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INQUIRY INTO THE VALENCIA WRECK

Commission Appointed by the Dominion Government Held First Session To-Day--Two Witnesses Were Examined.

The first session of the commission, comprising Capt. Gaudin, Cox and Newcombe, appointed by the Dominion government to inquire into the Valencia disaster, was held this morning. Two witnesses were examined, namely, W. Allen, local agent, and P. Peterson, second officer of the lost vessel. The latter gave a clear account of the occurrences on board from the time of leaving San Francisco harbor until striking the rocks on Vancouver Island.

Capt. Gaudin, chairman of the commission, in opening the proceedings wished it understood that he wasn't conducting a prosecution. It was simply an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the Valencia disaster. With regard to counsel he stated that the Dominion government had appointed a representative in the person of C. H. Lugin, but he had no authority to permit outside counsel to participate.

At this J. H. Lawson, Jr. present in behalf of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., protested emphatically. He thought it curious that the concern which was being investigated should not be represented.

Mr. Lugin contended that no charge was levied against anyone, and that, therefore, Mr. Lawson's presence in the company's interests was unnecessary.

Finally it was agreed that Mr. Lawson should be permitted to cross-examine witnesses only when statements derogatory to the company were contained in the evidence submitted.

Mr. Allen, the first witness called, said that P. Peterson and Co. were the agents of the P. C. S. S. Co., and he had charge of that department.

The steamer Valencia had left on time, and was expected here on the night of the 22nd or early during the morning of the 23rd of last month. It was the second trip of that steamer. She had been subjected to the usual annual inspection.

He had not felt anxious until noon of the 23rd, when the absence of any news made him somewhat concerned as to the safety of the Valencia.

His first information of the wreck had been received from Capt. Gaudin. The name of the ship was not mentioned in the first dispatch, but the Valencia, being overdue, immediately suggested itself to his mind.

The chairman expressed some incredulity at this statement. He asked how many shrouds there were, and witness said there were only two, but that the passengers were clinging there in large numbers. Some had lashed themselves to the mast with ropes. There was one young woman, about 22 years of age, in the rigging.

The only time it would have been possible for life to have been saved from the sea by boats was on Tuesday morning. Then the surf was not as high as was the case on Wednesday.

He was on the Valencia when the steamships approached. The latter lay outside about two miles, perhaps more. The tugboat Clear came within three-quarters of a mile. He believed that it would have been possible for that ship to have come in closer.

Questioned by Mr. Lugin, witness said that an ordinary fagboat could be heard at a distance of two miles. As the vessel struck about half-way between the quarters of a mile. He believed that it would have been possible for that ship to have come in closer.

Witness said that it was a night when he would have expected to hear a fog whistle. He was looking more for lights than anything else. There was not a heavy fog, although it was very dark and misty.

Capt. Gaudin drew witness' attention to the strong northerly current on the west coast of Vancouver Island. The latter said that in all his experience this was the only instance where it had carried him off his course to any extent.

The Valencia, witness said, had seven boats, three life rafts and all life saving apparatus. He couldn't say whether the plugs were in the boats or whether the latter were fully equipped according to the requirements.

In the one he had entered everything was perfect. There was a sea anchor in the boat. Of the rafts one was between 22 and 24 feet long and another about 15 feet in length. The davits were of a modern character and their operation was very simple.

After the ship struck the captain ordered full speed astern. In seven minutes there were six feet of water in the hull. Seeing this the captain ordered the hands on deck and ordered the lowering of boats to the raft. He remarked to witness that he intended to beach the vessel.

Assisted by others, witness lowered the small boats according to directions. Going over to the starboard he had persuaded five women to enter one of the boats. Two of them jumped out, stating that they preferred staying with the ship.

He then told of the launching of the boats. The order to place them in the water had been given shortly after they had brought down to the rails. He didn't know who gave instructions to launch the craft.

Replying to Capt. Gaudin, witness said that the order was given for each crew to go to their respective boats. He went to his, which was No. 6. There were a number of men missing. He had not given the command lower away. He didn't know who did.

To Capt. Newcombe he stated that there was a crew for each boat. He should have had about seven in the one he had charge of, but three were missing. He was remembered, as far as he knew, when the order was heard all the boats were lowered. There were only seven or eight women and men in his boat at the time. The captain was then on the bridge.

Continuing, witness said that all passengers were taken to the saloon. The captain commenced sending up rockets. He then went down among the passengers in order to reassure them.

