

## HOUSES DEMOLISHED BY LANDSLIDE

### TWENTY PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE DEAD

#### Debris Set on Fire By Overturning of Stoves—Number of Survivors Were Injured.

(Associated Press.)  
Haverstraw, N. Y., Jan. 8.—At least fourteen persons are believed to have perished in a landslide which carried several tenement houses down in a clay pit here last night. The houses, which were of wood, were set on fire from overturned stoves, and the debris was soon a mass of flames. Some fifty or more tenants escaped with more or less injuries.  
Up to 9 o'clock this morning none of the bodies had been recovered, and it was believed that all the missing were dead. A large force of men were kept at work in the search for bodies.  
The landslide occurred on Rutland street, in the east end of the town, where two blocks of houses are supposed to have been undermined by workmen digging clay for brickmaking.  
The catastrophe occurred about 11 o'clock, and while the victims were asleep. Seven houses went down. They had stood on the brink of a pit a hundred feet, and when the clay gave way were carried on the pit's bottom. The landslide broke the water mains, shutting off the supply of water and greatly impeding the work of rescue. Unrelated flames spread to other buildings, and but for the timely arrival of hundreds of volunteer fire fighters might have wiped out the town.  
At Work on Ruins.  
Haverstraw, N. Y., Jan. 8.—A force of men worked almost frantically today to uncover the ruins of the houses carried down in last night's landslide. Up to 11 o'clock there had been little success, owing to the great mass of debris to be moved, and to the fact that where the houses had burned the debris was so hot that the work was very slow.  
At that time it was estimated that 25 or more persons were dead as a result of falling away from the ground and the fire that followed.

## PERISHED IN SNOWSTORM

### Ranchman and Goat Herder Found Dead in New Mexico.

(Associated Press.)  
Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 8.—James Yates, living near White Sakes, Lincoln county, a half blind ranchman, perished in a snowstorm yesterday. His body was discovered by a snow-drift two miles from his cabin. As a pillow he had used his hat and scarf, and his hands were folded on his breast in an attitude of prayer.  
Charles Newton, a 73-year-old goat-herder, perished in the snowstorm. Heavy losses are being sustained by sheep owners because they made no preparations to feed the sheep during the present severe cold.

## THE MOROCCAN CONFERENCE

### Head of the French Delegation Leaves Paris Accompanied by Numerous Suits.

(Associated Press.)  
Paris, Jan. 8.—M. Reivoult, former governor of Algeria and head of the French delegation at the Moroccan conference at Algiers, accompanied by a numerous suite, left Paris at noon today for Spain. His departure was the occasion of a notable gathering of officials including representatives of Premier Rouvier and all the cabinet ministers, M. Steiner Tallandier, who was French envoy to Morocco throughout the controversy, and numerous military and civilian officials. M. Regnaud, the second French delegate, leaves to-morrow. The party will stop at Madrid in order to participate in the wedding of the Infanta Maria Teresa on January 13th to Prince Ferdinand of Savoy, reaching Algiers on January 15th.

## MURDERED AT BUTTE

### Man Once Sentenced to Be Hanged Found Dead.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 8.—Robert Shadwell was found dead, evidently having been murdered, in the Chinese section of this city yesterday.  
The body was discovered lying in an alley. The head was found to be covered with wounds, apparently having been inflicted with a blunt instrument. A portion of the skull was crushed.  
It is the theory of the police that the man was killed, either for revenge or during a fight, while in one of the opium dens, and the body then thrown into the alley.  
That he came to his end while in a partially dressed condition is believed, from the fact that his shirt was torn like shreds and his arms hastily thrust into his coat. The man was wearing a coat wrapped and buttoned about the body, but the sleeves were empty. The face had been washed before the body was thrown into the street. There is no clew to the murderers.  
Shadwell killed "Red" O'Connor, a sport, during a poker game, January 11th, 1898. He was tried three times. The first two trials resulted in verdicts of murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to be hanged. The third trial resulted in a sentence of four years in state prison, which he served.

## COUNTERFEIT CERTIFICATES

### H. Sproule, of Sproule & Co., Declares Signature of His Firm Had Been Forged.

(Associated Press.)  
Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 8.—Concerning the counterfeit stock certificates of the Norfolk and Western railroad and the report that 100 shares of the worthless stock bearing the names of "Thomas H. Harris and E. L. Green" and the guarantee of Henry Sproule & Co., brokers, of this city, had come to the surface in New York, Henry Sproule emphatically states that the signature of his firm had been forged.  
Mr. Sproule said: "Harris and Green are unknown to me, either as brokers or as traders. It was necessary, of course that the certificate bear the guarantee of some firm who was a member of the New York stock exchange, in order to make a good delivery of the stock in New York, and for this reason, I presume, our name was used. Norfolk and Western stock pays a quarterly dividend of one per cent, and was payable on January 1st, and I suppose that it was for the purpose of securing the dividend that the broker who last held the stock presented it to the company."

## THE GOVERNMENT DEPENDS TROOPS

### AGAINST CHARGE OF BARBAROUS CONDUCT

#### Says Arms and Explosives Already Seized Were Sufficient to Have Killed Thousands.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 8.—A semi-official communication on the situation in the Caucasus, published to-day, says that what happened years ago in Asiatic Turkey under the name of Armenian massacres is being repeated in the Caucasus. It says that the Armenians who were given refuge there by Russia, were introducing revolutionary and other anti-governmental methods, fomenting disorders and arousing the Mohammedans against themselves as they did in Asiatic Turkey. This, the communication says, is the real origin of the massacre which recently has occurred in several localities of the Caucasus. The government, it is announced has adopted energetic measures to combat the movement.  
It is added that Count Vorontzoff, viceroy of the Caucasus, who is ill, will be succeeded.  
Another communication published this morning defends the troops against the charge of barbarous conduct in suppressing the insurgent movement in various parts of Russia. It declares that the arms and explosives already seized were sufficient to have killed thousands of persons, and to have destroyed whole cities.  
The government, the communication says, is convinced that the nation will approve the measures adopted by it to circumvent such plots.

## OTTAWA NOTES

### Sir Wilfrid Laurier Accepts Invitation to Visit Erie.

(Special to the Times.)  
Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier promised a delegation from Erie to be a guest of the Chambers of Commerce of that place early in October next. The Premier was not able to accept an invitation for an earlier date on account of his parliamentary duties.  
Visiting Capital.  
Mr. Kelly, of Revelstoke, is here on business with the interior department. Mr. Jardine, of New Westminster, has also arrived.  
Interviews Premier.  
Lord Strathcona is discussing trade and immigration matters with Sir Wilfrid Laurier.  
Seeks Damages.  
Mayor Ellis is suing ex-Alderman Black for \$5,000 damages.

## THE PANTHER'S CRUISE

### German Gunboat Will Pay Visit to Ports in South American Republics.

(Associated Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—The German gunboat Panther, now on a cruise in South American waters, and which has on several occasions figured in international incidents, will, according to information received here, shortly visit Buenos Ayres, and later make a trip along the Paraguay river and call at Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay. The purpose of the visit, it is believed, is a desire of Germany to show her flag in the small republics, in which there are considerable German commercial interests.  
What is always behind time?—The back of a watch.

## ROGERS IS NOT COMMUNICATIVE

### HE STILL DECLINES TO ANSWER QUESTIONS

#### Again on Witness Stand at Hearing in Connection With Suit Against Alleged Oil Trust.

(Associated Press.)  
New York, Jan. 8.—Henry H. Rogers, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, whose testimony was interrupted by adjournment yesterday, was the first witness at today's session of the hearing in connection with the state of Missouri's suit against the alleged oil trust. The interrogation of Mr. Rogers was taken up to-day at the point where it was interrupted yesterday.  
"How long have you been connected with the Standard Oil Company of Indiana," asked Mr. Hadley, the attorney-general of Missouri, who is conducting the inquiry before Commissioner Sanborn. "I don't know."  
"Since its organization?" "I don't think it worth while answering that," said Mr. Rogers.  
"You will permit me to be the judge of that," replied the attorney-general. Mr. Hadley then asked Mr. Rogers if he was connected with the Standard Oil Company of Indiana when it succeeded to the business of the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky.  
"Counsel for the Standard Oil Company objected, and the witness declined to answer."  
"Were you connected in any way with the Consolidated Tank Line Company which did business in Missouri, and was succeeded by the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky?" "I decline to answer."  
"Did you ever by yourself obtain as trustee or hold any stock in the Waters-Pierce Oil Company of Missouri?" "I decline to answer on advice of counsel," replied Mr. Rogers.  
Attorney-general Hadley said to-day that Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, will be invited to appear before the commissioner.  
FULL COURT SITTING.  
Several judgments handed down before New Appeals Proceeded With.

## DIAMOND FIELD IN THE DOMINION

### DR. G. KUNZ SAYS IT MAY BE IN ONTARIO

(Associated Press.)  
New York, Jan. 8.—The Tribune this morning says:  
"There may be a rich diamond field somewhere in Canada, probably in the province of Ontario, said Dr. Geo. F. Kunz, the mineralogist of Tiffany & Co., before the New York Academy of Sciences at the American museum of natural history last night. Since 1830 about two hundred small diamonds, ranging from one-half the size of a pea to the size of a small hazel nut, have been found in various parts of the United States, where they were presumably deposited by glaciers."  
"Dr. Kunz explained that in an early period in the history of the world two glaciers descended over the continent of North America. One came directly south from James Bay, over Lake Superior, upon what is now the state of Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Ohio. A second glacier came down upon the same territory from the northeast. Dr. Kunz believes that the first of these glaciers carried into the United States diamonds from a northern source yet undiscovered. Diamonds also are found in California and in the southern Appalachian region, North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. Dr. Kunz said in part: 'The new national transcontinental railway from Quebec to Winnipeg and the great wheat region of Manitoba will traverse what of the country whence the diamonds have come. Dr. Amel declares that the government is sending out numerous surveying parties for exploration along the route. Some of these may make interesting and even important discoveries.'"

## CHINESE SITUATION

### News Reaches Washington That Conditions Are Still Unsatisfactory.

(Associated Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—Reports continue to come to the state department to the effect that conditions in China are still unsettled and unsatisfactory. No details are procurable as to the nature of the trouble, expected and the situation is puzzling in view of the disclaimer by the Chinese minister here of the least apprehension of an outbreak.

## FEELING IN BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 8.—The National Zeitung says the most recent phase of the Moroccan question caused general lassitude on the Bourse to-day, and adds that war clauses are being inserted in grain contracts, and that insurance against war is being taken out in other business. These, however, it is explained are simply precautionary measures. Imperial Three's rose five, regardless of the scare.

## A COLD SNAP

(Associated Press.)  
Plattsburg, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Last night was the coldest of the year in this section of the Adirondacks. The thermometer registered from 25 to 32 degrees below zero at different points in the mountains.

## WON ON A POUL

(Associated Press.)  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 8.—Dave DeShler, of Cambridge, won on a foul over "Kid" Godman, of Boston, in the 11th round of what was scheduled as a 15-round bout at the Deslogas A. C. in Chelsea last night.

## THE YORK COUNTY PRESIDENT ARRESTED

### AS RESULT OF FINDINGS OF COMMISSIONER

#### Phillips Alleged to Have Conspired With Others to Defraud the Public— Released on Bail.

(Associated Press.)  
Toronto, Ont., Jan. 8.—Joseph Phillips, president of the York County Loan & Savings Company, was arrested last night.  
The arrest was made at the instance of the attorney-general as a result of the findings set forth in the report of W. H. Cross, government commissioner, who investigated the affairs of the company.  
It is alleged that Phillips conspired with others, whose names are unknown, by deceit, falsehood and fraudulent means to defraud the public. If guilt is proved the maximum sentence is seven years.  
Phillips was released on \$5,000 bail.  
The sections of Mr. Cross' report, which were the chief factors in the leading to the decision to place Phillips under arrest, are to the effect that the instalment share account was grossly incorrect, the shortage appearing to be at least a million dollars, and the published statements issued by the company were increasingly untrue each year, accompanied by similarly false returns to the government. For this the report holds Phillips responsible, the ignorance of other officials as to the gross misstatements being possible and even likely.

