war fever increased until it is claimed the Japanese offered half a million dollars more than she cost, after which the Russian representatives withdrew.

Should the sale be made the cruiser will be turned over immediately to Japanese officers, who are awaiting orders from home to proceed to Philadelphia. The Medjidie on her trial developed 22.24 knots. The guns for her have been made in England, and when the sale is made she will proceed to Japan via the Suez canal and the guns will be mounted in the navy yards in Yokohama. When in commission she will have a battery of 14 guns.

Outbreak Inevitable.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 8.—In an interview with a well known general holding a high official position, and one of a large number of military men who do not believe in war immediately, this statement was made:

"War is inevitable. It does not matter what the papers say. We behind scenes know better. This war will be very unfortunate for Russia, but apparently the Japanese are determined to fight us."

"Do you anticipate complications?" "No," he answered. "It is claimed the Japanese fleet is stronger than ours. Let us admit that. Suppose they wipe out our fleet; that is nothing. Don't they remember how in 1854 we voluntarily sank our own vessels to protect them from the enemy and continued to fight for five years? Also our modern fleet will not go without leaving its mark behind. The decisive war will be on land. Suppose even that Japan gets our coasts. What then? We have Vladivostok, Dairen and Port Arthur, which are impregnable."

It is a horrible thing for Russia, this war, but it is one of those things which must be gone through with. It may set us back sadly."

One of the most intelligent diplomatists here said:

"All the diplomatic corps here believe in peace, because no one wants war. France has no desire to draw her sword to aid Russia in this matter. England has no money, America has no superfluous funds, and she will not come in. I am convinced Japan won't fight."

Asked why, he said: "Japan is like a Marsellaise who pretends to be terribly in want of a fight, and says, 'Hold me back, or I shall do much harm.' He thus avoids trouble. Japan will not fight alone."

"But can such serious preparation be made for nothing?" he was asked. Of these he reluctantly admitted the seriousness, but said: "After all, supposing Admiral Alexieff were to go mad and precipitate war. Some power would surely intervene and stop war."

"Which power?" "Probably several," he replied.

KILLED IN COLLISION.

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 8.—Baltimore and Ohio passenger train No. 4, double headed, ran into a loaded steel car being shunted one mile below Cumberland today. The dead are: S. E. Roberts, engineer, Baltimore; H. P. Kirby, fireman, Baltimore; B. F. Keefeaver, Bremen, Eagle's Mills, Md.

No passengers were hurt. It is claimed that while the freight conductor was in the tower awaiting orders, the engineer began shifting on the main track, contrary to orders, when No. 4 was about due.

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The work of altering and renovating the Pritchard block on the corner of Yates and Government streets for the accommodation of the Imperial Bank of Canada was started yesterday, and will be carried on with all possible dispatch. The entire building will be altered and it is the intention to make the interior equipment for banking purposes second to none in the city. The entire ground floor area will be used as a banking chamber, having an area of 51 by 21 feet. Its main entrance will be in the corner of Yates and Government streets, while there will also be one on Yates street.

The chamber will be fitted up with fine antique oak counters and copper grills. It will have a tile floor and heavy plaster beam ceiling, with enriched cornices. The walls will be covered with burleigh. From the ground floor a broad staircase will ascend to the first and second floors, which will be divided into business offices, five on each floor. The premises will be heated with steam. The contract for the bank fittings has been awarded to Carruthers, Dickson & Howse, the well-known manufacturers of store fixtures. John Coughlan has the contract for the heating. F. M. Rattenbury is the architect. The cost of the improvements will be in the neighborhood of \$6,000.

The site of the Imperial Bank's new quarters is one of the finest in the city, commanding the intersection of two of its main arteries. The fact that such premises are required reflects the marked progress in the bank's business under the able management of Mr. Gibbe.

Reference was made in the Times the other day to contemplated improvements to the Dawson hotel building, for which D. F. McCrimmon has the contract. Work on this undertaking commenced yesterday, and, judging by the plans, the people remember how in 1854 we voluntarily sank our own vessels to protect them from the enemy and continued to fight for five years? Also our modern fleet will not go without leaving its mark behind. The decisive war will be on land. Suppose even that Japan gets our coasts. What then? We have Vladivostok, Dairen and Port Arthur, which are impregnable."

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IN CONNECTION IT MIGHT BE MENTIONED that the business of the Orphanum theatre has been purchased by Mr. Boyd, of Vancouver, from the Seattle people who have been operating it. The entire place will be renovated and rearranged so as to completely comply with the city ordinances for fire protection. The cost of this work will be a thousand dollars.

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Hazing at University.

Six Students Have Been Expelled—Protest Against Action of Faculty.

Middleton, Conn., Jan. 8.—President Raymond, of Wesleyan University, tonight suspended six members of the sophomore class until the mid year examinations in February, and ordered them to leave town by Saturday night. The students are charged with being connected with the hazing of a fellow-student last month. The trouble had its beginning in the attempt of a number of sophomores to haze Frank B. Taylor, of Cambridge, Mass., December 10th. He prevented their first attempt to enter his room by presenting a revolver, but they returned later. Taylor fought his way through the crowd with a screw driver and struck Howard Richards, of Newhaven, over the eye, causing the loss of sight of the eye. Learning of the affair, the faculty took summary action.

The students drew up a resolution disapproving the action of the faculty, on the ground that to single out six men of the class was unjust, there having been many more students implicated in the hazing. President Raymond says the incident is not closed.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The first primaries preparatory to the election of half the members of the Cuban congress and of provisional councilor, were held on Friday. In Cienfuegos partisan feeling developed a disturbance, during which several shots were fired and one or more persons wounded. The disturbances were caused by a party of Radicals, who were armed with machettis. The police fired on the party, and it is reported the leader was wounded.

A Rome dispatch says: "Members of the 'Black Society,' an organization composed of the faithful of the Holy See, are much disturbed over the announcement that the Pope has written to the Portuguese ambassador expressing the desire that the ladies should not wear low-cut gowns at receptions attended by cardinals and other prelates."

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AN INTERESTING CHAT WITH
REV. R. HATCHETT.

He Asserts People Should Speak Plainly
When Their Words Will Benefit
Others.

(From the Recorder, Brockville, Ont.)
Rev. R. Hatchett, general agent of the African Methodist church in Canada, spent several days in Brockville recently in the interest of the church work. Talking with a reporter he said he always like to visit Brockville, because he found so many of its citizens in hearty sympathy with the church work he represents. "And besides," said Mr. Hatchett, "I have what may be called a sentimental reason for liking Brockville. It is the home of a medicine that has done me much good and has done much good to other members of my family. I refer to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills." "Would you mind," asked the reporter, "giving your experience with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills?" "not at all," said Mr. Hatchett, "I always say a good word for this medicine whenever the opportunity offers. I know some people object to speaking in public about medicines they use, but I think this is a narrow view to take. When one finds something really good and really helpful in relieving human ills, it seems to me it is a duty we owe other sufferers to put them in way of obtaining new health. You can say from me therefore that I think Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a very superior medicine—I know of no other so good. My work, as you may judge, is by no means light, I have to travel a great deal in the interest of our church work, and it is no wonder that I often find myself much run down and afflicted almost with a general prostration. It is on occasions of this kind that I resort to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I can say in all sincerity that they have never failed me. The pills have also been used in my family, and among my friends, and the results have always been satisfactory. You may just say from me that I think those who are afflicted with any of the ills for which this medicine is recommended will make no mistake in giving Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial."

The Rev. Mr. Hatchett's home is in Hamilton, Ont., where he is known to most of the citizens and greatly esteemed by those who know him.

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After 10 o'clock the adults took the floor and spent an enjoyable night. Fin's orchestra provided the music. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The ladies of the New Westminster basketball team were present by invitation and enjoyed a few hours at the hall. With their match coming on this evening they left early however.

Assembly hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The floor was in excellent shape and there was nothing to mar the thorough enjoyment throughout the night.

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**CANDIDATES SPEAK TO THE ELECTORS**

A MEETING IN SOUTH PARK LAST EVENING

Aspirants to Aldermanic and School Boards Presented Their Views - Small Attendance.