The boatswain, McCarty, had been sent ashore with a boat's crew in order to obtain assistance. They had fired two or three lines ashore, one of which had landed among the trees. "If anyone had been there," witness said, "all might have been saved."

Witness also told of the stationman managing to get ashore. He had been so placed as to be unable to get up or down. In making an effort to escape he had lost his life.

On Tuesday morning it would have been possible to approach the wreck, although the chances of being smashed would have been great. That night the captain had remarked that the ship could last through the tide she might stand the surf another twelve hours.

On Wednesday witness said that the majority of the passengers had taken positions in the lower part of the rigging and at the stern of the vessel. The hull was shaky at that time and witness could not see through the water rolls under the deck and lifted the hurricane deck perceptibly. About then the tug Clear had circled in and out again, making all on board "pretty sick."

Telling of the launching of the last raft, witness said that Capt. Johnson had invited the women to take places on board. "It's the last chance," he had repeated several times. But they replied, "No, we might as well die on board as on the raft."

The raft, witness continued, was standing perpendicular and jumping around on the sea in a manner which frightened those asked to take places. Just as she was going off with a number of men, the captain, addressing witness, said, "Well, you might as well go." Witness had taken advantage of the permission.

OPPOSITION TO THE COLLEGE BILL

CLAIMED M'GILL IS SEEKING TOO MUCH

Graduates and Friends of Other Universities May Take Stand Against Measure.

The bill introduced into the legislature by the minister of education for the giving of the legislative sanction to the establishment in British Columbia of a McGill College has aroused considerable criticism, and the bill will undoubtedly be opposed from many sources. While it will have the support among those who recognize McGill as their Alma Mater and by a wide circle who can see nothing good in any other Canadian university except the Montreal institution there will come very strong opposition from other sources to the tying up of the higher education of British Columbia to a single university.

McGill graduates and its friends have always manifested a most loyal spirit towards that institution. This is praiseworthy and has helped to give the university the proud position it occupies in higher education in Canada. But graduates of Toronto University, which probably almost doubles McGill in the number in attendance, and those who have received their degrees and their training in other Canadian universities, which although not rejoicing in such lavish friends as the Montreal university, have nevertheless turned out graduates of the ripest culture, will take a strong stand against making McGill virtually the British Columbia university. This is what is felt the present bill will do. It will make the collegiate course of education in the province conform to that set as preparatory to entrance to McGill University.

The legislature in passing the bill will, it is felt, practically acknowledge that the establishment of a provincial university is not desired. Instead of attempting anything of this kind the province agrees to ally with McGill, which will become the recognized provincial university. Under these circumstances it is felt that the province will sooner or later be asked to endorse the college. In addition to this it is felt natural that the High school course of the province will be made to conform to this, and will be drawn up from the point of view that the pupil will eventually take the McGill course of instruction.

The friends of Toronto University, which boasts of the largest attendance of any in the Dominion, take exception to this. They take the ground that if the British Columbia university is to be established that there should be no discrimination against the Toronto institution, graduates of which will take second place to no other in the department handled.

Toronto University being a provincial one has not reached out to the same extent for affiliation as McGill. Of late, however, there has been an indication that some such movement might be inaugurated. The many graduates and friends of that university in British Columbia would gladly welcome such, and for that reason object to tying up the educational system of the province to only one eastern university.

On Saturday evening the board of school trustees and the local members of the legislature met to consider the bill. Trustee Huggett presided, and there were present also Mayor Morley, R. Hall, M. P. P.; J. D. McEwen, M. P. P.; W. G. Cameron, M. P. P., and Trustees, Mrs. Jenkins, Dr. Hall, Mowat and Lewis and City Superintendent Eaton.

Trustee Huggett expressed himself as opposed to anything which tended to give Vancouver educational advantages which were not to be accorded to Victoria. He referred to the special advantages which the capital possessed as an educational centre, and thought that if Vancouver was to be given any advantages Victoria should have the same.

Similar views were expressed by others present. Trustee Hall referring to the bill pointed out that McGill University was a question to be considered before this course should be adopted. Mayor Morley did not agree with the principle of handing the British Columbia educational system over to McGill.

Trustee Hall expressed the view that one of the best things which Victoria could undertake would be to work for the establishment of a college here. The city should if necessary raise half the amount. He did not approve of McGill University having a preponderant influence in British Columbia. The subject was fully discussed before the meeting dispersed, but no decision was reached as to concerted action.

DIED FROM INJURIES.
Lady Grey, wife of Britain's Foreign Minister, Passed Away Sunday.