## BENCHERS MEETING

### Successful Candidates at the Recent Law Examinations in the Province.

The benchers of the Law Society met last evening. There were present C. E. Pooley, K. C., who presided, Sir Chas. Hibbert Zupke, K. C., E. V. Bodwell, K. C., A. E. McPhillips, K. C., C. R. Hamilton, K. C., G. E. Corbould, E. P. Davis, K. C., and F. C. Elliott.  
The results of the recent examinations were received showing that the following had been successful:  
Preliminary.—W. F. McDonald and A. S. Johnston.  
First Intermediate.—C. L. Harrison.  
Second Intermediate.—G. C. Van Horne, W. E. Banton and H. Shandley.  
Final for Admission.—J. P. H. Role.  
Eastern Canadian Barristers and Solicitors for Call and Admission.—H. E. Ridley, F. G. Crisp, C. W. Craig, W. E. Burritt and G. G. Duncan.

## GREENE AND GAYNOR

### Appear Before Federal Court to Answer Several Indictments.

(Associated Press.)  
Savannah, Jan. 8.—J. D. Greene and Jno. F. Gaynor appeared this morning in the federal court for the southern district of Georgia before Judge Emory Speer to answer several indictments charging them with conspiring to defraud the government, with embezzlement, and with receiving money known to have been embezzled from the United States.  
With the two defendants appeared Peter Mehrlin as leading counsel, and Oshorn and Lawrence as associate counsel.  
United States Attorney-General Marion Erwin, assisted by Samuel Adams and General Thos. F. Barr, United States army (retired), and formerly judge advocate-general, whom Mr. Erwin introduced to the court as assigned by the Attorney-General to assist the prosecution, appeared for the government.  
Shortly after the convening of the court Mr. Erwin announced at this time he desired to call only the cases of Greene and Gaynor.  
A canal has twice the carrying power of an ox. With an ordinary load of 100 or 200 hundred pounds he can travel twelve or fourteen days without water, going forty miles a day.

## CAMPAGIN OPENS IN NORTH WARD

### INAUGURAL MEETING TO BE HELD TO-NIGHT

#### Mayorality and Other Candidates Will Address Electors on Municipal Matters—Some Questions.

What may be considered the opening gun of the municipal campaign will be fired this evening at a meeting of the electors of North Ward to be held in the assembly room of the school building of that district. As mentioned in the Times yesterday, both the mayorality candidates, Charles Hayward and A. J. Morley, will be present, having agreed to a proposal for a series of combined meetings preceding election. This should add to the general interest, as they are first-class speakers, and have pronounced opinions on all questions of importance to the municipality. Then the aldermanic and school trustee aspirants, all of whom have received invitations, should be present in force. An opportunity will be given all to deliver brief addresses. Representatives of the North Ward, Spring Ridge and Victoria West Municipal Associations proposed putting the following series of questions to each of the candidates:  
Will you, if elected, introduce or support measures providing for:  
1. A fair redistribution of the wards?  
2. Appointment of an independent auditor?  
3. Independent court of revision and board of equalization?  
4. Recreation grounds for North Ward?  
5. Abolishing trades licenses?  
6. Freedom of candidates from corporation influence?  
7. Greater publicity in the conduct of public business?  
8. Consulting constituents by public meeting before passing measures involving extraordinary expenditures?  
9. The city securing a controlling interest in the future disposition of the Indian reserve?  
10. A school for Victoria West?  
11. Gradual absorption of public utilities?  
12. Adult suffrage the qualification in lieu of payment of taxes in voting for mayor, aldermen and school trustees?  
The probability, therefore, is that the discussion will deal principally with these matters. Readers of the Times will remember that the platform thus epitomized was outlined at a general meeting of the ratepayers of the district mentioned, held last Tuesday evening. It is the intention to insist upon an expression of opinion from each of the candidates upon the question outlined.  
In these columns yesterday an error was made when the name of W. Humphrey was included in the list of candidates for Centre Ward. Mr. Humphrey is running for the South Ward, and so announces himself in his card addressed to the ratepayers.  
The nominations will take place on Monday, the 15th, at the city hall, and polling on Thursday, the 18th. W. W. Northcott, the city assessor, will act as returning officer.

## BROKE A SHAFT

### Accident to the Steam Freighter Oscar Brought Here for Repairs.

On Saturday the steam freighter Oscar, loaded with coal from Tacoma for Victoria, was towed to port with a broken shaft. The accident occurred off Port Townsend. Fortunately tide and wind carried the steamer towards port, and a boat being sent ashore a wire was directed to Victoria asking for instructions, with the result that an American tug, the first that offered, was engaged. This vessel at once went out for the Oscar, and taking her in tow brought her to a point off Trial Island, where C. Goodwin's launch met the stranded craft and took her the remaining distance. The steamer is now on "Purdy's" ways receiving repairs and a new shaft, her machinery having been damaged as a result of the great disturbance caused by the breaking of the shaft. In this case of accident the owner acted promptly, fearing that a change of weather might bring disaster to the steamer. Having bargained with the owners of the tug before accepting her towing services, the owner of the vessel has no claim for salvage that might otherwise be brought against the disabled vessel.

## MARY ENTRIES FOR THE POULTRY SHOW

### KEEN COMPETITION IN MOST VARIETIES

#### Annual Exhibition Will be Held Thurs- day, Friday and Saturday at Market Building.

Preparations for the annual show under the auspices of the Victoria Poultry Association are proceeding apace. It will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the market building, and promises to be the most successful in the annals of the organization mentioned. Over eight hundred entries have already been received by the secretary, and in all probability, more will be on hand before the formal opening of the exhibition. These will include the most aristocratic representatives of poultry in the northwest. All the most popular varieties will be well represented, while classes not generally known are attracting some attention on the part of the best known breeders of the coast. Thus, those interested in the propagation of poultry will be able to see the finest of the ordinary birds, as well as a number of more novel varieties. It is questionable whether the present accommodation will be sufficient, in fact, the advisability of extending the scope has been under consideration among members of the management committee.  
As in all other lines, the fancy of the poultry breeders changes each year. At one time they will devote almost exclusive attention to one class, and at another their effort will be directed towards the improvement, by means of scientific propagation, of something entirely different. From what can be gathered, however, there is comparatively little alteration in the popularity of the respective classes from last year. The keenest competition will be among the Buff Orpingtons, the Black Minorcas, and the Barred Rock and Brown and White Leghorns. These birds come from widely separated points, namely, Saturna and Gallane Islands, Duncan's, Nanaimo, Cobble Hill, Victoria, etc. Elmer Dixon, of Oregon City, who has been selected as judge, will have to utilize his acknowledged extensive knowledge of poultry to decide upon the winners of the blue ribbon. He commences his task to-morrow morning, and hopes to be finished by evening. Through such an arrangement the awards will have been made and posted before the day upon which the exhibition is thrown open to the general public.  
This morning President Baylis, of the association, announced that on the afternoon of Thursday one of the incubators would hatch, an operation that is always interesting to the veriest novice in poultry culture. The president states that the hatch will be comfortably heated every day of the exhibition. In addition hot coffee and light refreshments will be served free of charge to those attending. This is a distinct innovation, and should contribute materially to the comfort and enjoyment of guests.

## WEEK OF PRAYER

### Opening Meetings Held Yesterday Afternoon and Evening Were Pronounced a Success.

In the Y. M. C. A. rooms yesterday afternoon commencing at 3 o'clock the opening meeting took place in the week of prayer and conference, being held this week in common with a movement among evangelical churches throughout the world. Rev. T. W. Gladstone, president, and Right Rev. Bishop Cridges gave an address, dealing largely with the subject of thanksgiving. He spoke with great vigor, and held the attention of his audience throughout.  
In the evening a meeting was held in the First Presbyterian church, at which Rev. Dr. Campbell presided. Rev. F. Tappscott was the speaker. He dealt principally with the theme of thanksgiving, and went on to show how every one felt short of the glory of God. His remarks were listened to with the utmost interest. During the evening J. G. Brown sang a very appropriate hymn entitled "A Little Talk With Jesus." Altogether the meetings yesterday were acknowledged very successful. They will be continued to-day when the subject for consideration will be the Church Universal. Rev. H. J. McIntyre will be the afternoon speaker and Rev. W. Leslie Clay the evening speaker.

## COUNCIL OF WOMEN

### A Vigorous Policy Will be Acted Upon by This Society During Year.

The Women's Council met yesterday afternoon, and was very well attended. In reply to a request for aid from the National Council it was decided to give some financial assistance.  
The council also gave its unanimous endorsement of the candidature of Mrs. Jenkins as school trustee.  
Standing committees for the year were appointed. In this connection the meeting was strongly in favor of a vigorous prosecution of the work of the year as indicated by the resolutions passed at the annual meeting of the society. The committees appointed will, therefore, see that all possible is done to carry into effect the objects aimed at. These include the endorsing of a principal university, the question of divorce, the adoption of means for keeping children off the streets at night and the keeping of food supplies pure.

## BIG REDUCTION IN FREIGHT RATES

### TARIFF ON CUMBERLAND IS GREATLY REDUCED

#### Merchants of Coal Town Club Together to Move Goods by Scow—The School Situation.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)  
Cumberland, Jan. 6.—It is reported that freight rates between here and Victoria have been cut in two. Believing that freight rates were too high the local firm of Riggs & Whyte made arrangements to have their goods shipped by some cheaper means, and on December 22, 75 tons of freight were brought over from Vancouver to Courtenay on an independent scow and stored in a building rented for the purpose to be used as required. This week word was received of the reduction in rates from Victoria. Owing to the great extent of the reduction the firm of Riggs & Whyte decided to dissolve their partnership. Mr. Partridge will carry on the business, taking in a new partner from Vancouver. The same firm intend starting a store at Courtenay, and have already rented premises. It is rumored that Mr. Napier will go into the hotel business.  
Samuel Moore, M. A., former teacher of Comox school, has left to take a school in the interior.  
Miss Charlotte Willemar has secured the Puntledge school for the next term, while Miss Mary Willemar takes a temporary position on the staff of the Cumberland public school.  
Misses Hill and Bate, of the Cumberland public school, are attending the Normal school in Vancouver.  
Robert Grant, M. P. P., has left to take up his seasonal duties at Victoria.  
The new school act is now being thoroughly discussed among the citizens, but its full meaning has not yet been realized. When it is there is little doubt that the provincial government will come in for a great share of abuse, owing to the peculiar situation here the city of Cumberland is likely to have to pay for some 100 children outside of the district who are now attending the public school. Union has alongside the city of Cumberland, and being out of the school district, one would have supposed that the government would have taken steps to make some provision for the education of these children before the beginning of the year. The property belongs to James Dunsmuir, and is therefore non-assessable. The assessable amount does not amount to very much, so that the school funds would be but little helped out even if Union were united to the city, but it hardly seems fair that Cumberland should have to educate Union children.

## FRENCH CHAMBER

### Deputies Re-Elect M. Dommor as President Over M. Sarrion.

(Associated Press.)  
Paris, Jan. 8.—M. Dommor to-day was re-elected President of the Chamber of Deputies by a small majority over M. Sarrion. The result ensures Dommor's candidacy for the presidency of the republic on January 18th, and also indicates Sarrion's growing strength as a presidential candidate.

## THE STRIKE OF PRINTERS

### Two Hundred and Ten Houses in New York Have Signed Agreement.

New York, Jan. 8.—Out of 217 printing houses in this city, 210 have signed the 8 hours day and closed shop agreement with the printers.





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FIGHT AGAINST OIL COMPANIES

H. H. ROGERS DECLINES TO ANSWER QUESTIONS Thomas W. Lawson Will Give Evidence -The Irrepressible Photographer Again at Work.

New York, Jan. 8.-H. H. Rogers, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey...