There was a poor attendance at the meeting held by the candidates for municipal honors and for school trustees at Assembly hall of the South Park school last evening. It was decided to dispense with the usual addresses by majority candidates, allowing more time for those running for the school board. This being decided, Alderman Barnard was voted to the chair. Among those occupying the platform were: Messrs. Wilson, Oddy, Worthington, Douglas and Fell (candidates for the city council), and Messrs. Lewis, Erskine, Boggs, Cook, Spragge and Mowat.

During the evening Rev. A. Ewing, superintendent of Presbyterian Chinese missions, asked the two candidates for mayor and those aspiring to aldermanic honors where they stood on the gambling question. He also wanted to know whether they would favor the granting of more liquor licenses. C. E. Redfern answered to the same effect. He had always been against gambling and his policy was not to increase the number of licenses.

J. A. Douglas thought it was a serious question. His experience had always been that efforts made to suppress gambling resulted in its breaking out somewhere else in a worse form. It was a matter that required some consideration.

B. H. Oddy said that if he was elected and was the fortunate individual to be appointed to the board of police commissioners, he would do everything in his power to run a decent, orderly town. Messrs. Wilson, Worthington and Fell pledged themselves in return to suppress gambling if it was their fortunate honor to be returned.

The first candidate to speak was J. A. Douglas, who spoke of the pleasure it gave him to contest the South Ward. Reference was made to the extent of the city, an estimate of its total area being given. The business of a city of such a size should be carefully attended to. There had been some complaint about the fumes from the chemical works. In the speaker's opinion a firm with a payroll of \$500 a week should be encouraged and not discouraged. A new location should be secured for the Old Men's Home. The Indian reserve question was also touched upon. If the present reserve was taken from the Indians they should be provided with another suitable location. The trades licenses needed revision.

Thornton Fell thought that money for civic works should not be borrowed recklessly. The city should try and make revenue and expenditure meet. He directed some scathing criticism toward the manner some of the latest municipal improvements had been conducted. If it was a well there was danger of its falling in and in the case of the reclamation of James Bay there was a great deal of hesitancy in carrying through the work.

Trades licenses were not on a fair basis. One who conducted a large business paid no more than one who conducted a comparatively small one. He had gone so far as to prepare some amendments to the act, calculated to remedy this matter. These would be submitted to the legislative committee of the council if he was elected. Another thing he had noticed was the general inclination to make street improvements at the wrong time of the year. Something should be done to bring about a reform in this regard. Reference was made to the mud flats. The speaker pointed out that it was probable all further work in filling in the flats would have to be done by the city. His recommendation was, therefore, that the work be proceeded with without delay. He was in favor of carrying on the crusade against the old stacks on the main streets of the city. The bill-boards on the principal thoroughfares were also eyesores that should be removed—the old cemetery on Quadra street, where the pioneers of Victoria were lying, should also receive attention. Some time ago the government announced that they would spend no more money in keeping it in repair. The city ought to take the matter in hand. A new fence was wanted and all the large trees should be cut down. The speaker also advocated a continuance of the work of paving the main streets. Government street should be paved from the city hall to Fort street, afterwards being carried on past the C. P. R. hotel to Belleville street. The main artery to the outside world—the road leading to the outer wharf—needed a great deal of attention. He was not in favor of charging residents for water used in keeping a plot of grass in front of their houses in order. Those who did this were entitled to a rebate of 10 per cent. If elected he would use his best endeavors in the interests of South Ward and the city as a whole.

B. S. Oddy, another candidate for alderman, said he did not think that the business of the city had been conducted in a proper manner. It was not his intention to go into details. His platform was a broad one and its principal mainstay was "progress," but not "extravagant progress." He spoke of the flats, and asked why the work of filling had not been proceeded with after the withdrawal of the dredge King Edward. If elected, he would see that South Ward receive more attention in street improvements and the construction of sidewalks.

Mr. Wilson, the next speaker, said that his principal reason for offering himself for re-election was the gross unsanitary condition of the city. Although the council was forcing all houses

to connect with the sewers, the old box drains were being left in the streets. The result was that the Isolation Hospital was continually full of patients. He noticed the passing council had a surplus of \$5,000. Had he been an alderman an effort would have been put forth to spend that money on street improvements. The streets were never in a worse condition than at present. He was in favor of macadamized roads. He would, if elected, see that the sanitation of the city was improved and the immense expense involved in the maintenance of the Isolation hospital reduced.

Ex-Alderman Worthington was in favor of improving the street crossings and constructing permanent sidewalks at various points. He agreed with the previous speaker regarding the deplorable condition of the streets. The tramway company, he thought, was to be blamed to a great extent. As the water meters had been introduced, he would like to see this move confined, and the work on the mud-flats pushed forward with the greatest possible despatch. He was in favor of a revision of the trades licenses.

At this juncture Rev. W. Ewing put his questions regarding gambling and liquor licenses.

Edmund Boggs, a candidate for school trustee, said that the past year had been a most harmonious one among the trustees. Speaking of improvements, he said some \$300 had been spent in repairing desks. The high school grounds had been put in shape for about \$1,500. The wooden school buildings were a disgrace. His endeavor had always been to increase the standard of the teaching staffs, and to secure more male teachers. During the past year 29 teachers had been appointed, 16 of whom were educated in Victoria. The manual training schools had been taken over by the board, and domestic science schools had been introduced. A high school cadet corps had been organized. Speaking of the segregation of the Chinese, he told of the efforts of the school board in this direction. As there had been a number of applications from Chinese children for the commencement of this term, they had been given a room apart with a separate teacher. These, however, were only primary grade children. This he thought might continue without any objection.

G. J. Cook believed in the advancement of the city. He therefore thought that the school system should be the best. The children of Victoria should be given a good, sound elementary education.

W. G. Eden was in favor of free books and the introduction of plain sewing among the girls attending the public schools of Victoria. He thought that a site should be reserved on the mud flats for the erection of a school.

R. Erskine, in closing, would do his best to see the schools kept in good repair. He would also do everything in his power in the interests of education.

E. A. Lewis had always taken a great interest in education. Children well taught in their youth would make bright, intelligent men and women. He believed in having sufficient school accommodation for all wishing to attend. The schools should also be kept in good repair. If elected he would do his best in the interests of education.

R. Mowat had not a definite platform. He was pleased to see that the school system of Victoria was as good as any in British Columbia. Although not supporting any practical changes, he was in favor of making any alterations that would result in better education. Referring to the Chinese question he said that it was impossible for the two races to associate harmoniously. There was no provision against the separation of the Chinese and whites, although there was nothing stated allowing it. The Chinese could therefore be segregated quietly, and there could be no interference. He had ascertained that there were at present 44 Chinese children attending the Boys' Central, 18 the North Ward, 10 the Hillside, 10 the Rock Bay and the Girls' Central, making a total of 85. The schools should be kept in repair, and there should be sufficient accommodation.

P. J. Riddell advocated a continuance of the present high and satisfactory standard of the Victoria public schools. A commercial course in connection with the schools would be a great advantage to many of the boys and girls. A better accommodation for the children of the outlying districts. Providing he was elected he promised to represent the city on the board of school trustees to the best of his ability.

D. Spragge said more school accommodation was an absolute necessity, especially in Victoria West. He spoke of the Chinese question, favoring the establishment of an entirely separate school for the Oriental children, providing them with a teacher of their own. The board was bound to give the Chinese a good education. He was proud of the standing of the local schools, and if elected would do all in his power in the interests of education.

The meeting was then closed.

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Charles Foster was killed near Ithaca, N. Y., by an express train while lying on the tracks. He was twice struck by trains during the past year near the place where he was killed.

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Letters of administration of the estate and effects of the intestate, within the province of British Columbia, have been granted to Leonard Calvert Mills, an Attorney-at-Law of Vancouver. Maria Rossi, widow of the intestate, and for her use and benefit.

Take notice that, pursuant to the "Trustee and Executors Act," all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above named deceased are requested to send by post or deliver to the said Leonard Calvert Mills, as such attorney as aforesaid, at the office of the undersigned on or before the 1st day of February, 1904, full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased according to law, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said Attorney for the said Francesca Maria Bossi will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

And further take notice that all persons from whom moneys were due to the said Achille Bossi, deceased, are required to pay the same to the said Attorney within the period above mentioned.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1903.  
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**Silver Band Mining Co., Ltd.**  
The annual meeting of shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, 74 Wharf Street, Victoria, B. C., on 10th February, 1904, at 9 p. m.