ROWING AT HENLEY.

Accusation of Foul Play Has Aroused Indignation in Old Country.

(Associated Press.)
London, Feb. 4.—Rowing enthusiasts and indeed all sportsmen are very much upset by the accusations of foul play at Henley regatta, which has been recently appearing in some of the United States newspapers. On this the Tribune remarks: "The mischief makers could not have touched us on a more tender spot, for apart from our pride in the British traditions of fair play, there is perhaps no greater sport in the absolute purity of which we all believe so unhesitatingly, as in that of rowing, which is entirely kept up by amateurs. Why is the university boat race a national institution? As a spectacle alone it is hardly worth mention. A close game of ping-pong is more momentarily thrilling. The reason is that the whole country from the cabinet minister, who once gained his blue, down to the caddy who puts his shilling upon the red, knows that the race will be a clean victory for the better crew, and so it is with Henley."

ENDS IN FAILURE.

Hungarian Situation Still Remains Unsettled—Emperor-King Rejects Coalition Programme.

Vienna, Feb. 5.—The negotiations of the settlement of the Hungarian situation has ended in complete failure, and Count Julius Andrássy, one of the leaders on the coalition party, returned to Budapest after a lengthy interview with the Emperor-King, who refused the modified programme of the coalition. Unless the coalition yields at the last hour this failure to reach an agreement must, it is thought, result in an effort by the Emperor to establish an absolutism in Hungary.

FACING COAL FAMINE.

(Special to the Times.)
Dawson, Feb. 5.—Dawson is facing a coal famine, but there is a hope that arrangements may be made for relief. All the coal which has been released for sale has been bought by consumers, and is virtually exhausted.

ATTRACTS MANITOBIANS.

Victoria is a Mecca for Those Who Have Made Fortunes.

"D. McIntosh, of Winnipeg, was in Nanaimo a few days ago," says the Free Press of that city. Mr. McIntosh is known all over the country, for while he is largely interested in Winnipeg and Manitoba, he keeps an eye on all parts of the country, and it was with this end in view that he made a trip to the island. He reports real estate activity in Victoria. During the two weeks he spent there over a thousand Manitobans arrived in Victoria. These men are farmers who live in easy circumstances or have made their pile. Many of them still keep their property in Manitoba and are looking for a mild winter resort. Last week Mr. McIntosh says that they invested over \$50,000 in houses in Victoria. Your Manitoba farmer is something of an aristocrat, and he instances the case of one man who raises annually \$1,200 bushels of wheat, and comes to the coast every winter. "This same man is a sample of the go-ahead, irrepressible Manitoban, for one day last year he sowed with one machine 150 acres of land. Mr. McIntosh has confidence in the future of the island, but does not think that we will make that progress that is anticipated, at least not for some years. He believes we have the finest fruit lands anywhere, but he says the island farmer is too backward in his methods and it will be up to the prairie men after the Territories have been settled to come here and show them how to take advantage of their opportunities."

STEAMER MISSING.

No News Received Regarding the Dora Since December 22nd.

Shipping men have practically abandoned hope for the steamer Dora, owned by the Vancouver Steamship Company, which is long overdue from Kodiak. The last report of the steamer which was received in Seattle, came from Kodiak and was dated December 22nd. The steamer was headed for Dutch Harbor and points in the Aleutian islands. The trip would take only a few days, but the steamer is now more than forty days out without being heard from. In the opinion of sailors, nothing but a serious accident would keep the vessel out for this long without a report of her position being received. The Dora is an old steamer, she has been running in the north for a number of years. For the last few weeks serious gales have been sweeping the northern seas, and sailors believe the ship has foundered. When the Dora left Kodiak she had a number of passengers on board besides the crew.

The United States government has been asked to send the cutter Rush in search of the steamer.

TWO MEN FOUND DEAD.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Two men were found dead in bed in a room on the top of the old Imperial hotel at 42 Jarvis street, about 10 o'clock this morning. They were about 19 o'clock this morning. They were both fully dressed and the gas was turned on. Whether it was an accident or a case of suicide is not obvious. One of the dead men is John Miller, aged sixty, who came to lodge at the place some three or four months ago. Beyond this no one knows anything about him. His companion, aged forty-five, has the appearance of having been down on his luck. He was identified as Wm. O'Hara, who is said to have a brother in Hamilton and a son here.

Part of the Schleichmann Manufacturing Company's vinegar plant at Pechelbush, N. Y., was burned Saturday with a loss of \$200,000.