Mr. Rogers was testifying when the court adjourned today. After the adjournment, Attorney-General Hadley's attention was called to some published advice concerning the proceedings...

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ELECTIONS THIS MONTH.

Last Poll For Imperial Columns Must Close on January 27th. London, Jan. 8.-The first polling for the House of Commons which was dissolved to-day, will take place January 13th at Greenwich, where Lord Hugh Cecil, leader of the Conservative free traders, is engaged in a triangular fight for the seat against a Liberal and a Chamberlainite. The last poll must close January 27th. Therefore, within a fortnight the verdict of the majority of the electors will be known, and the probable life of the Liberal government will be measurable.

His Majesty has summoned to assemble to meet at Westminster February 13th. The leaders of the opposing forces mounted the hustings to-night and the rallying cry of the main forces and factions engaged in the combat were heard everywhere. No less than fifteen members of the House and the present opponents spoke, including former Premier Balfour, Herbert Henry Asquith, Joseph Chamberlain, John Morley, Lord Lansdowne, John Burns, David Lloyd George and Austin Chamberlain.

The speakers continued to ring the changes against home rule and tariff reform. The Liberals along the line attacked the national record of the past ten years, while the unionists in the main were on the defensive. Mr. Asquith issued his address to-day. It is devoted exclusively to answering the proposals for tariff reform, finding strong fortification in the results of the best of trade for 1905.

Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at Westbury to-night, said he surrendered the great office of colonial secretary of which he was proud because he had become deeply impressed with the importance of tariff reform. He spoke favorably of the members of the new cabinet. Questioned with regard to Morocco, Sir Charles said that the difficulties predicted over the Moroccan situation were frightfully exaggerated, and that there was no danger of a war arising therefrom.

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Timothy Healy will not be opposed for re-election in North Leith. Cardinal Logue, archbishop of Armagh, said he was "delighted" to hear that Mr. Healy had declared in favor of Mr. Healy and against any contest of his seat by the United Irish League. John Edmund, president of the United Irish League and leader of the Irish parliamentary party announced to-night that the league would not run a candidate for Mr. Healy's seat.

TRANSPORTATION RATES.

Report of the Committee on Railways Submitted at Meeting of Yesterday. The report of the railway committee submitted at the council meeting of the board of trade yesterday morning and referred to the quarterly meeting on Friday is as follows:

Gentlemen-The undersigned beg leave to report that the committee on railways has had under consideration certain correspondence from the Dawson Board of Trade, submitted to them by the council of this board, relative to transportation rates by way of the White Pass & Yukon route. In this correspondence it is stated that the earnings of the White Pass & Yukon route during the present year approximate \$3,000,000, or three-eighths of the total yield of gold in the Yukon during the year.

That of this large sum approximately \$2,000,000 were paid for the carriage of 50,000 tons of freight - distance of 60 miles by rail and 60 by water down stream. About 5,000 passengers were carried by the railway during the year. That while it is true that the transportation reason for freight is short, the cost of operating the route during the remainder of the year is largely offset by mail subsidies, express charges and charges on local freight.

That the charges made by the White Pass & Yukon route are excessive, and render it impossible for the lower grade gravels to be worked at a profit. In view of these alleged facts, the Dawson Board of Trade ask that the Dominion government shall make a thorough investigation of the subject, and if it is not possible to bring about a reduction of rates, that a subsidy may be given to another transportation company, whose rates will be subject to government control.

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The subject of transportation to the Yukon has frequently been discussed by this board, but it is of as great importance now as at any previous time. The fact that the almost output of gold is less than it was a few years ago, and that the gravels worked are not so rich, makes excessive transportation charges more burdensome. There is no reason to suppose that the supply of gold is nearing exhaustion. The Yukon council and the North American Transportation Company have had independent investigations made of the unworked gravels in the vicinity of Dawson, and the reports place the probable amount of gold remaining to be taken out at from \$20,000,000 to \$24,000,000. This takes no account of the likelihood of quartz mines being worked.

The Dominion government is considering the steps necessary to be taken to supply sufficient water to ensure the continuous and profitable working of these gravel beds. While the committee appreciates the difficulty of arriving at any definite conclusion from an ex parte statement as to show far the charges of the White Pass & Yukon route are excessive, they are very much impressed with the apparent justice of the complaints made by the Dawson Board of Trade, and they are convinced that the request of that body for an investigation of the subject by the Dominion government is wholly reasonable, and they recommend that this board give it their unqualified endorsement.

The conditions surrounding gold mining in the Yukon at the present time are such every obstacle that is removable ought to be removed, and among those obstacles high transportation charges are the most important, and they increase the cost of work of all kinds. Your committee recommend the following resolution: That the representations of the Dawson Board of Trade in regard to the transportation charges of the White Pass & Yukon route ought to receive immediate investigation at the hands of the Dominion government.

And that a copy of this resolution and the report upon which it is based be sent to the minister of railways and the Dawson Board of Trade. CHARLES H. LUGRIN, Chairman Committee on Railways.

The celebration of the Russian Christmas at St. Petersburg on Sunday passed quietly and without untoward incident. The religious services in the churches were largely attended.

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DOCTOR BANGS' PRESCRIPTION.



Old Doctor Bangs put on his specs, Through which he studies human wicks, And pursed his mouth as round as a bung, And snapped to Jones, "Let's see your tongue!"

The doctor said, with slow head-shake, "It looks like a piece of frosted cake. What are you drinking, or what do you eat, To coat like that your 'tasting meat'?" "Tain't nothin' I eat or drink," said Jones, "With a cough that jangled his loose-knit bones;

"I'm just as keener as keener can be - Don't drink no coffee, don't drink no tea. Coffee will kill ye, or make ye blind, So I'm usin' the imitation kind." Old Doctor Bangs gave an angry snort, And Jones by his pipe-stem arm he caught, "No wonder you're sick," he roared, "You fool, If you've slobbered that slimy, browbread droll, The good earth puts the best it can In the coffee berry, to comfort man. If your coffee is honest, and pure, and true, It's the stuff to put good life in you. Now hump for home! - Begin to-day, Buy CHASE & SANBORN'S on the way. You'll come to thank me on your knees! Good-bye! Clear out! Two dollars, please!"

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-Being requested by a number of citizens to accept nomination for Mayor, I feel it my duty to offer my services, and do so the more willingly, believing the people are weary of the insidious influences exercised by corporate companies over city affairs.

That they are prepared for municipal control and gradual ownership of public utilities. For the replacing of the present high rates for light with the minimum for good service.

For a square deal on the water question, believing that the present trumped up suit is a menace to the reputed rights of the city.

For a more efficient and economical service of the department of works. For the safe-guarding of the city's interest in the disposition of the Songhees Reserve.

And for open dealings of the Council. A. J. MORLEY December 2nd, 1905.

For Mayor

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN- Having, in response to numerous requests, consented to accept nomination for Mayor at the approaching election, I hereby respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If you honor me by election I will earnestly endeavor to continue the progressive policy of my previous term of office, and will do all in my power to promote the prosperity and well-being of the City of Victoria.

Chas. Hayward January 2nd, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited in my behalf as Alderman for the above Ward.

Yours respectfully, D. SPRAGGE

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and respectfully ask for a continuance of your support and influence.

W. F. Fullerton

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-At the request of a number of citizens, I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for re-election, and therefore request your vote and influence on my behalf.

Your obedient servant, LEWIS HALL

For Alderman

To the Electors of South Ward: At the request of a large number of the ratepayers of South Ward, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for municipal honors.

If elected, my efforts will be directed towards pressing the many claims of the ratepayers of South Ward, which up to the present have been ignored. Am strongly in favor of a progressive policy, the encouragement of local manufacturers and the establishment of new industries.

As a property owner and business man, I am interested in securing that proper economy is observed in the administration of municipal works and in protecting the ratepayers' interests. Yours sincerely, ANDREW BLYGH

South Ward

For Alderman TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-Your vote and influence are kindly solicited on my behalf at the forthcoming municipal election.

JAMES A. DOUGLAS

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

W. H. SMITH.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election for Alderman.

Wm. Humphrey

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

Wm. Brodrick January 2nd, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD; LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election for Alderman.

F. W. VINCENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRE WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman in Centre Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

L. J. QUAGLIOTTI January 2nd, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

E. H. ANDERSON

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election.

H. E. LEVY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I beg to announce myself as a candidate for election as Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

J. STUART YATES

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-I am a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election; and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

LAWRENCE GOODACRE

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-At the request of a number of the electors, I am a candidate for the office of School Trustee, and I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

A. B. McNEILL

NOTICE The south end of St. Charles street, from Fairfield road to Chandler street, is closed to vehicular traffic from December 25th until further orders.

C. H. TOPP, City Engineer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

Municipal Elections 1906

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Alderman.

The mode of nomination of Candidates shall be as follows: The Candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be open on THURSDAY, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 7.30 p. m., in the manner following:

For the office of MAYOR, in the Court Room of the City Hall, aforesaid: For the office of ALDERMAN for the North Ward, in Room No. 3, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street. For the office of ALDERMAN for Central Ward, in Room No. 7, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street. For the office of ALDERMAN for the South Ward, in Room No. 1, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for six months next preceding the nomination registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance of charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as ALDERMAN of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance of charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal Voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 6th day of January, 1906. W. M. W. NORTHCOTE, Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

Election of School Trustees

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing FOUR (4) persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British Subject of the full age of twenty-one years and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act" to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District is eligible to be elected or to serve as School Trustee.

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Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 6th day of January, 1906. W. M. W. NORTHCOTE, Returning Officer.

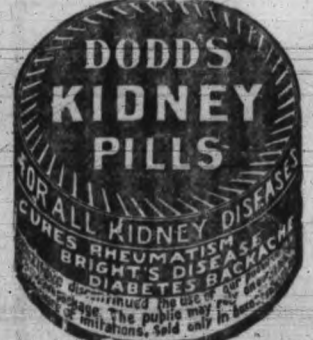
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Forecast. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity Light winds, chiefly northerly, generally fair and cold at night.

Reports. Victoria-Barometer, 30.3; temperature, 40; minimum, 30; wind, 12 miles S. W. rain, 0; weather, clear.

New Westminster-Barometer, 29.4; temperature, 40; minimum, 30; wind, 10 miles S. W.; rain, 0; weather, fair.

Kamloops-Barometer, 29.7; temperature, 36; minimum, 32; wind, 8 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Barkerville-Barometer, 29.5; temperature, 36; minimum, 21; wind, 4 miles S.; snow, 3; weather, snow.

San Francisco-Barometer, 30.1; temperature, 48; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

PASSENGERS. Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle-E. McKay, Baron E. Magri, Harry Farlow, T. D. D. Lloyd, M. Webster, May V. Moore, Mrs. E. Ulin, Tom Hill, Irene Ulin, Elaine Hollich, R. Lennie, L. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, J. Welcher, Miss M. Welcher, P. H. Morley, Wm. Bell, Leslie Carroll, Adolph Morrison, Countess Magri, Count P. Magri, Jag Anderson, G. H. Sparr, J. R. Anderson, T. McKee, W. Johnson, Geo. Williams, C. R. Hamilton, Robert Hall, Mrs. Hall, Joe McCarty, A. G. McNeil, G. O. Fraser, J. Snider, J. H. Mason, Wm. C. Deel, Mrs. G. M. Shaw, Mrs. Clark, R. McNeil, S. Gray, Mrs. J. W. Troup, Capt. Jones, H. H. Zorrock, A. J. Holt, Len. Snel, When Johnny Comes Marching Home Company.

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BEAUTY CULTURE. Free Lecture By Prof. Criston, the Parisian Authority, at Victoria Theatre To-morrow.

The first of the two beauty culture and facial blemish lectures is scheduled to take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock sharp at the Victoria theatre. Professor Criston, of Paris, France, and his charming assistant, Madame L. M. Marx, may be greeted by a large audience.