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THE WRECK OF THE CHALLAM.

At the time of writing it is not clear whether direct responsibility rests upon anyone for the addition of the latest chapter to the melancholy marine history of the Northwest.

The Challam is wrecked; many homes are in mourning under circumstances which must intensify grief almost beyond the point of human endurance.

Last night was not an exceptionally rough one. There was apparently a combination between the elements and unsuspected weaknesses in the structural formation of the ship, the result being a terrible disaster.

There is little satisfaction in the thought that if the craft had been larger she would have been able to withstand every wind and to successfully encounter every sea that runs in the straits.

It is true the City of Kingston, seemingly the ideal craft for such a run, was maintained in the service for years, presumably without loss to the owners.

In the midst of our grief at the thought of the untimely and terrible end of so large a number of people, there is comfort in the thought that there was no ground for the first suspicion that the male passengers and crew of the Challam temporarily forgot their manhood and thought first of saving their own lives.

Conventional expressions of sympathy for the bereaved must seem but poor attempts at comfort at this time of sorrow. Victoria mourns for the afflicted, and her people will do all in their power to lighten the burden of sorrow.

At a request of a number of the voters of this city, I offer myself as a candidate for School Trustee in the forthcoming election, and respectfully request your vote and influence.

At a meeting of Mr. Redfern's supporters will be held at the Pioneer Hall, Broad street, on Saturday evening, Jan. 9th, at 8 o'clock, to make final arrangements for the election, when he will be glad to meet as many of his supporters as can make it convenient to attend.

The creditors of the above named company are required, on or before the 10th day of February, 1904, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, as shall be specified in such notices, or in default thereof they shall be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Monday, the 15th day of February, 1904, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, in such Chamber Court is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon such debts and claims.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1904. HARVEY COMBE, Deputy District Registrar.

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THE DOMINION HOUSE. According to Gossip General Election May Not Take Place Until Summer. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 8.—The political outlook today is that the general election will not take place before June next. This would therefore mean that a session of parliament will be called forthwith. However, nothing definite has been decided upon, and until such time as a ministerial statement has been made it is not safe to predict with certainty as to what course the Premier intends taking. The talk to-day, however, has been all session, while heretofore it has been all election. The next week will dispose of this uncertainty.

DIPLOMAS PRESENTED To the Pupils at the Girls' Central School Yesterday Afternoon. The diplomas were presented to the fifteen successful candidates from the Girls' Central school at the recent school examinations. The event was made interesting by making it a public affair. The assembly room of the old High school was carefully decorated for the occasion by Miss McGregor and the pupils of her class. Among those on the platform were: His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia, Venerable Archdeacon Scribner, Rev. Dr. Elliott, S. Rowe, Rev. W. Burch Allen, School Trustee H. L. Deary, H. Boggs and Mrs. Jenkins, City Supt. Eaton and Col. Holmes, D. O. C.

A programme of music, including Christmas carols and a solo by Miss Phyllis Jay, "Gloria in Excelsis," was given. Rev. Dr. Elliott S. Rowe then delivered an address, eulogizing the work of the pupils and the teachers of the school. He referred to the fact that in the ten years during which Miss Williams had been in charge of the school that 255 pupils had passed into the High school. The carrying off of the Governor-General's medal by Miss D. Allison, Eileen Mowat, and Wilfred Johnson, former pupils of the school, also spoke well for the careful training in the public schools.

Addresses were given also by Bishop Perrin, Archdeacon Scribner, Rev. W. Burch Allen, Col. Holmes and Mrs. Jenkins. R. E. Drury, the chairman of the board, then presented the diplomas to the successful pupils. The following were the names: Alice Lambert, Marguerite Denuan, Resaie M. Conroy, Edith C. Devor, Cecile Conroy, Phoebe McKenney, Marjorie Moss, Amy Astor, Shily, R. Allen, Mary F. Looze, Both H. Woodhill, Emily H. Milne, Florence Field, Nancy Harrison and Lily V. Simms. The program then to the entrance class was read. It was as follows: Maud Beker, Laura L. Clegg, Jeanie McLaughlin, Emily Heather, Eva Nell, Eva Holmes, Isabel Bolton, Mary Williams, Barbara Mowat, Maybelle Condon, Ruby Tolman, Erna Puppe, Charlotte Clayton, Daisy King, Edith Johns and Eleanor McDowell.

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First Chance IN THE New Year For An OVERCOAT A few choice ones left and they are being sold at REDUCED PRICES. See for yourself. PEDEN'S 36 Fort St. Merchant Tailor.

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Peerless and Distinctive ARE THE Pianos CARRIED BY US. For twenty years have we represented the cream of the Canadian Piano Manufacturers, such as Heintzman & Co., Nordheimer, Dominion. Our prices will be found right, and our terms for time sales most liberal. Over 50 Pianos always on hand from which to make a selection. M.W. WAITT & Co. 41 GOVERNMENT STREET.

MISSING! Reward \$1,000. I will give \$1,000 to the party or parties who will furnish information to Andrew Ferguson, or the undersigned, that will lead to the finding of David Ferguson, dead or alive, who was last seen at the Dominion Hotel, Victoria, Dec. 19, 1903.

THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. In the Matter of The Companies' Winding up Act, 1886, and in the Matter of The Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company Limited Liability. The creditors of the above named company are required, on or before the 10th day of February, 1904, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, as shall be specified in such notices, or in default thereof they shall be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

NOTICE. All mineral rights are reserved by the Dominion of Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the N & N. Railway Land Grant. EDWARD H. SOLLY, Land Commissioner.

Spencer's Western Canada's Big Store.

THE JANUARY SALE GOES MERRILY ON.

Already the first week has sped by—large quantities of goods have vanished and yet the pace keeps up. Women know and appreciate this sale and its opportunities. The second week of the January Sale more interesting than the first. The various offerings advertised for Monday independent of the white goods sale are among the strongest values we have presented this month. On Monday next begins our great Annual White Goods Sale. This sale includes Ladies' Muslin Underwear, Embroideries, Housekeeping Linens, White Dress Muslins, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Men's White Shirts, Night Dresses, Etc., Etc.

Gowns 50c. Gowns for 25c. 75c. Gowns two qualities. One—An extra heavy cotton, with double roll for 50c. Another—A fancy yoke with stitching, etc., for 50c. 50c. Gowns, trimmed frills and embroidery, for 75c. \$1.25 Gowns, trimmed profusely with embroidery, for \$1.00. \$1.50 Gowns, trimmed profusely with embroidery, for \$1.25. About 30 expensive samples (a little soiled) at half price.

Corset Covers 15c. ones for 7c. 25c. ones, trimmed embroidery, for 15c. 35c. ones, trimmed embroidery, for 25c. 50c. ones, trimmed embroidery, for 35c. 75c. and 85c. ones, trimmed embroidery, for 60c. \$1.20 ones, trimmed embroidery, for \$1.00.

Colored Batiste Slips All Shades. 50c. ones for 35c.

Drawers 35c. ones, with muslin, full hem-stitched, for 25c. 50c. ones, extra wide and frill edged embroidery, for 35c. 75c. tucks and frills of embroidery, for 50c. \$1.00, several odd lines, for 75c. \$1.50 ones, for \$1.00. \$2.50 and \$3.00 ones, for \$1.50.

Skirts January Sale Prices: 90c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.75 and \$3.15.

White Dress Muslins About 800 yards of Dress or Waist Muslins: Regular prices, 30c., 35c., 40c., 45c. and 50c. January Sale, 25c. yard. In this lot are Fancy Stripes, Plaques, Figured, Mercedized Muslins, Silk finished Spot and Stripe Muslins, White Oranoid Stripe and Spot Muslins, and open lace effects, and large figures in Satin finished Muslins. Other prices in White Muslins: 12 1/2c. and 15c. per yard.

Table Linens Hemstitched Linen Cloths; regular \$4.00, January Sale, \$3.00. Hemstitched Linen Cloths; regular \$4.75, January Sale, \$3.25.

White, Pink and Blue Flannel-ette (1,000 yards) January Sale price, 8 1/2c. yard. White Cotton Blankets Sale prices, 35c., 50c. and \$1.00.

Sheets Full size, hemmed, \$1.75 pair. Hemstitched Sheets, January Sale, \$2.50 and \$3.75 pair.