BOILER OF RAILWAY ENGINE EXPLODES

FIREMAN KILLED AND ENGINEER INJURED

Sad Death of Manager of Bank at Kingston—The Seed Grain Section Train.

(Associated Press.)
Montreal, Feb. 4.—The boiler of locomotive number 207, belonging to the Vancouver local on the Grand Trunk Railway, exploded while the train was on the outskirts of the city on Saturday evening. Fireman Sharp was instantly killed and Engineer Brown seriously injured. Both men were hurled through the windows of the cab. Passengers on the train heard the noise of the explosion. The train was on the down grade at the time, and when it stopped a visit to the engine disclosed the fact that the men manning it were missing. Brown was found walking down the track, while Sharp's body lay in a field alongside. The explosion was apparently due to low water in the boiler. Arrested in Montreal.

Montreal, Feb. 4.—Chas. C. Brown, formerly an appraiser in New York, was arrested here on Saturday on a charge of defrauding the United States government. It is alleged that he passed goods belonging to a New York firm of silk importers at less than duty rates. When indicted in New York he fled to this city. It is expected that he will put up a hard fight against extradition.

Another Fire.
Montreal, Feb. 4.—Fire in the basement of the Coristine building on St. Paul street on Saturday night did considerable damage before it could be got under control. The loss is placed at \$10,000.

Found Dead.
Kingston, Ont. Feb. 4.—The body of the man found near the railway tracks near here this morning has been identified as that of Roderick MacKenzie, manager of the Bank of Montreal of this city. He was found dead near the Grand Trunk Railway tracks two and one-half miles east of the lower station at 3:30 o'clock. When the body was found it had not become cold, so that death had occurred not more than half an hour previous. It was found that death had resulted from a drug which Mr. MacKenzie had taken. The bottle was found, also a small bottle of glycerine in his pocket. Mr. MacKenzie had been in Kingston, Que., 57 years ago. His father was a chief factor of the Hudson's Bay Co. In 1867 he entered the service of the Bank of Montreal at Montreal, and continued with it ever since. He served at Halifax, St. John, N. B., Newcastle, N. B., Cornwall and Kingston.

Seed Selection.
Winnipeg, Feb. 4.—The seed selection train yesterday completed the fourth week of its tour of the Canadian west. During that time 37 stations have been visited and 482 lectures delivered.

Dawson Curiers.
Brandon, Feb. 4.—The Dawson city curiers captured two trophies and secured places in the grand challenge at the hospital here, making the best record of any rink in its own year in the west. There were only three open events.

Destroyed by Fire.
Burke's Falls, Ont. Feb. 4.—Fire this morning destroyed the Wilson block, occupied by H. L. Douglas, grocer; John Edgers, drug store, and the Masonic hall. The loss is \$15,000.

SURVEYORS AT WORK.

C. P. R. Parties Engaged in Surveying from Kodiak and to South of That Point.
(Associated Press.)
Seattle, Feb. 5.—According to reports received from Bellingham, two parties of Canadian Pacific surveyors have been working in and south of Bellingham for the past week; a survey has been made of the Bellingham water front. After completing this survey, the engineers continued their operations to the south. An officer of the Bellingham Bay Improvement Company denies the report that the B. B. & C. railroad has been sold.

UNEASINESS AT CANTON.

Not Sufficient Police to Protect Foreigners, Who Appeal For Assistance.

(Associated Press.)
Hongkong, Feb. 4.—Foreigners at Canton are in a state of great apprehension, owing to the insufficient number of police to protect them. After the looting on Saturday of the residence of Rev. Dr. Andrew Battle, an American Presbyterian missionary at Pany, by an armed band of Chinese, the guard boat was requested to send her of police, making the commander replied that he was not empowered to comply with the request.

JAPAN'S NAVY.

Tonnage Will Be Largely Increased Before End of 1905.

(Associated Press.)
Tokyo, Feb. 4.—At a meeting of the budget committee to-day a delegate representing the government said that Japan expected to increase the tonnage of her navy to 400,000 tons by the end of the fiscal year of 1906.

TWENTY BODIES SINCE SATURDAY

BROUGHT TO THIS CITY FROM THE WRECK

Lorne Had Twelve on Arrival To-Day—Description of Bodies Recovered.