Madame L. M. Marx, who is stated to be president of the beauty college of Paris, and the author of Feminine Charms, promises to give much valuable information and demonstrations, and many a woman may learn how to improve her looks, defy father time and recreate, as it were, new charms.

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CHEERFUL SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

CITY FATHERS WERE GAY AND HUMOROUS

Pleasant Anticipation of Forthcoming Election - Deal With Legislative Committee's Report.

All the aldermen were in their places last evening when Acting Mayor Goodacre took the chair with the exception of Ald. J. A. Douglas, and it is understood he was detained for unavoidable reasons. Although there appears to be comparatively little business of importance to consider, now that the present term of civic office holders is drawing to a close, it was almost 9 o'clock when the city fathers fled into the council chamber in a rather aimless fashion. They were all, however, in exceptionally good humor, and some even forgot their dignity to the extent of exchanging jokes with humble members of the fourth estate.

They say coming events cast their shadows before, remarked Ald. Fell. "Look at A. Fullerton, has already moved up a notch. When the council turned upon the mild-tempered representative of North Ward, he became embarrassed, flushed and, to change the conversation asked 'by what system are the seats distributed?' Ald. 'Oddy, the retiring representative of South Ward, who seemed to have pleasant anticipations of his well-merited laurels, from this time, resorted suavely, 'the wise men sit in the east and the others in the west.' When it is remembered that Ald. Fullerton occupies a chair upon the latter part of the crescent-shaped ring in which the aldermen are in the habit of thronging, our weighty municipal questions the inference is plain. A general laugh, in which the taciturn Ald. Hanna did not condescend to participate, a further exchange of light repartee and the aldermen were ready for work.

Hon. Justice Walker wrote regarding the line of his fence on Blanchard street. He announced that investigation showed that there had been at least two inches encroachment. The city, he contended, was liable for damages. He believed that if the matter was left to the city engineer an agreement could be reached.

A communication from C. A. Haynes was received objecting to the poor sewerage system of Leighton road. He desired to city engineer, for report. W. H. Snider wanted a sidewalk laid on a portion of North Chatham street. He held that the present one was dangerous. On motion of Ald. Fullerton the matter was placed in the hands of the city engineer with power to act.

A report from the city solicitor gave the details of an action taken by the city against certain barristers and solicitors for the business necessary to enable them to practice within the boundaries of Victoria. This case, it will be remembered, went against the corporation. Upon the suggestion of Ald. Fullerton it was agreed to discontinue with the result of an extended account of the proceedings, and to authorize the city solicitor to arrange for an appeal.

A lengthy communication was received from the same official with regard to the Rock Bay foreshore. Received and filed. A report was received from the finance committee recommending the payment of accounts amounting to \$2,350.25. Another account amounting to \$223.04 for expenditures in connection with the electric lighting system was submitted. Both were adopted unanimously.

Routine business having been disposed of, Ald. Fullerton suggested that the legislative committee's reports, which have already appeared in these columns, be recalled and considered separately. This carried. Ald. Fullerton spoke in reference to the proposed amendment to the referendum clause. He wanted to know whether the proposal dealt with matters of finance or only public questions upon which it was the desire of any person or number of persons to feel the pulse of the public. By this, he pointed out, a one-twentieth majority was made sufficiently weighty to carry its views. Although agreeing with the proposal he did not think it should be permitted to interfere with the present referendum.

Ald. Fell held that the two would work together smoothly. Upon motion the amendment passed. Speaking to an amendment with regard to the date of the nomination day Ald. Hall expressed the opinion that this event should be held some time in December if such a thing were possible. He thought it would be much better for the new council to take charge at the opening of the new year. According to the present method he explained that one month was lost, something he believed very inadvisable. "How would you get out the annual report?" asked Ald. Fell. "It is," remarks the latter contended that the report stood in the way of the adoption of such a scheme. It would be impossible for the council to go before the public for re-election without a financial statement. Therefore, the only way Ald. Hall's proposal could be carried out would be by altering the civic financial year.

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STRANGE CASE

Remarkable Letter Written by a Physician Who Attempted Suicide. New York, Jan. 8.—Dr. E. W. Steger, said to be a graduate of Vanderbilt and Columbia universities and of a family prominent in Nashville, Tenn., attempted to commit suicide in the Auditorium hotel at Broadway and Thirty-ninth street some time Sunday night by taking a mixture of chloroform and morphine. The next morning he recovered, but today, where physicians say he cannot recover.

Dr. Steger took the poison after leaving this note, addressed "To Whom It May Concern": "Sunday, Jan. 7, 1906 (7 p. m.) My name is Robert W. Steger and I am 48 years old, occupation, physician, place of birth, Alabama; cause of death, suicide by means of morphine and chloroform. I give my body to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of this city for dissection. I am a graduate of that school, class of 1887. I have not been mentally sound for several years, having suffered from frequent attacks of suicidal mania. These would sometimes take the form of homicidal mania and again a combination of both. The attacks usually lasted two or three days, during which time it was impossible for me to sleep. The present attack has lasted three weeks. A continuous would be more than death, as I feel justified in taking my life. This condition has caused me to do things for which I have been severely censured. I trust my friends may now know that my mistakes have been of the head and not of the heart. Signed Robert W. Steger."

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**REPRESENTATION IN THE CABINET**

Whatever divisions of opinion there may be respecting the claims of individuals for preferment, there is no doubt that the voice of the West—the true West—is unanimous in its expression that the time has come for British Columbia to assert in a positive and dignified manner her right to representation, in the fullest sense of the term, in the government of Canada. It is, furthermore, pleasing to note that no question of party affiliations, no mere matter of the possible effect upon the political issues which may arise in the future of the selection of the representative who shall sit in the councils of the state, is deterring the press of the province from expressing its opinions as to the obvious duty of the Prime Minister now that the way has been cleared, through the untimely death of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, to grant to British Columbia that measure of justice to which she has long been entitled, but which circumstances have rendered inexpedient up to the present time.

We can understand, and up to a certain point sympathize with, the attitude of two of the newspapers of Vancouver with respect to the giving of the vacant portfolio, or any portfolio, to Senator Templeman. Our neighbors in the Terminal City have fallen into the habit, owing to the zeal for the advancement of the interests of their city which is characteristic of all the inhabitants of that enterprising and progressive community, of looking at all questions, whether commercial or political, from a purely local—we might say narrow—standpoint. That is perfectly natural and, under ordinary circumstances, a perfectly commendable trait. But, as the World and the Province well know, Senator Templeman has claims upon the government, and upon the goodwill of the Liberals of British Columbia as well, which at this juncture in political affairs cannot be overlooked or set aside to promote the ambitions of the people of Vancouver or of individuals representing the people of Vancouver. He was an advocate of the cause of Liberalism in this province almost before the city of Vancouver had corporate or commercial existence. He was called upon to take a seat in the cabinet without a portfolio some years ago. A seat in the cabinet without a portfolio carries with it an understanding that when a convenient time arises the full status of a cabinet position shall be conferred. The time for the recognition of the claims of the Senator has at last arrived, and it is satisfactory to observe that public opinion as expressed in the press of this province, and not only of this province, but of the country generally, regardless of party affiliations, outside of the two journals in Vancouver to which we have referred, is unanimous in support of such claims.

It is not at all probable, therefore, that the suggestions of the World or the Province will have any effect upon the mind of Premier Laurier when the time comes for him to make the choice of a colleague in the ministry. But, as we have said, now would appear to be the opportunity for the people of British Columbia to unite in a demand for the full recognition of rights which are not denied other sections of the country. Our importance as the largest province in the confederation, as

one of the chief sources of the wealth of the Dominion, as the region which must be most directly affected by the development of the trade of the greatest of the oceans, demands this recognition. If there are any doubts in the mind of the Premier as to his duty in the premises, the voice of British Columbia should be unanimous in asserting its rights and in assisting Sir Wilfrid Laurier to arrive at a decision.

**SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.**

It may have been necessary for the Victoria Board of School Trustees, in the interests of the schools and of discipline, to transfer Miss Speers from South Ward to one of the other schools of the city; but it was not necessary to humiliate the teacher and practically to compel her to choose between surrendering her position or her self-respect. This aspect of the ultimatum may not have occurred to the members of the board when they concurred in the suggestion of the party responsible for the re-arrangement of the teaching staff. But we doubt not it was quite apparent to some persons of possibly more subtle understanding. The consequence is that the schools of Victoria have lost the services of one who, if it will scarcely be denied, was a most efficient teacher—one of the best in the service of the city, we have been told by an authority who has no sympathy whatever with the alleged aspirations of the "Cameronians." There is no doubt whatever that the majority of the Board of School Trustees are actuated by a commendable zeal for the promotion of efficiency as well as for the maintenance of necessary discipline in the schools; but is it not possible that there are influences at work of which they would not fully approve if their judgment were not warped by sinister suggestions?

When the commission was appointed to investigate the conditions under which the drawing examinations were conducted in the South Park school it was announced that the Victoria Board of School Trustees had no interest in the matter; that it was a question entirely between the department and the late South Park principal and her assistants. Yet we find a legal representative of the school board taking a prominent part in the proceedings, and more earnest, in his efforts to break down the testimony of teachers and scholars than the legal agent of the department, as he was in duty bound to be, having accepted a retainer. The proceedings have been prolonged to what appears to be a ridiculously unnecessary extent. They will be costly alike to the province and to the city, all because of a "tempest in a teapot."


These occurrences should arouse the people of Victoria to the necessity of taking a greater interest in scholastic affairs. Our educational institutions are costly, and important in full proportion to their cost. These facts do not seem to be realised by the public, whose ambitions are largely centred either on their private affairs or on obtaining seats upon the aldermanic board, to the neglect of interests of just as great moment in these days when the character of a city and its attractions to the growing class who are in search of a desirable place of residence are to a great extent determined by the efficiency of its schools.

The gradual disappearance of British seamen from the British mercantile marine service has been the subject of uneasy comment in the British press for some time past. Some positive facts in relation to it are furnished in a quinquennial return prepared from the lists in charge of the registrar-general of shipping and seamen. This census given the number and nationality, with other details, of the seamen employed at a certain date. It has been taken three times—on April 5th, 1891, March 25th, 1896, and March 31st, 1901; it therefore covers ten years. Trading and fishing vessels are distinguished, but yachts are not included, though they are a factor, as they draw off a considerable number of men from the merchant service. The number of foreigners in British fishing vessels is comparatively small (628 out of 18,592 in 1901), and may be left out of account, for, though they have increased rapidly in the ten years (from 258 to 628) British fishermen have also increased. In the trading vessels the total number of men employed at the census dates has also increased from 172,773 in 1891 to 186,636 in 1901. Here is an increase of 14,000, but the classification shows that the whole of it, and more, is furnished by foreigners and lascars. In fact, the number of British seafarers is less by 7,000. It is noteworthy, however, that there is no increase, but actually a decrease, of foreigners among the masters, mates, and engineers of British ships. The proportion of foreign petty officers, firemen, and sailors is large and apparently rapidly increasing.

Now the people of England and Scotland have plunged into the discussion of political affairs with all the warmth which only party warfare can generate. The people of Ireland have but little to discuss. They are practically unanimous. And yet the Celts are said to be an excitable race. The whole thing is "unnatural," and we are sure no good can come of it. Still let us not forget that the Celts can create very strenuous shindies when they meet the Saxons face to face in warty warfare in the House of Commons.

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"Hard at work is he  
In his overalls so long,  
With his barrow, trim and strong,  
Happy as can be."  
All the leaves and rubbish  
He'll gather in a heap  
With the barrow end the rake  
What a bohrre he will make  
"Ree he goes to sleep."  
All the children love to rake  
And tidy up the land,  
Give them real work to do,  
Then they'll feel they're helping you,  
Let them lend a hand.

**RIDDLES.**  
Why are your nose and chin always at variance?—Because words are constantly passing between them.  
"What did the spider do when he left the ark?"—He took a fly and went home.  
"What grows less tired the more it is worked?"—A carriage wheel.  
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**Sale News for Wednesday**

We have gleaned from our stock several items to make Wednesday the star day of the week.