White Bedspreads January Sale prices: 74 Bleached Sheetings, 14c. yard. 84 Bleached Sheetings, 19c. yard. 90 pieces of 25 1/2" finished Cotton "shades" specialty for the needle and machine, regular 12 1/2c., 10c. yard.

White Goods Sale in the Men's Department Men's Unlaundered Shirts Our usual 50c. quality, January White Sale, 38c., 2 for 75c.

Dressed Shirts \$1.00 quality for 65c. 75c. quality for 50c. Full Dress \$1.50 quality for \$1.00.

Men's Night Dresses 75c. Shirts for 50c. Men's Twilled Cotton Night Dresses, extra good value, at 75c. January Sale, 50c. Better qualities, usual \$1.00. January Sale, 75c. Flannellette Night Dresses, white satin cuffs, collar and front; value \$1.00. January Sale, 85c.

January Sale of Colored Silk Velvets \$1.00 and \$1.50 Velvets Monday, 65c a yard. It has been our custom other years to carry a full range of Silk Velvets through Spring and Summer. This month we reduce our stock, so down comes the price of Velvets to 65c per yard. 30 different shades to choose from; regular price, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Monday, 65c. per yard. Our full range of Panne Velvets; regular prices \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 yard. Monday 65c. yard. Black Panne Velvet; regular \$1.25. Monday 65c. yard. If you would like a nice Eaton Jacket or Silk Velvet Waist, or Opera Cloak, remember Monday's Sale, when Silk Velvets will be cleared at 65c. per yard.

A Great January Offering of Men's Colored Shirts Monday Worth 50c., \$1.00, \$1.50; for 25c., 50c., \$1.00.

Three Groups of Suits and Overcoats The Facts Are Remarkable GROUP ONE 73 Overcoats at \$9.75 each. Regular \$12.50 to \$20.00. Materials are Black and Oxford, soft-finished Cheviots and Vicunas. This lot includes all our high class lines selling regularly up to \$20.00. Suits at \$9.75 Your choice of any suit above \$12.50. Over 300 to choose from. Every fashionable material, Stripe Tweeds, Serges, Worsted, Cheviots, etc.

GROUP TWO 47 Overcoats at \$6.75. Regular price, \$10.00 and \$12.50. Materials are Cheviots, Tweeds and Worsted. Over 450 Suits to choose from at this price. Regular price \$10.00.

GROUP THREE 60 Overcoats at \$3.75; materials are All-Wool, Gray Cheviot and Black Italian; silk faced or without. Some extra heavy coats in the lot, but mostly medium weight. 128 Suits at \$3.75 The Trousers alone of these Suits sell in the ordinary way for \$2.50. In the lot are Halifax Tweed Suits, Brown and Gray Canadian Tweed Suits. A Suit for workingmen for half the usual price.

Young Ladies' Basketball Westminster vs. Victoria. Drill Hall Concert TO-NIGHT Admission, 25 cents.

The Oxygencure Revitalizes the blood. No disease germ can live in oxygen. Hence comes the cure for all diseased conditions if taken in time. Instruments rented and sold by Mrs. H. Kout, 243 Yates street.

GRANITE AND MARBLE WORKS Monuments, Tablets, Granite Copings, etc., at lowest prices consistent with first-class stock and workmanship. A. STEWART, C/O R. YATES AND BLANCHARD STS.

HOUSES TO RENT. 4 rooms, Craigflower road, furnished, \$13. 9 rooms, No. 45 Vancouver St., furnished 23. 9 rooms, No. 127 Menzies St., furnished 40. 5 rooms, Oak Bay Ave. 7. 6 rooms, No. 1 Hill St. 10. 6 rooms, No. 22 Second St. 10. 7 rooms, Dominion road, 1 acre 20. 6 rooms, Head St. 10. 4 rooms, Spanish road, 4 acres 25. 6 rooms, 17 Pioneer St. 11. Houses and Fruit Lands For Sale. BEAUMONT BOGGS 42 FORT ST. BROKER.

# OUR Seidlitz Powders

Relieve You of That Tired Feeling  
TAKE ONE BEFORE BREAKFAST.

**CYRUS H. BOWES**  
CHEMIST,  
98 Government St., Near Yates St.  
Phones, 425 and 450.

## City News in Brief.

—Go to Senate school for oyster cock-balls.

—The Victoria West Methodists are bent on keeping up the New Year's festivities. They are giving a grand tea meeting on Monday evening. Rev. James Turner, the president of the B. C. conference, and local pastors will be present.

—Captain Anderson, of the tug Edna Grace, denies that a scow load of lumber which the steamer was towing ran ashore by accident. He says that the scow was purposely beached to prevent her from capsizing.

—The annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school of the Reformed Episcopal church was held last evening. There was a large crowd in attendance. The hall was appropriately decorated. Proceedings were opened by the presentation of stars and badges for regular attendance. Presents were also distributed.

—Courts Vancouver and Northern Light, A. O. F., held a Christmas tree and entertainment last evening. There was a large attendance of the little ones with their parents and friends. Santa Claus visited the hall and distributed presents from a well laden tree. An excellent program followed, after which the hall was cleared and an enjoyable dance was indulged in, music being provided by the Bantley orchestra. This lasted until midnight, all spending a most pleasant time.

—On Monday evening last at Seattle, Miss Marie F. Sullivan, eldest daughter of Mrs. Ewing, and sister of Mrs. G. J. Cook, of Victoria, and Mr. Frank G. Hackman, of Ellensburg, Wash., were united in the bonds of matrimony. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, and was performed by Rev. Don Reid Ross. Miss Mabel Ewing attended the bride, and Mr. G. J. Cook, of this city, supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Hackman will make their home at Ellensburg, Wash.

—Three Hot Drinks: Tomato Bracer, Clam Cocktails, K. P. C. Wine. Try them

# A SACRIFICE!

Small Cottage, With Half Acre Land

Close to car line, set out in young fruit trees and small fruits, suitable for chicken ranch and fruit growing. It will pay you to investigate this, as it is a GENUINE BARGAIN.

**FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE AGENTS.**  
MONEY TO LOAN.  
**GRANT & CONYERS,**  
Successors to P. C. MacGregor & Co.,  
NO. 2 VIEW STREET.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wells and family are visiting Mrs. J. W. McKee, of Oak Bay avenue.

—W. H. Adams, sporting goods store, beg to inform their friends and customers that they have removed to 104 Government street, opposite B. C. market.

—Another nice six-roomed cottage just completed, is being offered at a bargain by H. T. Knott, 18 Caledonia avenue. May be had on installment plan.

—The regular meeting of Colfax Reuben lodge will be held on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Officers will be installed and members are requested to attend.

—For thirty days we are making a large reduction in the price of overcoats. No reason why you should freeze, so call and see our large stock of fashionable overcoats, purchase one and keep warm. Also reduction in price of suits and pants. Kinaird, The Cash Tailor, 62 Johnson street.

—The benefit concert to have been given in Victoria West last evening had to be postponed owing to Messrs. Prince and Daniels, two of the musicians taking part in it, being aboard the Chatham, and hence prevented from arriving. The audience refused to accept a refund of the price of the admission, which goes to the fund.

—The annual meeting of the Veteran Association of Vancouver Island for the selection of officers and receiving the financial report of the past year and other business, will be held in The Pioneer hall on Tuesday at 8 o'clock. This meeting is of much importance, as the question of arranging various matters for the ensuing year should be settled. There is considerable diversity of opinion on matters affecting the association which requires every member to make an effort to attend.

—This evening at the drill hall, in connection with the band concert, those present will have an opportunity of witnessing an inter-city game of basketball between the Victoria Young Ladies' Club and the young ladies' organization of New Westminster. The ladies comprising the Royal City team came over on the steamer Charmer last evening, and are staying at the Vernon. This forenoon they had an excellent practice at the drill hall, and showed themselves to be adepts in this popular sport. The game this evening will commence at 8:45 o'clock.

—Get one of the local views given free to every purchaser at Weller Bros., Government street.

—The football games announced to be played this afternoon have been postponed on account of the Chatham disaster.

—Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

—This evening a general meeting of Alderman Barnard's committee will be held at the Army and Navy Cigar Store, commencing at 8 o'clock promptly. An invitation is extended to all interested to attend.