Bodies from the wreck of the Valencia continue to arrive, bringing home to Victorians in a manner perhaps more realistic than in any other way the horror of the catastrophe in which over 100 lives were lost. There was supposed to be 130 on board all told. Thirty-nine survivors have been accounted for, and according to the latest count there have been 27 bodies recovered. Twelve more came on the steamer Lorne this morning; eight arrived on the Wyadna on Saturday evening, seven arrived on the Lorne on Friday evening; three came on the Queen City on Thursday, one on the Bahadai on Wednesday, one on the Grant to Seattle; one has been buried on Long Beach near Clayquot, and two are still on the beach near the wreck. Whether it is possible to recover the latter the provincial police here are unable to say. Steamers are keeping up the search, and it is probable that many more other bodies may be picked up, as there are on the scene the U. S. cutters Grant and Perry and the steamer Wyadna. The Lorne left Victoria for the scene at 11 o'clock this morning to join in the work along the beach.

Of the eight bodies which arrived on the Wyadna on Saturday evening one identified and previously not reported in the Times was that of the remains of the late L. J. Bruer. His niece, Miss M. Bruer of Minneapolis, who has been in the city for some time waiting to see if the body would not be found, at once recognized the dead by the teeth and hands; the eight almost overcame her. Immediately after identification arrangements were made for the shipment of the corpse back to Minneapolis and where the deceased was known as a prominent lumberman.

A description of the bodies recovered and brought to Victoria on the Wyadna and Lorne are given as follows:
Found February 2nd, floating one mile from wreck by United States ship Perry, female—height, 5 feet 2 inches; weight, about 160 pounds; well developed; apparently a married woman; eyes apparently blue; features apparently round; blonde; face unrecognizable. On the body when found were: White collar on neck with blue border, apparently velvet; black dot near the top rim of outside collar; three hooks and eyes in collar; black stockings; black lace shoes. French heels; hairy upper lip—inside—right 1895, two gold or gilt ornaments, each being a ring with two pendants attached by five links, one pendant being a Lewis and Clark Exposition gold dollar and another pendant being a gold half dollar. Two gold rings for right and left hand. Teeth as follows: Left side upper jaw—first missing; second, third, fifth, sixth and seventh, gold crowned; fourth natural. Right side—first missing; second, fourth, fifth and sixth, gold crowned; third gold back, evidently had porcelain in front. Lower jaw, as follows: First three teeth both sides natural, next four teeth not readily visible.

No. 4.—Female—Five feet 3 inches; weight, about 140 pounds; no hair; teeth as follows: Upper right side, two front missing; 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th, 8th

natural 5th gold crowned. Left side: 1st and 2nd missing, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 8th natural, 4th small silver filling, 6th gold crowned. Lower right side: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th missing; 4th, 5th, 7th and 8th natural. Lower left side: 1st, 6th and 8th missing, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th natural, 5th broken off, 7th decayed both hands long and thin, finger both short. Clothing—piece of bottom rim of white flannel drawers, one black stocking on left foot, one black patent leather shoe, kid uppers, long thin foot, sole worn across ball of foot toward outside edge, no jewelry.

No. 17.—Male—Height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, fully 200 pounds; light brown hair, possibly blonde; clean shaven; short stubble grey beard. Only teeth are first five in left lower jaw, right side of jaw being missing. No dental work. All teeth stained dark, and crowned. Short nose. Special landing gear with barbour in each hand and with short skirts and stockings tattooed, on right arm inside, figure 5 1/2 inches long, tattooed in blue decorated in red. Blue anchor tattooed at base of right thumb 1/2 inch long. On inside left forearm large tattoo decoration consisting of an under-ephephoric in blue all representation of bracelet in blue representing round left wrist. Only clothing, one black woolen sock, one new shoe size 6, marked Henley, San Francisco. No. 8.—Male—Large frame, small waist, features unrecognizable, teeth missing, except 2nd bicuspid and 3rd molar, first molar missing. Lower jaw, right side, first molar apparently been filled; second molar, apparently had large cavity in centre top of tooth, but teeth walls standing, fillings apparently dropped out. Left side all teeth sound, general appearance of teeth handsome and even. Features not readily visible among the crew. The captain acted with remarkable coolness and courage throughout. The same was true of the first officer. Witness had looked after the condition of his own boat; its plug was in its place. An adjournment was taken until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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CONFERENCE ON MOROCCAN REFORMS

MAIN QUESTION WILL SOON BE REACHED
The Delegates are Working to Prevent a Deadlock Regarding the Control of Police.