<p><b>Women's Raincoats</b></p> <p>All \$17.50, \$20.00 and \$25.00 ones. On Sale Wednesday at \$10.00 each. 30 only. Colors: Fawns, Greys, and Green. All the Newest Styles This Season.</p>	<p><b>Embroideries</b></p> <p>AT JANUARY SALE PRICES: 10c. values for 5c. yard. 15c. and 20c. values for 10c. yard. 25c. values for 15c. yard. 35c. and 50c. values for 25c. yard.</p>	<p><b>Taffeta Silk Belts</b></p> <p>At 75c. and \$1.00. January Sale Price, 50c. Colors: Black, Navy and Brown.</p>
<p><b>Shoe Department</b></p> <p>BARGAINS EVERY DAY THIS MONTH.</p> <p>Heavy Box Calf Shoes for Women, medium weight; Calf Shoes for Women heavy weight; Vici Shoes for Women, with light and medium weight soles. All in the January sale at \$2.50 pair.</p>	<p><b>Taffeta Ribbons and Satin Duchesse Ribbons</b></p> <p>4 to 5 inches in width; big range of colors, values 20c., 50c. and 60c. yard. January Sale Price, 25c. yard.</p>	<p><b>Colored Farmers' Satin</b></p> <p>Regular 75c. Wednesday, 50c. Colors: Lemon, Red Rose, Strawberry. Skirt Material. Colors: Black, Navy and Brown. Wednesday, 25c. yard.</p>
<p><b>Men's Shoes</b></p> <p>Vici Kid Shoes at \$5.00, single sole. January Sale Price, \$2.50. Box Calf Shoes, velour calf, with heavy soles. All in the January sale at \$2.50 pair. Scotty Waterproof Shoes at \$6.00 and \$6.50. January Sale Price, \$3.99.</p>	<p><b>White and Cream Chiffon</b></p> <p>3 and 4 inches wide. January Sale Price, 2c. yard.</p>	<p><b>Fancy Tweeds</b></p> <p>42 and 44 inches wide; regular 75c. Wednesday, 50c. 25 Dress Lengths. Wednesday, \$2.85.</p>
<p><b>Women's Underwear at January Sale Prices</b></p> <p>Women's Silk and Wool Drawers (white only); regular \$4.00. January Sale Price, \$1.99. Women's White Wool Vests, long and short sleeves (unshrinkable); regular \$3.00 and \$3.50. January Sale Price, \$1.50. (All Sizes.) Women's Light Weight Indian Cashmere Vests and Drawers (unshrinkable), all sizes; regular \$3.00 and \$3.50. January Sale Price, \$1.50. Women's Pink Silk and Wood Ribbed Drawers; regular \$3.00. January Sale Price, \$1.50. Women's Black Silk and Wool Ribbed Combinations; regular \$2.50. January Sale Price, \$1.50. Women's White Wool Combinations, ankle length; regular \$5.00. January Sale Price, \$2.75. Women's Indian Wool Combinations; regular \$4.50 and \$5.00. January Sale Price, \$2.75.</p>	<p><b>Hand Bags</b></p> <p>At \$3.00, \$2.50 and \$5.00. January Sale Price, \$1.75. Colors: Fawn, Green, Navy and Black. All fitted with purse.</p>	<p><b>40 Silk Waists</b></p> <p>Sizes 32 to 40; Jap Silks, Louisiana Silks, profusely trimmed with lace, etc.; values \$5.00 to \$10.00. Wednesday, \$2.50 each.</p>
<p><b>Books at 15c</b></p> <p>ON SALE CENTRE AISLE (BROAD STREET.)</p> <p>Books by Bertram Mitford, Richard Marsh, Causon Hernalahan, Arthur Morrison, Headon Hill, E. H. Strain, Wm. le Queux, Henry Herman, McDonnell Bodkin, E. P. Train, Ada Cambridge, Florence Warden, Mrs. E. Kennard, Fergus Hume, Carlton Dawe, L. T. Meade and others.</p>	<p><b>Black Sateen Underskirts</b></p> <p>\$2.50 values for \$1.50. Deep Flounce Skirts, with double accordian pleated flounces; sizes 38, 40 and 42.</p>	<p><b>Men's Soft Felt Hats</b></p> <p>Values, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Wednesday, 90c. 49 hats in the lot. Colors black, brown and pearl.</p>
<p><b>Women's Flannelette Nightdresses</b></p> <p>\$2.00 and \$2.25 values for \$1.50; Silk Embroidered Frills.</p>	<p><b>Important Sale of Linens at 25c and 50c.</b></p> <p>SEE WINDOW.</p> <p>Remnant and Square of various kinds; many worth double what we are asking on Wednesday. 40 only Elderdown Quits. Wednesday, \$3.99. 18 Cotton Quits, Wednesday, \$1.25. 24 Cotton Quits, Wednesday, \$1.50. 12 Cotton Quits, Wednesday, \$2.00.</p>	<p><b>Men's Suspenders</b></p> <p>24 dozen go on sale Wednesday, 25c. Values Wednesday, 10c, 30c, and 65c. values, Wednesday, 25c.</p>
<p><b>Women's Flannelette Drawers</b></p> <p>75c. values for 50c.; medium and large sizes.</p>	<p><b>Boys' Underwear</b></p> <p><b>PURE SCOTCH WOOL</b></p> <p>Sizes 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32. Regular price, 25c., 30c., 35c., 40c., 45c., 50c., 65c. Sale price, 10c., 15c., 20c., 25c., 30c., 35c., 40c.</p>	<p><b>Men's Underwear</b></p> <p>Fine brown elastic ribbed underwear. Regular, 75c. Wednesday, 45c. Men's heavy natural wool underwear. Value, \$1.00. Wednesday, 75c. Men's heavy ribbed wool underwear. Value, 85c. Wednesday, 65c. English sample underwear, fine cashmere, 3/4 and short sleeves. Values, \$1.50 to \$2.50. Wednesday, 75c. 50c. underwear. Wednesday, 25c. Plain wool, heavy and fancy stripe.</p>

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The installation of officers in Columbia Lodge, I. O. O. F., will take place to-morrow at the hall on Douglas street.

The B. C. Pioneer Society will hold its postponed meeting to-morrow evening in the hall on Broad street.

This afternoon a provincial police court case is in progress before Magistrate Hall.

Maholla Holgate was on Friday last granted a divorce in the State Circuit court of Portland from Jay Legrand D. Holgate.

In connection with the engagement for Friday evening of the Ade comedy, 'The College Widow,' the management of the Victoria theatre desires to specially assure patrons of the house who are admirers of the highest order of modern comedy writing.

The midlets—Mrs. Tom Thunb, Count Magri and Baron Magri—scored a hit as big as they themselves are small, with the first nighters at the Grand Monday evening.

At the regular meeting of Majestic Council No. 1312, Royal Arcanum, the following officers were elected.

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Irving Deers, the well-known actor, is in the city organizing a company of local talent to produce a high-class comedy here some time next month.

Mrs. Henry Wain, of North Saanich, died last evening at the Royal Jubilee hospital.

A lecture was advertised for last evening at Victoria hall by Rabbi Hirsch Werner, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Court Vancouver, No. 5755, A. O. F., met last evening when the installation of officers took place.

The first meeting of the corporation of land surveyors of British Columbia under the new act, which was passed at the last session of the provincial legislature, is being held to-day at the office of the surveyor-general.

ROSSLAND CAMP. Payroll Last Year Amounted to More Than \$863,000.

The Rossland camp continues to demonstrate beyond a peradventure that it has the largest payroll of any city of the same population in the Dominion.

Midway is the oldest town in the Boundary, but for several years after the completion of the C. P. R. Columbia & Western branch to that town, the place was quiet.

Among other Boundary towns of some importance may be mentioned Ehoit, the C. P. R. headquarters for this district.

The main building of the State Normal College at Albany, N. Y., was burned to the ground and the residence of the president of the college, Dr. Wm. J. Miller, was badly damaged.

All up-to-date conveniences for the traveling public are found on the Northern Pacific.

What Other People Think. THE ISSUE. To the Editor:—In answering a correspondent, the Colonist says there are no issues in the present municipal campaign.

Associated are the five candidates in North Ward, and the efforts now being directed at South and Centre will bring the lines up pretty sharp and distinct by election day.

Let this point be once reached and the issues will be made by the community as at present, extend the principle and the spirit enters into Provincial and Dominion affairs, never to rest until carried into national life.

PHIL. R. SAITH. ENCOURAGEMENT TO INDUSTRIES. To the Editor:—That the establishment of industries is a part of the commercial life of a city is of vital importance.

Let the citizens do him the honor by electing him Mayor of this city for what he is, a man who will, from first to last, consider and work for the interests of all alike.

W. Hill, of Vancouver; A. Williams and C. C. Jones, of Nanaimo, are in the city. They are among the guests at the Victoria hotel.

Miss Helen Hickey, who has been visiting friends in Seattle, has returned and will resume her studies at St. Ann's academy.

D. L. McLaugh, manager of the Deloraine Times, of Deloraine, Manitoba, is visiting the city.

Mrs. J. A. Snyder and daughter leave to-morrow evening on a trip to California.

Steamer 'Princess Beatrice,' sailing from here daily at 9 p. m. connects at Seattle with Northern Pacific trains for all points East and South.

I hold that in the settlement of the Indian reserve question, which cannot now much longer be delayed, an opportunity is afforded to place this city in a position to say to a capitalist who wishes to start an iron industry, a shipbuilding industry, a flour mill, a huge tannery, or any other industry which this country is capable of furnishing the raw material for, or obtaining from the East or West.

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To be thrown on the market at your mercy and sold for less than cost to manufacturer.

RAILROAD FARE PAID TO ALL PURCHASERS OF \$25.00 OR OVER—DISTANCE OF 50 MILES.

There are sales of all kinds going on, but this is to be the sensation of the day. This will be the greatest slaughter sale of clothing and furnishings ever held in this vicinity. A golden opportunity like this presents itself but once in a lifetime, and no person of good intelligence can possibly afford to let this chance go by to clothe themselves at prices less than the cost to manufacturer. When we open this sale Wednesday morning, the people of this city and vicinity will be treated to a grand bargain feast every hour of the day.

**LET NOTHING KEEP YOU AWAY FROM THIS SALE.**

NOTE.—B. WILLIAMS & CO., BEING OVERSTOCKED AND WISHING TO REDUCE THEIR MAMMOTH STOCK BEFORE STOCK TAKING, HAVE PLACED THEIR STORE IN CHARGE OF MR. W. A. HOFFMAN, OF CHICAGO, ILL., AN EXPERT SALE DIRECTOR, AND KNOWN FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN AS THE WORLD'S GREATEST BARGAIN GIVER, WHO WILL CONDUCT THIS SALE PERSONALLY FOR TEN DAYS ONLY.