—The old reliable Mutual Life of Canada offers the best policy at the lowest premium rates. It will pay you to see our rates and plans before insuring elsewhere. Apply to R. L. Drury, provincial manager, 34 Broad street.

—The First Presbyterian church choir is hard at work rehearsing every Wednesday and Friday the Scottish part songs for the annual Burns concert on the 25th inst. The choir is to be augmented for the occasion, and under the direction of J. G. Brown should give a good account of itself in these beautiful four part arrangements. A splendid programme of songs, duets, etc., is being prepared, in addition by the best talent the city can produce, full particulars of which will be given later.

—The provincial library has been presented with the catalogue of all selected books, prepared by the British Museum, and the work consists of fifty volumes and is valued at \$84 in England. The volumes came to the library through efforts of E. O. S. Scholefield, provincial librarian, who some little time ago interested himself in the work of obtaining it, and he wrote to Sir Henry M. Thompson, the librarian of the British Museum, asking whether an application for the voluminous catalogue would be entertained by him. A reply was received promptly, stating that the fifty volumes would be sent. They arrived yesterday and are now on the shelves of the library.

**A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.**  
Itching, Blind, Bleeding and Protruding Piles. No cure, no pay. All druggists are authorized by the manufacturers of Pano Ointment, to refund the money when it fails to cure any case of piles, no matter of how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in six days; the worst cases in fourteen days. One application gives ease and rest. Relieves itching instantly. This is a new discovery and it is the only pile remedy sold on a positive guarantee, no cure, no pay. Price 50c. If your druggist hasn't it in stock send 50 cents (Canadian stamps accepted) to The Pano Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine, the celebrated cold cure.

While Chester Raymond was inspecting the ruins of a building in Detroit which had been gutted by fire, one of the walls fell, killing him instantly.

Don't wait to break down before you begin to build up.

**Abbey's Effervescent Salt**

forestalls the wear and tear on your liver and kidneys.

At all Druggists. Price, 50c. and 60c.

## The Paterson Shoe Co.'s Stores

What About Our Gaiters or Leggings?

Do you know what comfort and pleasure they give at slight cost?

**FOR CHILDREN**  
Corduroy Leggings, Ribbed Hing, warm, natty, and everlasting wear, 90c. a pair. Black and Tan Leggings, 100c. Cloth or Leather, from 90c. to \$2.00.

**FOR LADIES**  
Three-quarter Length Black Overgaiters, good strong cloth, well finished and leather stayed backs, 10 buttons, 75c. Leggings, in all lengths, from \$1.25 to \$2.00.

**Men's English Spats**  
All colors, \$1.25 to \$2.75.

Keep your ankles warm—it doesn't cost much and may save a doctor's bill.

**The Paterson Shoe Co., Ltd.**

# The Biggest Clothing Sale

Of the Season Opens on

## SATURDAY, JAN. 9,

—AT—

# McCandless Bros.

JOHNSON STREET

Our Big Stock of Clothing, all fresh and fashionable, will be thrown into the sale. Nothing reserved. Everything at Bargain Prices.

## 25 to 50 per Cent. Reduction on All Suits and Overcoats

If you give us the pleasure of a look, we are satisfied you will not leave without a bargain.

**McCandless Bros.** 37 Johnson Street

**Complete Graphophones**  
WITH 1 DOZ. RECORDS,  
\$10.00

We have just received a new shipment of these fine instruments, together with a fine lot of new records.

**Edison Phonographs, Victor Gramophones**  
AT REGULAR PRICES.

**FLETCHER BROS.**  
93 Government Street.

**Cost Cuts No Figure**  
**MUST BE SOLD**  
**Corner Lot and 6-Roomed Dwelling**

Electric light, sewer connection and other modern conveniences. Only \$1,100, terms if necessary. Car line within three minutes' walk.

**P. R. Brown, Ltd.,**  
30 BROAD ST.

**Dallas Hotel**  
**ROOM AND BOARD**

At reasonable rates during winter months

**Rooms En Suite or Single**  
Heated with steam throughout.

"Your wife has a fine voice." "Yes, one of the best in the world, otherwise it would have been worn out several years ago."  
—There is 87 per cent. of water and 13 per cent. of solids in milk. The sugar in the solids is in greater proportion than in any other solid.

**MONEY TO LOAN**  
At current rates. Improved real estate security.

Insure in the **Manchester Fire Assurance Co.**  
Established, 1824.  
**Swinerton & Oddy,**  
102 GOVERNMENT ST.

**SANTAL-MIDY**  
Standard remedy for Gleet, Gonorrhoea and Runny Nose. Cures in 48 HOURS. Cures Syphilis and Bladder Troubles.

# Nestside

VICTORIA'S POPULAR STORE

## January Sale of Hosiery and Underwear TO-NIGHT

This is where the unusual happens again. Clearing out our Winter Underwear and Hosiery just at the height of the season and making prices so tempting that few can resist buying.

### ON SALE TO-NIGHT

<b>CASHMERE HOSE</b> Women's Plain and Ribbed Cashmere Hosiery, in all sizes, guaranteed fast black, and natural wool. Regular values 30c. and 35c. a pair. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>20c</b>	<b>UNDERWEAR</b> Women's Vests and Drawers, Ribbed Wool, vest with long sleeves, drawers perfect fitting. Regular value 50c. each. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>25c</b>
<b>CASHMERE HOSE</b> Women's All-Wool Cashmere Hosiery, in Plain and Ribbed Style, with double heels and toes. Regular values 35c. and 40c. a pair. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>30c</b>	<b>UNDERWEAR</b> Women's Ribbed Wool Vests and Drawers, also our special push lined Underwear for women. Regular value 60c. each. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>40c</b>
<b>CASHMERE HOSE</b> Women's Extra Special Fast Black Cashmere Hosiery, Ribbed and Plain, with double heels and toes. Regular value 50c. a pair. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>35c</b>	<b>UNDERWEAR</b> Women's All-Wool Ribbed Underwear, vests and drawers, extra fine quality, and well finished. Regular value 65c. each. Our Sale Price To-Night... <b>45c</b>

**MEN'S FURNISHING SALE TO-NIGHT**  
**THE HUTCHESON CO., LD., VICTORIA.**

## Shears and Scissors

Large Variety in Tailors', Dressmakers', Machine Workers', Barbers', Paper Hangers', Etc., Etc.

**FOX'S** Sheffield Cutlery Store,  
78 Government Street.

## SATURDAY'S SPECIALS

Finest Manitoba Jersey Creamery Butter, per lb. . . . . 25c  
Local Fresh Eggs, per doz. . . . . 35c  
Our "Rajah" and "Kalambu" Brands of Tea are favorites because they are good sellers.

**The Saunders' Grocery Co., Ltd.**  
Phone 28. 30 and 41 Johnson Street.

**The "West End" Grocery Co., Ltd.,**  
Phone 88. 42 Government Street.

## Manual Training School

### DEPOT FOR TOOLS

For Boys.

**Nicholles & Renouf, Ltd.,**  
Corner Yates and Broad Sts.,  
Victoria, B. C.

**15 Per Cent. 15 Per Cent. 15 Per Cent.**

We have just received a splendid assortment of . . . . .

## Table Lamps

Which, arriving too late for the Xmas Trade, we are offering at 15 per cent. discount to reduce our stock. These are genuine bargains.

**THE HINTON ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.**  
62 Government Street.

## Lett's and Canadian Office Diaries

And all other necessary office supplies can be had in greater variety from

# T. N. Hibben & Co.

Than anywhere else in the city.

# WEILER BROS

House Furnishings of Every Description. Economy Store for Home Needs.

It is not economy to purchase poorly made, shoddy furniture—no matter how low the price. More people are coming to this conclusion every day, as is evidenced by our increased patronage, not only the wealthy, but those in moderate circumstances, now buy good furniture, because they have learned that it is not only more satisfactory, but actually cheaper in the long run to do so.

In making up our Stock we begin at the top—the very best—and go down the line of grades as far as reliability will permit, but there we stop!

We never purchase anything that will be unreliable or unsatisfactory—no matter what price inducements are offered.