Algerian, Feb. 2.—The conference on Moroccan reforms has now been freed of most of the minor questions before it and finds itself fast approaching the issues which heretofore caused the severe strain in the relations of France and Germany. This issue hinges on who will control the police of Morocco, as it appears to be recognized that whoever controls the semi-military organization will control Morocco itself. The delegates to the conference have shown increasing anxiety at the approach of this issue, knowing the intense feeling it has aroused between France and Germany, and accordingly the representatives of the disinterested powers are redoubling their efforts to secure an accord before the session reaches the open conference and thereby avert an open controversy and a possible deadlock. Various

Compromise Plans
are being discussed. The ambassadors are being discussed. The ambassadors say to-night they are hopeful that a middle ground will be found that will be acceptable to both countries, but they admit the extreme difficulty of finding such a middle ground. The firmness of both France and Germany thus far have shown against making concessions which each country feels will involve the fate of Morocco. On the one hand, France wants control of the semi-military police and, on the other hand Germany objects to French control. France the virtual master of Morocco's political future. These positions are so radically opposed as to appear to be almost irreconcilable, yet the neutral diplomats are strenuously continuing their

Pacific Offices
toward finding a common ground acceptable to both countries. The ambassadors strongly oppose the disclosure of the various tentative plans for a compromise, saying that publicity tends to excite the opposition of one side or the other, and the wreck of the best efforts of diplomacy. However, some of the compromise projects are on the following lines:
The first is to leave the police to the Sultan of Morocco, thus avoiding Germany's objection to French control, and that of France to international control.

This compromise is distasteful to France, but the neutral delegates are seeking to reconcile French opposition to it by pointing out that the Sultan would have to reply upon France to officer, instruct and discipline the police. Another compromise vaguely put forth is to give Spain or some other of the powers a share with France in the organization of the police. This organization meets with the opposition of having France participate in control of police.

Still another compromise, apparently having the approval of Germany, is to institute an international police for a limited and experimental period, and if the experiment fails France then will be in a position to accept the plan for an international police system even for a limited period.
These and other tentative plans will have to undergo constant revision, owing to the opposition of various elements. Nothing as yet has been reduced to writing as neither Germany nor France is prepared to definitely disclose just how far they are willing to go in the way of concessions. It is expected that the disposition of the question of a state bank may aid in a solution of the troubles, for in fact Germany is willing to give France a strong hand over Morocco's finances. France may yield control of the police for the present, leaving the future to

decide which power must provide the force to control Morocco.
The Moroccan conference held a two hours' session to-day, resulting in the definite rejection of the plan proposed by the Moors for the reform of the Moroccan tariff and the determination to frame a customs system more in accord with the views of the foreign powers. The Moors' tariff plan which was submitted January 25th was lengthily discussed, but the delegates decided they could accept neither the principle nor the rates as a basis. This determination was due to the

Excessive Rates
which the Moors sought to impose on foreign commodities entering Morocco, the defence taking the view that such a question would tend to defeat the principle of the open door.
However the delegates favored a moderate increase in the present duties and appointed a committee to prepare a project. It is expected that this will result in increasing the Moorish tariff rates to 12 1/2 per cent. in place of the present rate of 10 per cent. The conference further decided to prepare a project to overcome Morocco's antiquated measures restraining exports.

The later project will reduce the war-prior taxes on many articles and do away with rules by which Tangiers is the only port from which live stock can leave Morocco.
The conference is thus seeking to make the open door swing both ways for export and for imports.

Owing to an important Moorish feast occurring Monday and Tuesday the conference to-day adjourned until Wednesday. Most of the Moors are going to Tangiers to participate in the festivities.

Will Not Lead to War.
Berlin, Feb. 2.—The attitude of the French press toward Germany on the Moroccan question has caused the German government to declare emphatically that a failure of the Algerian conference would not lead to war with France.

RAILROADS UNITE.
Twenty Lines Agree Upon Uniform Rate to Meet Competition.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 2.—Representatives of twenty railroads met here yesterday and decided upon a common basis for making future rates on export flour to meet a big cut in the rate which it is said, the Gulf lines have secretly made. It is claimed by the other roads that the Missouri Pacific, the Illinois Central and the St. Louis and Frisco have been hauling flour to the Gulf for ten cents per 100 pounds, with an ocean tariff from Gulf ports of 11 cents, which was four cents cheaper than could be shipped to that point to-day by the objecting railroads, the latter agreed upon the employment of a joint agent here who will receive the ocean rate daily and to this add the cheapest inland rate made by the Kansas City roads. This rate is to be published tariff on export flour.