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Below we give you an idea how we will almost give goods away during the sale. READ THESE PRICES AND THINK

<p><b>Men's Clothing</b></p> <p>Men's Suits worth \$10.00, now \$3.95.</p> <p>Men's Fine Suits worth \$12.00 to \$13.00, now \$6.45.</p> <p>Men's Fine Tailored Suits worth up to \$22.00, now \$9.95.</p> <p>Men's Good Work Pants worth \$3.00, \$1.45.</p> <p>Men's Good Fine Dress Pants worth up to \$4.50, \$1.95.</p>	<p>Men's Fine Tailored Pants worth \$5.00 and \$6.00, \$2.35.</p> <p>Men's Good Overcoats, worth from \$12.00, now \$5.95.</p> <p>Men's Fine Top Coats worth \$16.00, now \$7.25.</p> <p>Men's Fine Tailored Overcoats worth \$20.00, now \$9.55.</p> <p>Men's Heavy Wool Sox, pair, 10c.</p> <p>Men's Good Work Shirts, 65c.</p> <p>Men's Heavy Tweed Shirts, 95c.</p> <p>Men's All-Wool Sweaters, 55c.</p> <p>Men's Fleece-Underwear, worth \$1.00, now 45c.</p>	<p>Men's Flannel Work Shirt, 55c.</p> <p>Men's Brown Derby Rib Underwear worth \$1.25, now 65c.</p> <p>Men's All-Wool Underwear worth \$1.25, now 55c.</p> <p>Men's Fine Regatta and Dress Shirts, 55c.</p> <p><b>Boys Clothing</b></p> <p>Boys' Broken Suits worth \$5.50, now \$1.00.</p> <p>Boys' 2-Piece Suits worth \$5.00, now, \$2.55.</p>	<p>Boys' 3-Piece Suits worth \$7.75, now \$2.90.</p> <p>Boys' 3-Piece Suits worth \$8.75, now \$4.95.</p> <p>Boys' English Norfolk Suits worth \$6.75, now \$3.65.</p> <p>Boys' Knickers worth \$1.00 per pair, now 35c.</p> <p>Boys' Raincoats and Overcoats worth \$7.50, now \$2.65.</p> <p>Boys' All-Wool Heavy Sweaters, 65c.</p> <p>Boys' English Jerseys, 75c.</p>	<p><b>Furnishing Goods</b></p> <p>Men's Collars, all styles and sizes, only 5c.</p> <p>Men's Suspenders worth 50c., only 15c.</p> <p>Men's Fine Umbrellas, all below cost.</p> <p>Men's White Lawn Handkerchiefs, 5c.</p> <p>All Odd Garments in Underwear at half price.</p> <p>Fine Silk Neckties, each 15c.</p>	<p>Good Working Gloves worth 75c., now 40c.</p> <p>And a thousand other lines to be sold at less than cost.</p> <p><b>Hat Department</b></p> <p>Boys' Golf and Motor Caps worth 50c. each, now 15c.</p> <p>Men's Fine Fedora Hats worth \$3.00, now 50c.</p> <p>Men's Fine Soft Hats worth \$4.00, now \$1.95.</p> <p>All the latest styles in Stiff Hats at less than cost price.</p>
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Included in this sale are 760 pairs of Boys' Knee Pants, worth from 75c to \$1.25 per pair at 35c, 45c and 55c. Also 90 pairs Boys' Scotch Tweed Knickerbockers, sizes from 29 to 38, worth from \$2.50 to \$3.50 pair, at \$1.30. SPECIAL:—190 Boys' and Youths' English Norfolk Suits, with Knickerbockers, sizes 28 to 35 (extra Knickers to match) at less than half price. 90 Men's Norfolk Suits at Less than Half Price.

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CHRISTMAS SEASON AMONG THE ORPHANS

Reports Presented Yesterday at the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Women's Association.

The lady managers of the Protestant Orphans' Home held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at the city hall.

The Christmas tree on the evening of the 28th proved a delight to the children. The tree was decorated by Misses Wilson, Morley, Helmcken and McTavish.

By invitation Mrs. Kay took several of the children to the reformed Episcopal Sunday school entertainment and Christmas tree, where they had a most enjoyable time.

The report further stated that the children of the reformed Episcopal Sunday school entertainment and Christmas tree, where they had a most enjoyable time.

It is with deepest regret we mention the death of Mrs. Cridge, who for many years was president of this committee.

From latest inquiries we are delighted to state that Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hutchings, two valued members of our committee, and who had been seriously ill, are both now on the road to rapid recovery.

The report was received and adopted. The visiting committee for the month of January was appointed as Mrs. C. F. Todd and Mrs. Wm. Munis.

The following donations were acknowledged with thanks by the matron: The Women's Scandinavian Christian Mission Circle, per Mrs. B. Gonnason, cash \$5, 6 shirts, 5 dresses, 2 vests, 2 night dresses, 10 pairs drawers, 3 pairs pants, 4 blouses, 2 pairs stockings, Mrs. J. H. Todd, cash \$5.

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Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway

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WOOD AND COAL at Current Rates. Wood cut and required length by electric machinery. Truck and horse work promptly attended to.

FRUIT INSPECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Section VI. of the Regulations of the Provincial Board of Horticulture regarding the inspection of fruit now applies to all apples and other citrus fruits.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL MEETING SATURDAY

Arrangements have been made for an important meeting of the British Columbia League on Saturday evening at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street.

SECRETARY APPOINTED

There was a large attendance at a meeting of the Victoria club held last evening at the offices of P. R. Brown, Broad street.

ATHLETIC MONTHLY MEETING

This evening the monthly meeting of the management committee of the James Bay Athletic Association will take place at the rooms.

A DOUBLE TOURNEY

Arrangements have been made by the committee in charge for the playing of a set for the reception of entries to the J. R. A. A. double tourney to-night.

Good Dry Wood

Burt's Wood & Coal Yard. 51 Pandora St. Telephone 625 or 941.

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S.S. PRINCESS VICTORIA sails from Victoria daily at 1.00 a. m.

Victoria-Seattle Route

S.S. PRINCESS BEATRICE sails daily, except Saturdays, at 9.00 p. m. Sails on Saturdays at 11.00 p. m.

Victoria-New Westminster Route

S.S. CHARMER leaves Victoria every Tuesday and Friday at 7.00 a. m. For rates and reservations, apply to GEO. L. COURTNEY.

Oceanic S. S. Co.

S. S. ALAMEDA, for Honolulu, Jan. 10th, 11 a. m. S. S. MARIPOSA, for Tahiti, Feb. 3.

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Alma, American, Anchor, Atlantic Trans Pacific, Canadian Pacific, Cunard, Hamburg, Hamburg-American, North German Lloyd, Red Star, White Star.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS. Any individual desiring to acquire land in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting a and b, not reserved for the Government, may acquire the same over 160 acres of land, or the extent of 160 acres, or less.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada to incorporate a company to be known as "The Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraph Company."

To enter into any arrangements with any person, board or company, possessing any telegraph, telephone, or other apparatus, upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the board or directors from time to time, direct or indirect.

To acquire and dispose of any rights in letters patent or other patents for the purposes of the Company's undertaking.

Notice is hereby given that applications will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for Private Bills to incorporate a company to build, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway.

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The Crimson Blind

By FRED M. WHITE

CHAPTER II.—(Continued.)

"A hint to me," David muttered. "Stupid that I should have forgotten the directions to read the number over the fanlight. Also it is logical to suppose that I am going to find lights at No. 215. All right, my friend; no need to swear at me with that bell of yours."

He quickened his pace again and finally stopped before one of the big houses where lights were gleaming from the hall and dining-room windows. They were electric lights by their great power, and save for the hall and dining-room, the rest of the house lay in utter darkness. The cycle bell let off an approving staccato from behind the blanket for as Steel pulled up.

There was nothing abnormal about the house, nothing that struck the adventurer's eye beyond the extraordinary view of the crimson blind. The two side windows, the rest of the house lay in utter darkness. The cycle bell let off an approving staccato from behind the blanket for as Steel pulled up.

"What a splendid impression!" Steel murmured. "I shall remember it for the rest of my life. It was only one note in the symphony of adventure now. With a firm step he walked up the marble flight and turned the handle. It felt dirty and rusty to the touch. Evidently the servants were negligent, or they were employed by people who had small regard for outward appearances."

The door opened noiselessly, and Steel closed it behind him. The porch lantern cast a brilliant flood of light upon a crimson carpet, a chair and an empty oak umbrella stand. Beyond this there was no atom of furniture in the hall. It was impossible to see beyond the dining-room door, for a heavy red curtain was drawn across. David's first impression was the amazing stiffness of the place. It gave him a queer feeling that a murder had been committed there, and that everybody had fled, leaving the corpse behind. As David coughed away the lump in his throat the cough sounded strangely hollow.

He passed into the dining-room and looked eagerly about him. The room was handsomely furnished, in a conventional big mahogany table in the centre, rows of mahogany chairs upholstered in morocco, fine modern prints, most of them artist's proofs, on the walls. A big mahogany clock, flanked by a pair of vases, stood on the mantelpiece. There were two large numbers of blue vases on the sideboard. The red damask had faded to a pale pink in places.

"Tottenham Court Road," Steel smiled to himself. "Modern, solid, expensive, but decidedly inartistic. Ginger jars fourteen guineas a pair, worth about as many pence. Moneyed people, respectable, of the middle class. What brings them playing at mystery like this?"

The room was most brilliantly lighted—both from overhead and from the walls. On the shining desert of the dining-room lay a small, flat parcel addressed to David Steel, Esq. The receipt tore off the cover and disclosed a heap of crackling white papers beneath. Rapidly the fingers of the crimson blind over-seventy-five Bank of England notes for £10 each.

It was the balance of the loan, the price paid for Steel's presence. All he had to do now was to place the money in his pocket and walk out of the house. A few steps and he would be free with nobody to say him nay. It was a trifle, but Steel fought it down. He slipped the notes into his pocket and buttoned his coat tightly over them. He had no fear for the coming day now.

"And yet," he murmured, "what of the price I shall have to pay for this?" Well it was worth a ransom. And so long as there was nothing dishonorable attached to it, Steel was prepared to redeem his pledge. He knew perfectly well from bitter experience that the poor man pays exorbitant rates for fortune's favors. And he was not without a strange sense of gratitude. It "click, click, click. Three electric switches, a snapped-off almost spontaneously outside, and the dining-room was plunged into pitchy darkness. Steel hastily caught up his coat. He was no coward, but he was a novelist with a novelist's imagination. As he stood there the sweetest, most musical laugh in the world broke on his ear. He caught the swing of the door and the faintly scented air that suggested the fragrance of a woman's hair. It was vague, undefined, yet soothing.

"Pray be seated," Mr. Steel, the silver voice said. "Believe me, had there been any other way, I would not have given you all this trouble. You found the parcel addressed to you; it is an earnest of good faith. It is not that a correct English expression."

David murmured that it was. But what did the speaker mean? She asked the question like a student of the English language, yet her accent and phrasing were perfect. She laughed again noticeably, and once more Steel caught the subtle, entrancing perfume.

"I make no further apology for dragging you here at this time," the sweet voice said. "We knew that you were in the habit of sitting up alone late at night, hence the telephone message. You will perhaps wonder how we came to know so much of your private affairs. Rest assured that we learnt nothing in Brighton. Presently you may gather why I am so deeply interested in you; I have been for the past fortnight."

"You see, we were not quite certain that you would come to our assistance unless you could find some means of coping with them. Then we go to one of the smartest inquiry agents in the world and say: 'Tell us all about Mr. David Steel without delay. Money is no object.' In less than a week we have all the back-story. We leave matters 125-42 last moment. If you

only know how revolting it all was!" "So your tone seems to imply, madam," Steel said, drily. "Oh, but truly, you were in great trouble, and we found a way to get you out. At a price, ah, yes, but your trouble is nothing compared with mine—which brings me to business. A fortnight ago last Monday you posted to Mr. Vanstone, editor of the Piccadilly Magazine, the synopsis of the first four or five chapters of a proposed serial for the journal in question. You open that story with a young and beautiful woman who is in deadly peril. Is not that so?"

"Yes," Steel said faintly. "It is just as you suggest. But how?" "Never mind that, because I am not going to tell you. In common parlance—is not that the word?—that woman is in a frightful fix. There is nothing strained about your heroine's situation, because you have a host of people being in a similar plight before. Mr. Steel, I want you to tell me fruitfully and candidly, can you see the way clear to save your heroine? Oh, I don't mean by the long arm of coincidence, or other favorite ruses known to your craft. I mean by common sense, logical methods, by brilliant ruses, by Machiavellian means. Tell me, do you see a way?"

The question came eagerly, almost impudently, from the darkness. David could hear the quick gasps of his questioner, could catch the rustle of the silken corsage as she breathed. "Yes," he said. "I can see a brilliant way out that would satisfy the strictest logician. But you—"

"Thank heaven! Mr. Steel, I am your heroine. I am placed in exactly the same position as the woman whose story you are going to write. The setting is different. The local coloring is not the same, but the same deadly peril menaces me. For the love of heaven hold out your hand to save a lonely and desperate woman whose only crime is that she is rich and beautiful. Providence had placed in my hands the gist of your heroine's story. Hence this masquerade, hence the fact that you are here to-night. I have helped you—help me in return."