The extent of our purchase and the extent of our Sales enable us to sell

## Reliable Furniture

AT PRICES AS LOW AS ARE QUOTED ELSEWHERE ON INFERIOR GRADES

<b>THE KITCHEN</b> Kitchen Chairs, from . . . . . 55c. each. Kitchen Tables, from . . . . . \$2.50 each. Kitchen Dressers, from . . . . . \$12.50 each.	<b>THE BEDROOM</b> Bedroom Suites, 3 pieces, from . . . \$17.00 Wood Bedsteads, from . . . . . \$22.50 each. Iron Bedsteads, from . . . . . \$5.50 each. "Sideway" Tables, price . . . . . \$6.00 each.
<b>THE DINING ROOM</b> Dining Chairs, from . . . . . \$1.00 each. Dining Tables, from . . . . . \$9.00 each. Arm Chairs, from . . . . . \$2.25 each. Cane Seat Chairs, from . . . . . \$1.35 each. Rocking Chairs, from . . . . . \$1.75 each. Children's High Chairs, from . . . \$1.50 each. Children's Rockers, from . . . . . \$1.00 each. Splaybottoms, from . . . . . \$15.00 each. Buffets, from . . . . . \$25.00 each.	<b>THE DRAWING ROOM</b> Reed Chairs, from . . . . . \$3.50 each. Reed Rockers, from . . . . . \$3.50 each. China Cabinets, from . . . . . \$20.00 each. Lounges, from . . . . . \$10.00 each. Parlor Cabinets, from . . . . . \$7.00 each. Parlor Tables, from . . . . . \$3.50 each. Ladies' Desks, from . . . . . \$14.00 each. Secretaries, from . . . . . \$7.50 each. Book Cases, from . . . . . \$20.00 each.
<b>THE HALL</b> Umbrella Stands, from . . . . . \$2.25 each. Hall Racks, from . . . . . \$12.00 each. Hall Chairs, from . . . . . \$3.00 each.	<b>THE OFFICE</b> Wood Seat Stools, from . . . . . 75c. each. Typewriter Chairs, from . . . . . \$4.00 each. Office Chairs, from . . . . . \$5.50 each.

Corporation of the City of Victoria.

Church Services To-Morrow

CHURCH OF OUR LORD. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. usual, with sermons by Rev. H. J. Wood.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1903.

Table with columns for ASSETS, LIABILITIES, and BALANCE. Includes items like Public Lighting, Sinking Funds, and Municipal Taxes.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1903.

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES. Includes items like Sewers Rental, Sinking Funds, and Municipal Council.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Multiple tables for various corporations: The Port Street Local Improvement, Yates and Broad Streets, Menzies Street, Government Street, and Carnegie Library Fund.

Real Property, Etc., Owned by the Corporation.

Table listing real property owned by the corporation, including lots, streets, and buildings with their respective values.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1903.

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES. Includes items like Deposits, Municipal Council, and Education.

We Get Some Every Day. Advertisement for Mowat & Wallace, leading grocers, featuring Red Deer Creamery Butter.

The Need of Our Bread. Advertisement for D. W. Hanbury, Prop., featuring The London Vancouver Bakeries.

Wood's Phosphorine. Advertisement for a medicinal product, including an illustration of a person and text describing its benefits.

# FIRE SALE! FIRE SALE!

## ARMY AND NAVY

## CLOTHING STORE

117 GOVERNMENT STREET 117

Stock

Damaged by

Fire

And Water

Fire Sale Starts

Monday

Morning, Jan. 11

(Doors Open 9 O'clock)

Fire Sale

Stock

Damaged by

Fire

And Water

Clothing  
Boots & Shoes

Mackinaws  
Gum Boots

Pants  
Suspenders

Blankets  
White Shirts

Trunks & Valises  
Men's Socks

Underwear  
Neckties

Overcoats

Oilskins

Hats and Caps

Color'd Shirts

Collars, Cuffs

Gloves

Raincoats

Work'g Shirts

Sweaters

Boys Knickers

Suspenders

Handkerch'fs

Boots & Shoes

Work'g Boots

Cardigans

Boys' Suits

Boys' Boots

Men's Shoes

FIRE SALE---MONDAY, JAN. 11TH.---FIRE SALE.

# Army & Navy Clothing Store

117 GOVERNMENT ST. 117.

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Sale Begins Monday Morning, Jan. 11th. Doors Open 9 O'clock.

**W. JONES,**  
Dominion Government Auctioneer,  
Is instructed by Mr. W. G. Eden, who is retiring from business, to sell by  
**AUCTION**  
On the Premises, No. 125 Fort Street,  
Monday, January 11th  
At 11 a. m., His

**Entire Stock in Trade, Fixtures, Etc.**

Four Ranges, 2 Heaters, Large Coffee Mill, 4 Woven Wire Springs, Lot Beds Pillows, Tables, Chairs, New and Used Tools of every description, Platform and Other Scales, Hanging and Other Lamps, Writing Desk, Counters, Carpets, Clocks, Baby Buggies, Guns, Carols, New Lounges, Easy Chairs, Puffs, Showers, Spices, Fancy Goods, etc., too numerous to mention.

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**STEAMER CLALLAM**  
**FOUNDERS--FIFTY**  
**PEOPLE PERISH**  
(Continued from page 1.)

R. Case, of Kingsley, Mich., was a passenger on the Clallam, and he tells a better and more connected story than most.

He, with his partner, E. F. Ferris, were in the smoking room of the steamer when the purser came and told them when the vessel had better get out and secure life preservers. They asked why, and he took them outside and they at once realized what he meant. The water began pouring into the steamer a few minutes after that, and the boats were lowered, with orders from the captain that none but women and children go in them, until all of these had been taken care of.

The first boat founded almost as soon as it struck the water, and none were saved.

The second boat fared better. The men were absolutely sure that this boat went down, although it is generally supposed safe in the case.

The third boat shared the fate of the first.

The men of the Clallam's crew manned these boats and were lost with the women and children.

The last boat contained a number of men, as there were no more women left. After that the attention of those remaining aboard was bent on keeping the steamer afloat. Three gangs of ballers were started, the passengers working as hard as the crew. He says they managed to keep the vessel even for a long time and all had hopes for the best.

There was no panic, everyone realizing the seriousness of the situation, getting down and doing his level best to keep the vessel afloat.

At 10 o'clock, or a little later, the tug Holyoke came in sight. She lost no time getting to their assistance and got a line aboard and took the Clallam in tow. She made fair headway, but the seas were running fearfully high and the water began to gain on them fast, the sea washing in through many openings.

Previous to this they had got rid of the life to lighten the vessel.

Shortly after midnight the Sea Lion arrived.

A half hour or so later the Clallam went on her beam ends and began sinking rapidly. There was no chance to save the vessel and the Holyoke cut loose and started picking up men, as did the Sea Lion.

The Holyoke took seven men from the pilot's bridge.

One man was picked out of the sea where he was clinging to a plank, by Mate Hickman and a deckhand, who launched a boat.

Capt. Roberts, of the Clallam, is among the saved, and so are the officers who stayed by the vessel till the last.

Capt. Roberts thinks he had 53 passengers, and the crew numbered 32.

Of this number but 31 are accounted for, these having been brought by the tugs.

The individual list of the tugs would indicate that there were more saved, but they have not yet been located here. The tugs remained about the scene till daylight. The Holyoke reports seeing part of the upper works adrift, but the hull was gone.

**ANOTHER ACCOUNT.**

Tugs Picked Passengers from Pilot House of Sinking Ship--Searching for Missing Boat.

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Jan. 9.—Fifty lives and a fine new steamer were victims of the storm king which swept over the straits of Juan de Fuca with relentless fury yesterday and last night.

The vessel which went down was the regular passenger packet Clallam, and the drowned were principally women and children, victims of the very spirit which actuates every brave man, that of lending aid first to the weak and helpless.

The Clallam made moderately good progress across the straits, bound for Victoria until Trial island was ahead. Then a terrific cross sea was pelting the vessel, regarding her progress and making life uncomfortable for those aboard.

Little fears were manifested, however, until word came up from below that investigation showed that the waves on the windward side had stove in a dead-light through which the water rushed in volume, resisting all efforts to stop it.

Solving the efforts futile, the safety of the women and children aboard was looked after. All who desired were put off from the steamer in the ship's boats properly manned and officered.

The heavy laden boats were as cork, however, in the choppy sea and one after another, after succeeding in getting away from the vessel, they were either capsized or swamped and the terrible

fury of the storm is attested in the fact that not a woman or child of all those aboard have lived to tell the tale.