THE LATE KING CHRISTIAN.
Funeral May Be Postponed Until February 21st—Queen Alexandra at Copenhagen.
Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—Queen Alexandra arrived here this evening during a heavy snowstorm. She was met at the station by King Frederick and members of the royal family and the staff of the British legation. A large crowd respectfully saluted the Queen as the royal carriages left the station for the palace.

It has been arranged that the body of King Christian shall be conveyed to Roskilde by train, accompanied by the royal personages who are to attend the funeral. The funeral train will be followed by another containing those invited to the funeral.
It was announced to-night that there was a probability that the funeral of King Christian would be postponed until February 21st, owing to the desire of some foreign royal personages to attend who cannot arrive here earlier. It is rumored that King Edward is among these.

The services at Roskilde will be extremely simple. The sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Copenhagen. The seating capacity of the cathedral is only 1,800.
President Roosevelt has pardoned Midshipman John Paul Miller, of Kentucky, recently convicted of hazing at Annapolis.

CRISIS OF GIRLHOOD
A TIME OF PAIN AND PERIL

Miss Emma Cole Says that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has Saved Her Life and Made Her Well



Girls' modesty and oversensitiveness often puzzle their mothers and baffle physicians, because they withhold their confidence at this critical period.
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RESISTING OFFICIAL
Making of Inventories of Church Property Still Attended by Disturbances.

Paris, Feb. 2.—The making of inventories of church property under the provisions of the church and state separation law took place in three churches here to-day, but started off without violence. Clergymen made formal protest to the commissioners before they entered the churches.
A number of the prisoners taken into custody for assaulting the police during the disturbance earlier in the week were tried to-day and were given various terms of imprisonment. Several members of the clergy will be prosecuted later on charges of resisting the law. Members of the chamber of deputies will meet shortly to consider how to end the delicate situation.

RUSSIAN STREET RAILWAYS.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—Another section of the contract for the electrification of the streets car system of St. Petersburg was awarded to-day to the American Westinghouse Company. It covers the road and rails of that section and involves \$1,875,000. The power will be generated at Intra Falls, Finland, and will be transmitted over 120 miles.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.
ROSSLAND.
The output for the first month of the year was 36,650 tons and if the same rate of production is kept up for the remainder of the year it will read a total of 267,500 tons. The new find on the West-Beagle-portion of the Centre Star on the eleventh level is being developed and promises to yield a large tonnage of ore. The same ledge has been worked for some time, but will have to be developed in order to determine its value. The management while not inclined to minimize the value of the finding of the downward continuation of the main ledge of the mine are not inclined to say a great deal concerning its ultimate value until considerable development work has been done. The output for the week was: Centre Star, 4,860 tons; Le Roi, 1,500 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 630 tons; Le Roi No. 3, 2,000 tons; Jumbo, 200 tons; total for the week, 7,190 tons; and for the year, 32,650 tons.

GRANBROOK.
At the final session of the convention of the boards of trade of eastern British Columbia the following resolutions were passed: For the imposition of a duty of 1 cent a pound on lead after deducting any preferential allowances; condemning the School Act of 1905 and recommending its abolition as impracticable; for an investigation into the alleged giant powder combine in Canada with that in the United States, and for the abolition of the present duty of 3 cents on imports of powder from the United States; for the purchase of gold and silver by the Dominion government at the Trail refinery; for the support of the Kootenay Central railway by the provincial government by way of loan or guarantee of bonds; for empowering all municipalities to operate and own telephone lines and connect with trunk lines; for a commission of inquiry into the reserve of lands between Little Siocan and Okanagan lakes claimed by the Canadian Pacific railway, to see whether it is not being sold to them, and to see whether that and other land subsidies in Yale and Kootenay were not subject to taxation, and if in arrears, taxation should be collected from the Canadian Pacific railway and F. August Heine; condemning the bill against the export of unmanufactured lumber now before the legislature at Victoria; asking the legislature at the boundaries of the British Columbia Southern land grant, alleged by Smith Curtis to have been deliberately altered

STRIKE FUND DISCUSSED.
Levy of \$1 a Week on United Mine Workers May Be Ordered by Executive.
Indianapolis, Feb. 2.—The national executive board of the United Mine Workers of America met behind closed doors this morning and remained in session until evening. Routine business was transacted.
A special levy of \$1 a week on each member of the organization to create a strike fund was discussed informally, but no action was taken.
Notice may be issued to the board members to-morrow morning that a special session may be held during the day in order that the work may be disposed of more speedily. Otherwise the meeting of the board will be continued.