It was some time before Steel spoke. "It shall be as you wish," he said. "I will tell you how I propose to save my heroine. Her sufferings are fiction; yours will be real. But if you are to be saved by the same means, heaven help you to keep by a froth that are in front of you. Before God, it would be more merciful for me to be silent and let you go your own way."

(To be continued.)

ELEGANT CABINET PHOTOS OF HIS EXCELLENCY The Right Honourable Sir Albert Henry George, Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada.

For all users of the Celebrated "Diamond Dyes."

We have received so many letters from ladies in Canada asking us to continue the supplying of the beautiful Cabinet Photos which we have been sending out for the last two months, that we have decided to continue the supply until the end of February, 1906. Please note the conditions for securing the Photo.

One photo will be sent free of cost to each lady who sends her full post-office address and four of the inner envelopes which contained DIAMOND DYE of any color.

Envelopes of other makes of package dyes will not be accepted. This offer will be valid until the end of February, 1906. Send in your address at once with the four empty envelopes, so that you may get this photo without delay.

WELLS & RICHARDSON CO., LTD., 200 Mountain Street, Montreal, Que.

Jap-a-Lac Is the new finish for floors or furniture.

Anyone can apply it. For sale at Mellor Bros., Limited

PHONE 312. 70 FORT ST.

Ladies' Tailoring Parlors ROOM 2, MOODY BLOCK. SPINKLING & CO. MEN'S TAILORS. Room 2, Moody Block, Up-Steps. 70 1/2 YATES STREET.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, at its next sitting, a transfer from myself to Thomas J. Taylor of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the Commercial Hotel, situate at No. 113 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, at its next sitting, for a license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the Commercial Hotel, situate at No. 113 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C.

WANTED—SALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—At once, at R. Williams & Co.'s store, Yates street, twenty-five sales people.

WANTED—Female Help. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Capable woman for fortnight. Mrs. Clark, 24 Yates.

GIRL ATTENDING SCHOOL, can have board and small remuneration in exchange for light services. Apply Mrs. Knott, 28 Caledonia avenue.

WANTED—Miscellaneous. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags, at Times Office.

WANTED—All kinds of bicycle repair work; all work guaranteed. J. T. Braden, 70 Douglas street. Estimates given on all plumbing and heating work.

WANTED—To Let. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO LET—By week or month, at reduced rates, handsomely furnished rooms in the St. Francis Hotel.

TO LET—Nice cottage, 241 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Miscellaneous. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—Mandarin, M. 9; telescope, \$2.75; corner, \$20; camera, 12 plates, \$4; Colt's revolver, \$5.50; lady's navy serge suit, \$12; lady's silk accessories, given, all vests, \$1.75. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand stock, 54 Johnson street, two doors below Government street.

FOR SALE—Young Jersey cow. Apply J. D. Burns, Foul Bay road, near Oak Bay avenue.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred roosters. Apply "Rosedale," Oak Bay.

WOOD AND COAL—At current prices. Johnson's Transfer & Fuel Co., 115 Douglas street. Tel. 322.

FOR SALE—First-class Jersey cow. Fresh; Massey Light, 24-story new; also all kinds of buggies, carts and wagons, and a few double and single sets of harness. Apply Fisher's Carriage Shop, Store street.

DITCH BULBS—And hydrant glasses. 247 & Co.

ENGINE FOR SALE—30 horse power. Can be seen in operation at the Times Building, 26 Broad street, running Times machinery.

50 TONS of Nansimo potatoes for sale, \$10 per ton, from Sept. 15th to Oct. 15th; freight on steamer included. Apply 502 1/2 King Wing, 54 Fagnard street.

FOR SALE OR RENT—At Vesuvius Bay, Salt Spring Island, a 24-story new dwellinghouse, large cottage, new outbuildings, stone dock for boats, sandstone quarry, etc., together with 200 acres of land; public wharf adjoining. Apply to F. J. Hittancourt, Victoria, or on premises.

FURNITURE, teas, air-tight heaters wanted. Steam engine for sale. At Hittancourt's, Old Church, corner Broad and Pandora streets. Phone 4306.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Mrs. Andrew Thom, after the date, Monday, January 8th, 1906. Andrew Thom.

MONEY TO LOAN on all kinds of approved security. Unredeemed pledges for sale cheap, at 43 Johnson street.

AH WING—Fashionable tailor, ladies' and gents' clothes made to order and perfect fit guaranteed. 100 Government street.

SING TAI—Manufacturer and dealer in ladies' silk and cotton underwear, dresses, wrappers, etc. 74 Douglas street, Victoria.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawal Bros. Co., 50 Douglas St.

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LOST AND FOUND. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LOST—On January 1st, 1906, between North Saanich Hotel and Sidney, black curly spaniel dog, very heavy, white breast white tan, right fore paw, an acorn to name "Nigger." Return to Corp. L. W. Shute, R. E., Victoria, B. C.

LOST—Lineman's white rubber glove on Esquimalt road. Reward at this office.

LOST—On Dec. 30th, on Pandora street, a silver watch, open case, stem winder, with two short chains. Seven dollars reward will be paid for return to R. Meredith, 45 Chambers street.

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NOTICE. The Esquimalt and Nansimo Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada, at its next session for an Act extending the time for commencing and completing an extension of its main line to Comox and the branches referred to in its Act of Incorporation, and also empowering the Company to construct and operate a railway from Comox to a point on the River, or near Duncan's branch from a point at or near Comox via Cumberland southwesterly to Alberni Canal, and giving the Company general powers to construct branch lines and for other purposes.

Dated at Victoria this 14th day of December, 1905. W. F. SALSBURY, Secretary & N. Railway.

DEAVILLE, SONS & CO., Family Grocers, Hillside avenue and First street, supply reliable goods at lowest cash prices. Try us.

CANADIAN CASUALTY AND BOILER INSURANCE CO. insures against all accidents and disasters. No restrictions. G. S. Baxter, Dist. Agent, 32 Ward St.

PROVISION MERCHANTS. DEAVILLE, SONS & CO., Family Grocers, Hillside avenue and First street, supply reliable goods at lowest cash prices. Try us.

ART STUDIO. MISS MILLS, Art Mistress, R. C. A. Lodge. Lessons in drawing, painting and design. Studio, 5 Canadian Bank of Commerce, Government street.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATERALL—18 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

BLACKSMITHING, ETC. ALL KINDS OF BLACKSMITHING and wagon work done. Farming implements and machinery repaired. Wm. Dockings, 26 Government. Phone 220.

BOOT AND SHOE REPAIRING. NO MATTER where you bought your shoes, bring them here to be repaired. 1014, 3 Oriental Ave., opposite Grand Theatre.

OUR ENAMELLING PLANT is entirely up-to-date. Old wheels made like new, at Harris & Moore's, 42 Broad street. Tel. 1202.

CONTRACTORS. ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings; work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

JOHN HARGREAVILLE—Contractor, 47 Dispersal street. All kinds of building done and estimates given. When you want the contractor to call phone us, 184.

CHAS. A. MCGREGOR, 85 Yates street. Jobbing trade a specialty. Twenty years experience. Orders promptly filled.

COFFEE AND SPICES. VICTORIA COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS—Offices and mills, 148 Government street. A. J. Morley, proprietor.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING. GRIMMEY'S CLEANED—Defective Sues sized, etc. Wm. Neal, 25 Quadra street. Phone 1019.

LOUPE & CO.—Sweepers to H. M. Naval Yard, Jubilee Hospital, Dominion, Victoria and other first-class hotels. Orders taken at Glover & Wainwright's, 111 Douglas street. Phone 910. Prices reasonable.

CHRISTMAS TREES. ALL SIZES, all prices. Order to-day to be sure. Johnson's Transfer & Fuel Co., 115 Douglas street.

CUT FLOWERS. CHOICE CUT FLOWERS for any and every occasion. The Victoria Florist, 28 Broad street, Tel. 211.

CUSTOMS BROKER. J. LEEMING, Customs Broker and Forwarding Agent—1 Fort street. Tel. 748; residence, 118.

CHINESE GOODS. CANTON BAZAAR, 106 Government St. Just arrived from China, exquisite embroidered and drawnwork table covers and doilies; also linen and silk embroidered goods, Chinese fire crackers, etc.

DR. LEWIS HALL, Dental Surgeon, Jewell Block, cor. Yates and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C. Telephone, 507; residence, 112.

DYEING AND CLEANING. VICTORIA DYE WORKS, 115 Yates street. Dyeing and cleaning; modern plant; satisfaction guaranteed. Telephone 711.

ENGRAVING. GEORGE CROWTHER, engraver and photo cutter, 12 Wharf street, opposite Post Office.

EDUCATIONAL. MISS ARCHBUTT (London and Germany). The Poplars, 110 Bell street. Piano, singing, harmony, modern languages; ladies' vocal class; junior and advanced French and German classes.

IF YOU WANT thorough instruction in shorthand, spelling, bookkeeping, take a course at the Shortland College, 13 Broad street, Victoria, B. C. A. Macmillan, principal.

FURRIER. FRED FOSTER, taxidermist and furrier, 424 Johnson street.

HAIRDRESSING. THE UNIQUE HAIRDRESSING PARLORS, No. 625 Fort street, is introducing the latest fad in hairdressing, "The Marcel Wave," which gives a natural wave to the hair. Hairdressing school in connection, Marcel Wave taught; also hairdressing, shampooing, manicuring and ladies' make-up. Special 25-cent course. A good opportunity to the best student.

HUNTERS' OUTFIT. ATTENTION! Selling out, Valcan smokeless shells, 500 per box. Peden Bros., 30 Government block.

INSURANCE. CANADIAN CASUALTY AND BOILER INSURANCE CO. insures against all accidents and disasters. No restrictions. G. S. Baxter, Dist. Agent, 32 Ward St.

PROVISION MERCHANTS. DEAVILLE, SONS & CO., Family Grocers, Hillside avenue and First street, supply reliable goods at lowest cash prices. Try us.

PERSONAL. WOULD you marry if suited? 5,000 desire correspondence with view to matrimony. Large descriptive list with photos and P. O. address free. Address Cupid, 121, Oakland, Cal.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 29 Broad street, Victoria.

BOARD AND ROOMS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FURNISHED ROOMS and board, at 5 Pioneer street.

FURNISHED ROOMS—With board. Apply 23 Birdsall Walk.

LARGE, warm and sunny housekeeping rooms to rent, at the Douglas square on Elliott street. Call in forenoon.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

LEGAL. A. C. GALT, Barrister, Solicitor, etc., Board of Trade Building. Telephone No. 133.

SMITH & JOHNSTON—Barristers, Solicitors, etc., Parliamentary and Departmental Agents before the Railway and other Commissions and in the Supreme and Exchequer Courts, Ottawa, Alexander Smith, W. Johnston.

LADIES TAILORS. SO KEE & CO., 44 Broad street, for Christmas and New Year presents. Ladies' and children's dresses, etc., great variety of beautiful designs.

LADIES UNDERWEAR. CUTIE ON CO., 114 Yates street, manufacturers of ladies' underwear. All kinds of Chinese silks kept in stock. Terms reasonable.

LAUNDRY. VICTORIA STEAM LAUNDRY, 152 Yates street. Telephone 172. Satisfaction guaranteed. Our wages call every where.

LIME, ETC. RAYMOND & SONS, Dealers in Lime, Portland Cement, Brick, Fire Brick, and Vancouver Island Cement, 3 Pandora street, Victoria, B. C.

MACHINISTS. L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street. Tel. 900.

MERCHANT TAILORS. SPECIAL!—To introduce our high grade tailoring, we offer \$5.00 suits at \$2.00, to measure, for few days only. Sorenson, tailor, 25 Government street, opposite Troncade Ave.