The apparent discrepancy in numbers from the list of fatalities following is accountable to the fact that only such children as paid half fare were enrolled on the passenger list.

In the meantime word had come from Victoria of the vessel's predicament, and a fleet of powerful tugs was dispatched from here to render assistance.

The Richard Holyoke, in command of Captain Robert Hall, was the first to reach the Clallam, which had by this time careened partly over from the rush of water, which had put the engines out of commission. The Holyoke reached the Clallam about 11 o'clock last night and expeditiously lowered her- self aboard, with which she started to tow the Clallam to safety.

At 1 a. m. the Clallam took a heavy list, and those remaining aboard were compelled to climb up the side to safety, finally reaching the roof of the pilot house.

The Holyoke's crew proved themselves of the right mettle, for without a moment's hesitation the tug's boats were lowered and the work of rescue commenced.

About this juncture the tug Sea Lion, Capt. Manter, arrived, and her men rendered valuable assistance.

Before all of the struggling people had been taken on board, the Holyoke commenced to break up, and soon after went down, leaving a swirling eddy in her place on the waves.

All possible assistance to the rescued people was given by the two shipmasters and their crews, and the tugs hurried here, arriving at 10 o'clock.

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The Spring Ridge run. He had been in the B. C. Electric Railway Company's service for the last three years. He and his wife had been on a visit to friends in Seattle. Mr. Turner came here from Los Angeles about three years ago, and was married in Victoria about 18 months ago.

Miss Annie Murray, one of the young ladies aboard, was a member of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church choir, and a daughter of William Murray, North Park street. The young lady was a milliner in the White House, and has a number of brothers and sisters living in this city. She had been over to Seattle visiting a sister, Mrs. E. Burns, and at the time was on her return home.

Homer Swaney has frequently visited the city in connection with mining properties. He was the prime promoter of the Ironside steel works, and more recently organized a company in Seattle to extend the smelter and erect iron works at Seattle. He had iron properties on the West Coast, including the Sarita and Cooper Island properties.

W. H. Grimes, of Redmond, Wash., a laboring man, was aboard the Clallam, bound for Victoria, and gives a concise statement.

"The weather was pretty rough," he said, "but I rather enjoyed the motion, and had no suspicion of danger until some one forward said something about life-preservers. I went forward to investigate, and then learned that a port had been stove in, and that the Clallam was making water rapidly.

"The boats were promptly manned and launched with all success, the conditions would permit, and then the women and children and passengers as desired to leave were placed in them, competent crews being in charge.

"They made off from the steamer successfully, but one after another capsized, and we were helpless to render them any assistance. They simply drowned before our eyes.

In the meantime the crew and passengers were busy bailing and trying to stop the leak, but without any success. The bailing was kept up, however, and soon we were overjoyed to learn that a big tug had hold of the vessel. The tug boat started and made pretty good progress until it became apparent that the Clallam was careening under way.

"Then all hands went on deck, and the ill-fated vessel listed as gradually crawled upon her exposed side, from where the brave fellows from the Holyoke rescued most of us."

Prominent among those known to be aboard and as yet unaccounted for, is Homer H. Swaney, the well-known iron steel plant promoter and owner of valuable iron properties in British Columbia. He boarded the vessel here and was not among the rescued.

Mrs. Lenora Richards, of this city, took passage and is lost. She is wife of the owner of the Richard III, and several other immensely rich claims in Mount Sicker, B. C.

Scant hope for the safety of more of the passengers hovers around the statement that possibly one of the boats which left the vessel may have succeeded in reaching San Juan Island.

The tugs Holyoke and Sea Lion, acting on this clue, have just left for the island to make a search of the shore line, also to pick up bodies or wreckage that may be found.

**BODIES PICKED UP.**  
Remains of Five Victims Found Among Wreckage of Clallam.  
(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Jan. 9.—Five bodies from the wrecked Clallam have just been brought in by the tug Bahada, which found them floating among the upper works this morning. The bodies are all men, two





# The Under Secretary

"We know each other well enough to be candid!"

Lady Venable's pretty mouth was pressed in a smile that was sweetly mischievous, and her eyes were all kindness. "So that if the under-secretary had any apprehensions of unpleasant elements in the quality mentioned, there was no cause for alarm."

"So he merely said, 'Oh! certainly,' and he meant it."

"Because it is not as if we talked of a cold-blooded marriage of convenience. I think I am too clever, in fact, to have ever dreamt of such a scheme with you for one of the principals. I could always read you pretty well."

The lips parted again, and the politician's expression as he met the bright eyes for an instant was just a shade more responsive than he had intended.

It was almost with a show of brusqueness that he recovered himself and put the conversation upon a line of his own.

"I must be satisfied before anything that the territory is ours, and that the concession will not wantonly endanger the peace with Germany. They have never made overt claims to it, and I don't know even that they have an eye on the place in Berlin. Walton's expedition earmarked the place roughly as British, and we have broadly speaking a priori case. But Tomlinson, who has been here thirty years, storing his mind with useless information—information, that is, that none of his chiefs have ever extracted from him—tells me confidently that at the time of the treaty of Tzouganah was used to denote the territory right down to the bank of the river, and you know that this—[drawing a sketch-map of glazed cloth, tinged in green, red and indigo—"takes you at least sixty miles to the northward."]

"But Lord Orchard sees no objection," said Lord Orchard—and the under-secretary manifestly lost his patience—"is at this moment in the flesh, where he is never absent in the spirit: on Newmarket Heath. He declares he should resign if I were transferred to another office. And I quite believe him. Somebody must attend to the business. You don't seem to realize that Orchard's consent throws all the greater responsibility on me."

"And who can better take it? If we had a war with Germany, as you have just absurdly suggested, you know that you would certainly have to go to the war office. They must have a man there at all costs, if ever the pinch comes."

A pretty woman, talking with an accent of conviction and to palpable purpose, is a stimulating draught to all men.

The under-secretary's face deliberately hardened under it, and Lady Venable contemplated the mask as steadfastly as if it had been plaster, and not flesh and blood.

Neither of them spoke for nearly a minute.

"They would put Thrisk there," was what the under-secretary said, when he directed his gaze momentarily out of the window.

"Never!" was the instantaneous reply of one who seemed to feel that her time had come for showing impatience. "He has been in the city; he is there still. Neither side will ever give their best eggs again to a man who carries them anywhere near Cape Court. They don't; they never know when one may fall and break. He may be as chaste as ice, but his power melts and flows away quietly. Nothing has ever been proved against Lambert or, even whispered; he is too wise to do anything shady, even if it were as safe as houses." But he counts for nothing now. There has been no demonstration; the party have just quietly fallen away from him, without knowing it themselves. It is even doubtful whether he would get office if he came in again. If you were to go into the city, you would find it just the same."

The effort to impart this last sentence without a change of inflection was not so successful as Lady Venable would have liked it to be, even in a candid

conversation. Still, she was pleased that Barlow did not challenge her eye. That card had proved stronger even than she had hoped.

There was another silence, and the man did not seem clear how he should break it.

"You spoke of not being cold-blooded," he mused up at last, feeling that wisdom concurred with circumstances in putting initiative on the other side.

"That was of you I spoke. And it is only because I know you—the excess of the tone was the reverse of unpleasant—that I can lay a scheme that embraces you without wrecking it by sharing the mistake of the million."

"You confess to the scheme?"

"I said we could be candid. And my scheme, besides, is for the best. I am wise enough to know that wicked devices never prosper, even in melodrama, which is almost the only place where they exist. The only diplomacy that has any chance is the kind which co-operates with Providence."

"So you help heaven to make the marriages," and the under-secretary liked his own joke well enough to dispel the grim lines which had haunted his mouth for a second or two.

"And to make a career at the same time," added the interlocutor a little carelessly, "perhaps, as if, with the instinctive embarrassment of her sex in the presence of humor, she grasped at a diversion." The charter will be a spirited development of policy. The public will be pleased that we are not for once starting into vacancy, only to wake up when some other else has half-showered us off the kerbstones. In their hearts, people will like it all the better if the German newspapers splutter over it. And that is all that Germany will do just now."

"Yes, just now," was the thoughtfully spoken reply, deepening into a look of abstraction that seemed likely to continue.