LEE & FRASER. Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Vancouver street, Tel. 31,000, east.

FOR SALE—Modern cottage and large lot on Vancouver street for \$1,000, cash, or \$100 per month.

NIAGARA STREET—Nice cottage, with modern conveniences and large lot, \$1,500.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Lots Thirty-One and Thirty-Two, East Victoria (Map 29), Victoria, B. C. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention, at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above lands, and that any person who has a claim against the said lands, or who is interested in the said lands, should file a statement of his claim with the Registrar-General, at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., on or before the 25th day of October, 1906, and numbered 1255.

LEE & FRASER. Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Troncade Avenue.

PEMBERTON & SON 43 FORT STREET. FOR SALE SEVENTH STREET WORK ESTATE. Small 5-roomed cottage, with all conveniences, on the installment plan, and at a very moderate price.

SYLVIA STREET—2 story house, in quiet neighborhood, well finished, and with all conveniences, easy terms, \$1,500.

PROVINCIAL REALTY OFFICE, 106 BROAD STREET. CRAWFORD ROAD—3 roomed house and two lots, all under cultivation, chicken house and fruit trees, \$1,000.

IF INTERESTED in suburban property, state wants, and call or write us. Our list is large and we are sure to have something satisfactory.

SWINERTON & ODDY 102 GOVERNMENT STREET. A BARGAIN—2 story house, 6 rooms, sewer connection, brick foundation, mostly built of brick, 2 1/2 baths, 2 closets, at \$2,500. Price for the two, only \$2,800. Situate on Johnson street, near Methodist church.

MUSIC. VICTORIA COLLEGE OF MUSIC, 48 Cook street. Principal, Mr. A. C. Long. Sold, P. V. C. M. Lessons in piano, violin, organ, etc. Terms on application.

MONUMENTS. GRANITE AND MARBLE WORKS. Estimates given for monuments, etc. J. K. Phillips, 71 and 75 View street. Tel. 1147.

STRESSES. MRS. E. GALE, Nurse, 38 Superior street, first cottage from Menzies. Phone 98.

MRS. HOOD, Nurse, 17 Alfred street. Phone No. 4590.

PATENTS. PATENTS—Egerton B. Case, Temple Building, Toronto. R. L. Drury, Esq., M. P. F., telephone.

PAPERHANGING. WALLPAPERS—New designs. Paperhanging department. See in view of the holidays. J. G. Sears, 91, 93 Yates street.

PLUMBING. VICTORIA PLUMBING CO. are famous for quick work, thorough work, and fair charges. 114 Yates street. Telephone 454.

POTTERY WARE. SEWER PIPE, FIBRE TILE, GROUND FIRE CLAY, FLOWER POTS, ETC. B. POTTERY CO. LIMITED, CORNER BROAD AND PANDORA STREETS, VICTORIA.

PROVISIONS. CELEBRATED ENGLISH SAUSAGE and Mince Meat; Chickens in every style. A. W. Simmons, 25 Government street, opp. Post Office.

SURGEON DENTISTS. DR. H. AND R. B. DIER, Surgeon Dentists, Five Sisters' Block, opposite elevator, Fort street, Phone 255.

BEAUMONT BOGGS Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 42 Fort St.

New Home List Just Out. COVICHAN—20 acres, 10 cultivated, 10 pasture, orchard 200 trees, 1 road, cow shed and barn, price \$2,000.

SHAWINGAN—100 acres, 8 cultivated, 20 pasture and orchard, 3 road, cow shed, price \$3,000.

CALENDONIA PARK—Lots in the subdivision on Niagara, Carr, Simcoe and St. Andrew streets, price \$2,000.

DENMAN ISLAND, COMOX DISTRICT. 144 acres, 25 pasture, 1000 trees, water, good land, 2 roads, price \$2,500.

FOR SALE—50 of the best farms on Vancouver Island, call at office for list.

FOR SALE—Above lots on Cambria Ave. price \$300.

FOR SALE—100-acre farm, Simons, above beach, etc., price \$2,500.

FOR SALE—100 acres, on Cowichan River, house and other improvements, price \$1,500.

FOR SALE—25 acres, on Esquimalt harbor, price \$2,500.

FOR SALE—600-acre house, 1000 sq. ft. of cement, buildings, price \$2,000.

FOR SALE—Daily farm at Simons, 1 1/2 acres, buildings, etc., price \$2,000.

FOR SALE—Waterfront lot in Esquimalt, price \$2,000.

HOUSES OR COTTAGES BUILT on monthly payment plan, under best terms, and by experienced builders.

RIVER FRONTAGE—50 acres (improved) 7 miles Cowichan Station, price \$2,500.

COTTAGE and 3 acres, all improved, on Shell Bay, a bargain.

ORCHARD—20 acres in fruit, at Gordon Head, a going concern, cheap.

COTTAGE—50 acres, at Tye Station, 10 miles from Victoria, price \$2,500.

NIAGARA STREET—Lots, price \$200.

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P. R. BROWN CO., LTD. 20 BROAD STREET. Call for a List of Our One Hundred and Fifty Dwellings for Sale.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2 1/2 acres, Oak Bay house, outbuildings, beautiful view of the sea. \$11,000.

FOR SALE—Handsome bungalow and two lots, Oak Bay avenue, all modern conveniences. \$6,000.

FOR SALE—A five roomed cottage and 1/2 acre, on car line, \$2,000, easy terms. \$1,500.

FOR SALE—New modern dwelling of eight rooms, may be had at a very low price, price bearing house, school, all modern conveniences, \$2,500.

FOR SALE—Two good water front lots, worth looking into. \$2,500.

FOR SALE—Many cheap lots, on the new car line.

FOR SALE—Two acres of choice land, at Shell Bay. \$2,250.

FOR SALE—120 acres, Saanich District, 40 cultivated, 200 fruit trees, large house, barn and several outbuildings, price \$6,500 cash. \$2,815.



Messrs. L. Eaton & Co. AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS. Will hold a Sale of Household Furniture, etc. At their salerooms, on Wednesday, January 10th, at 2 p. m.

Furniture AND FURNISHINGS OF A 6 ROOMED COTTAGE, Particulars later.

Wm. T. Hardaker, AUCTIONEER EX "PING SUEY."

Hubbuck's Genuine English White Lead In 28lb. Kegs. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

PETER McQUADE & SON 78 WHARF STREET. BORN. MARRIED. DIED.

WAIN-At the Royal Jubilee hospital, on the 8th inst., Sarah, beloved wife of Henry Wain, aged 77 years, and a native of Kent, Eng.

HAGGMAN-At New Westminster, on Jan. 6th, Olga D., third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hagman, aged 17 years.

The Metropolitan Epworth League held its weekly meeting under the auspices of the literary department last evening.

The regular monthly entertainment of the St. Andrew's Society was held last evening at the Sir Wm. Wallace hall.

1906 We solicit the opportunity of supplying your drug store during the coming year, and guarantee PURITY. ACCURACY. RELIABILITY. MODERATE PRICES.

John Cochrane, Chemist N. W. COR. YATES AND DOUGLAS STREETS. One Needs Stimulating Food

At this time of the year. What is nicer than a cup of Hot Beef Tea? 16-oz. BOTTLE BOVRLI CORDIAL. 16-oz. BOTTLE JOHNSTON'S FLUID BEEF. GRIFFIN'S CELEBRATED SOUPS, per tin. 10c. ARMOUR'S, LEIDIG'S AND BOVRLI IN ALL SIZES.

Lock Fynne Herrings A small consignment of above just to hand. Secure some before they are all gone.

Challenge Cup Tea? Windsor Grocery Company, Opposite Post Office, Government Street

UNSIGHTLY THE OLD-FASHIONED DROP LIGHT IS VERY UNSIGHTLY. IT GIVES AN UNFINISHED APPEARANCE TO A TASTEFULLY FURNISHED ROOM.

HINTON ELECTRIC CO., LD. 29 GOVERNMENT ST. VICTORIA, B. C.

SIGHTED THE LOST PASS OF MELFORT

THE LATEST NEWS ABOUT THE VESSEL Moller, from Panama, Reports That Barque Had Been Cleaned Before Sailing.

C. R. RITCHIE, DEAD. Former Chancellor of the Exchequer Passed Away Suddenly in France.

GERMAN MINISTER ILL. Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.-A cablegram received at the state department today from Berlin says that Baron Richthofen, the German minister of foreign affairs, has suffered a stroke of paralysis, and is seriously and critically ill.

TRUE BILL RETURNED. Ottawa, Jan. 9.-A true bill has been returned against Alphonse Larocque, who was charged with murder.

LINEMAN ELECTROCUTED. Vancouver, Jan. 9.-Thos. Burgess, a lineman employed by the B. C. Electric Railway Company, was electrocuted last night.

TIDE TABLE Victoria, B. C., January, 1906. Table with columns for Date, Time, and Tide levels (High, Low, etc.)

The tide used in Pacific Standard, for the 12th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIP. Information Relative to the Selection of the 1906 Representative From British Columbia.

General information governing the Rhodes scholarships in Canada has been received by the superintendent of education, Alex. Robinson.

Candidates shall be British subjects, and registered in the province in which they have taken their secondary examination in any of these universities.

The selection of the Rhodes scholar will be made by the Rhodes trustees, who are composed of the following: The Colonial Universities' Statute provides that any University in the British Empire may apply to Oxford University to be admitted to the privilege of the statute.

A PEN PICTURE OF GENERAL TREPPOFF, IN WHOSE HANDS THE FATE OF ST. PETERSBURG LIES.

and the military have been directed to fire ball-cartridge if the crowds offer resistance. No blank cartridge will be used.

A Frenchman may become a doctor, a lawyer, or a member of the board of education. She may even be decorated with the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

An absolutely pure smoking tobacco MEERSCHAUM CUT PLUG Sold by all dealers in packages & pouches

PROVINCIAL NEWS Y.M.I.R.

The Ymir Gold Mines Company sustained a serious loss last week through the total destruction of their store and stock by fire.

At the annual general meeting of the K. M. & A. A. Secretary Kerr read the financial statement, which showed a very satisfactory state of things.

VERNON. A very pleasant function took place in the Coldstream hotel last week, when the members of the Vernon fire brigade band entertained a number of friends at a banquet.

"IRON HEART." A PEN PICTURE OF GENERAL TREPPOFF, IN WHOSE HANDS THE FATE OF ST. PETERSBURG LIES.

and the military have been directed to fire ball-cartridge if the crowds offer resistance.

General Trepoff will not have signed the proclamation from which these words are taken.

Three attempts were made in a single week. A woman placed the muzzle of a pistol against his breast and pulled the trigger.

FINED FOR SMUGGLING. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 9.-The Exchequer court has condemned John Spencer and Samuel Spencer, ranchers in the Milk River country, Alberta, to pay \$6,000 to the customs department for smuggling cattle across the boundary.

MONEY TO LOAN On approved security at lowest current rates. Fire Insurance Written

B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Limited 40 Government Street

Leg Bands for Poultry We have an unlimited supply, all sizes, 25 cents per dozen.

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Consisting of SPECIAL RED SEAL (Known as House of Commons) BLACK & WHITE ROYAL HOUSEHOLD

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. VICTORIA THEATRE Friday Evening, Jan. 12th

THE College Widow The same perfect production that delighted crowds at the Garden Theatre, New York.

TAI CHEN & CO. Manufacturers of and Dealers in LADIES SILK AND COTTON UNDERWEAR, DRESSES, WRAPPERS, ETC.

ROSLYN COAL The Coming Favorite Never Fails to Give Satisfaction.

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The Sanitary Feather Works FORT AND BLANCHARD STS.

The Victoria No. 2 Building Society Costs only \$35 to take up a share.

Dutch Bulbs Just Imported Extra Quality Cheap Prices

Johnston's Seed Store City Market

New Shirts We have just opened up a lot of new soft shirts for men.

W. G. Cameron, 55 Johnson Street