"If I give you Ethel at all," the predominant partner in the conversation resumed, bringing the author sharply back to his environment, "it is only because I know she will confirm and crown your success. Her money, of course. Well, you must marry her, obviously. And you must marry into a strong set, because your ambition is unlimited. Marriage is the only sure tie for that. Morris tried to make a backing for himself by taking up young poets, because he was a middle-class man like you—I am a candid agent because it is the best compliment—but it didn't work, as you say. He was married when he began."

"You allow there are two sides, I suppose, even to a marriage?"

"You will have no occasion for self-reproach on that ground. When she refused you last year, she didn't know her own mind. She positively doesn't want to marry now. I question if she is more than ordinarily interested in you as an unsuccessful applicant. If she had to make up her mind at this moment, her inclination would point, I should say, to Lord Wigram. She has the intellect that appreciates a—well, middle-aged man, quiet and diffident as she is."

A keen and partly anxious look accompanied the response.

"And you believe you can turn her mind otherwise? In a chaplain's advice never read by contraries?"

"All well, I am a princess of chaplains," Lady Venable looked genuinely satisfied.

"You have a legitimate pride in 'managing' people?"

"There are few people I cannot manage, as you say, unless—and the smile could not but flutter—unless it proves to be you."

II.

Embarrassment was decidedly unusual with the under-secretary. The young lady looked the more perturbed of the two; but really, no one knew what was inside a pretty head.

"I know it is indiscreet, and I have no right to come here, and if you are of-

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found you will be quite right, but I—I—She would get it over, at any rate. "If you would tell me whether this is true, I should be so much obliged."

The newspaper was folded back and across, and a glance showed the paragraph referred to. The heading was "Reported Resignation of a Minister."

Barlow knew the contents, and it was introspectively that he employed the five seconds for which his eye dwelt upon it. He looked up with a steady interested gaze, not quite free from readiness to be sardonic. After a real or ideal the emotions get a little more indulgence in minor ones. The girl was looking down, and her color was approaching full flush.

"With pleasure. It is quite true. I sent it to the prime minister yesterday. Lady Venable would be surprised, I dare say. The cynical note crept into the accent of the last sentence.

The other caught him up quite hurriedly. "Lady Venable doesn't know. At least, I think not. I came straight from breakfast. I—I—The color was furious now, and the explanation struck helplessly. There was a dead stop. The puzzled expression on the under-secretary's countenance increased, became serious and exclusive. The cynicism was gone.

"Lady Ethel, it is really very—too good of you."

But the woman found her wits first. It was becoming real drama.

"I want to know something else. Will you tell me why you did it?"

The man looked her steadily in the face, and not unkindly. But he was not ready to speak. Questions were looking from his eyes also—vague, hesitating questions of surprise.

"Believe me, I am not curious or trifling. I feel I must know, or I shall be very unhappy."

Barlow said nothing but looked down upon his blotting-pad for a moment or two, and tapped it with a paper knife. Then he made up his mind with the shadow of a smile. The stakes seemed to be inconsiderable, and—well, it was certainly interesting.

"I will tell you, then. Perhaps you have as much right to know as any one. It was because of something you said on Thursday evening."

The color had gone from the cheek, but there was a light in the eye which replaced it.

"You mean when we were speaking about men and women, and Lady Mabeth, and whether women really led men wrong?"

The words, and their eager rapidity, and everything together, seemed to force the under-secretary back upright in his chair, with eyes wide open with astonishment.

"How could you know?"

"I said it on purpose—that a man who could sell his honor for a woman made one hate all women, and I meant it; but I haven't had hoped—and when I saw the paper I nearly—and yet I don't understand. You had only to refuse."

What might pass for excitement with Barlow, to whom the condition was un-

known, gathered all the force of his nature into an expression of searching command, with the fascination of keen perceptions utterly baffled.

"Lady Ethel, we have both said too much to rest here. Tell me all your meaning."

"I know what Lady Venable wanted you to do. She told me all about it, and how"—she faltered a little here—"how she would make you do it."

A swift look of shame passed over the man's face, and an expletive almost formed itself between teeth and lips. The woman saw them both, and hurried on to make it easier for him.

"I know it was horrid of her," with a shiver; "but she said you were that sort of man, and I should see."

"But she—"

"I know. She pretended to help you. I know all she said to you. She told me all men were alike, and one must not expect too much of them. She said it would be a lesson to me about ideals when I saw how prettily she got you to do what she wanted. I hated her for it, but I couldn't speak, and I felt so unhappy. And I know how she was deceiving you. I should have loathed a man who—and I thought that night I would try and say something that would make you think—and, because—Oh! I did believe you were good. I really did!"—and there were only tears left to continue the agitated story.

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The shaking sobs were hushed; though few words had passed, when Tomlinson's quiet knock drew the under-secretary across the floor. Tomlinson always knocked, upon which the under-secretary reflected with some comfort at this juncture. From the brief colloquy at the door Barlow returned, to hold a hand which seemed equal to filling considerable gaps in conversation. There was none of the verbal sort for some minutes.

"But even now I don't see how she could have dared. I would have stopped the concession. It would not have been completed in any case for months. By then I should—"

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She looked up at him, and he returned her gaze. "Yes, you must know it all. A poor man's place is not in politics."

She looked roguish for the first time, when she said: "A good wife is the best of riches."

The evening papers announced that the fears of indisposition, entertained on Mr. Barlow's behalf, had happily proved to be unfounded.

**A MUCH COURTED DUCHESS.**

The new Duchess of Roxburgh's experiences since her debut in 1887 up to the time of the definite announcement of her engagement to her present husband must have been of a varied description, if we are to believe the American papers. "Many of Europe's aristocracy sought to honor Miss Golet with an offer of marriage. Miss Golet received the various princes, barons, dukes, lords, earls and marquises," says the New York World, "with charming courtesy, and then refused each one." A partial list of the victims to the American heiress's charms is given, and includes a half-dozen—English nobles—including "Lord Scott"—and even one prince, Prince Henry of Orleans, Prince Hugo-Hohenlohe, Prince Heinrich von Hanaau and the Grand Duke Boris of Russia. There does not happen to be any Lord Scott in the British peerage except the Duke of Buccleuch, who has been happily married for 44 years, but that is a detail with which the American press does not concern itself.—London Chronicle.

**LIFE OF DISRAELI.**

Lord Rowton's death, will probably hasten the appearance of the long-awaited "Life" of the Earl of Beaconsfield. The absolute control which Lord Rowton possessed as literary executor made it impossible to produce a life of the great Conservative leader while his private secretary felt the time inopportune or the burden of the work too great for him.

It remains to be seen whether Lord Rowton has made any testamentary disposition of the papers entrusted to him. In view of the fact that Lord Beaconsfield contemplated the publication of a biography—a fact sufficiently evident from the terms of his will—those most intimately concerned are anxious that there should be as little further delay as may be in the appearance of the "Life and Letters of Benjamin Disraeli." This view is believed to be shared by Lord Rothschild, who was co-executor with Lord Rowton of "Dizzy's" will.

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be an exception, but at 47 years of age my eyes are as keen as ever they were, and I read in bed every night.

COMING DOWN MANY PEGS

Parodies, at best, are brutal caricatures. Yet it may be a good thing, after all, to keep the poetry of the language abreast of the times.

TEARS ARE THE LANGUAGE OF PAIN

There is no difference between an opulent King and a beggar, once dead. The earth covers the doctor's blunders. Ingratitude is a vice against nature.

CITIZEN—HOW CAN YOU BE TIRED WHEN YOU ARE DOING NOTHING?

Tramp—I reckon it's 'cause dere's so much up in ter do.—Chicago News.

GRACIOUS!

"Gracious!" sighed Mr. De Spesser. "I wish I could acquire an appetite."

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A review of the Dean of Bristol's "Odds and Ends" appeared recently, and Dr. Pigeon recalls a story which, he says, is too good to be lost.

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Mr. Whympier talks of the first ascension of a mountain as a sportman would of bagging a pheasant or a hare. While camping in the Lake Louise region, although mountain-climbing was not then the purpose in view, two of the party "cut off the head" of the Mitre and Mount Whyte.

TURNING AND TWISTING

Around and around With endless rebound, Suiting and fighting, A slight to delight in, Confounding, astounding.

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