FROZEN TO DEATH.
Dawson, Feb. 2.—Frank Kubel, frozen to death, Ed. Webster frozen so both legs will have to be amputated, and a third man frozen to death, is the summary of the report of the disasters in Fortville and upper Tanana, brought to Dawson by Charles Webster, a White river pioneer. Kubel was frozen to death at Nabasena, above Tanana Crossing.
The bodies are being brought out by Sergeant and Wilds.

CANADIAN NOTES.

Farmer Killed by Falling Tree—New Railway Station Burned.
Bridgen, Ont., Feb. 2.—John Miller, a farmer, 31 years of age, of Moore township, while felling a tree was struck by a limb and killed. He leaves a wife and three small children.
Seven Years.

Brockville, Feb. 2.—James Harper was yesterday sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary for robbing and brutally assaulting a companion who was under the influence of liquor.
Destroyed By Fire.
New Hamburg, Ont., Feb. 2.—The new Grand Trunk freight and passenger station, built only a year ago, was destroyed by fire this morning. There was considerable freight in the building at the time. The loss on the station is about \$5,000, and the loss on the freight is not known.

Investment By Packers.
Hamilton, Feb. 2.—Swift & Co., the big Chicago packers, have bought shares in the Hamilton Stockyards Company.
Spoke at Banquet.
London, Feb. 2.—Hon. Messrs. Aylesworth and Hyman and Adam Beck, and F. D. Monk, M. P., were speakers at the annual banquet of the London St. Andrew's Society last night. Hon. A. E. Aylesworth's talk was chiefly on the affairs of Canadian railways, remarking that it was sentimentalism that was causing the railways to run east and west, and not from north to south. He also added that Canadians could look forward to the outlay on three transcontinental railways. Mr. Monk pointed out that French-Canadians had considerable to do with the country's welfare. Hon. C. Hyman and Mr. Beck spoke on different topics concerning the future outlook of Canada in its different stages. The banquet was largely attended and was the most successful yet held under these auspices.

Took Carbohc Acid.
Indian Head, Sask., Feb. 2.—Without apparent reason Jessie Thompson, a young Scotch girl, who came to Canada over a year ago, committed suicide yesterday at the Hotel Balmoral, where she was employed as a dining-room girl. She drank the contents of a bottle of carbohc acid, which she had asked the porter to purchase for her the evening before. The girl drank the acid just after she had been awakened in the morning, and though physicians were summoned, she died shortly after in great agony. She had lived in Indian Head a month, and previous to that time had resided in Winnipeg.

CASTRO STANDS FIRM.
Continues to Make Every Possible War Preparation.
Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Feb. 2.—Passengers on the Red D line steamer Philadelphia from New York, January 29th, and La Gulara, Venezuela, which arrived here to-day from the latter port, report that President Castro is making every possible war preparation. They add that orders have been issued to fire on the first French war vessel sighted cruising in Venezuelan waters. Castro, it is asserted, regards the whole French movement as a bluff and says he "will not be bluff," and will retaliate by prohibiting the importation of French goods into Venezuela.

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ed to the eastward two miles so as to absorb certain coal and ore locations by prospectors. Re-affirmations were made of last year's resolutions as to experimental farms and stations; of a Kootenay river reconnaissance; of a resident supreme court judge; of a Dominion department of mines, and game laws amendment; asking that the provincial legislature should help the provincial district to get more power for its mines; and urging the establishment of a provincial reserve of 50,000 acres for a park.

NELSON.
Karmis Ciosoki, a native of Galicia, Austria, aged about 52 years, was fatally injured Tuesday afternoon at the upper Bonnington Falls, and died in the Kootenay general hospital Wednesday. The deceased was employed by the West Kootenay Power and Light Company at the site of its new plant. He was working at a derrick about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when he missed his footing on the steel cliff and fell 75 feet to the solid rock below in the wheel pit. He was picked up as soon as possible and brought to this city. He was found to have suffered six compound fractures, as well as internal injuries. More than half the bones in his body were broken. Through the night he recovered consciousness, but only for a few minutes, and told his name, but died the following morning at 7 o'clock. Dr. Arthur coroner, examined the site and took evidence of all who saw the accident, and decided that no inquest need be held.

VANCOUVER.
George Henry, a lodger in the Sherman House, Water street, committed suicide by shooting himself in his back on Friday morning. He had been staying at the hotel for five or six days. It had been noticed for a day or two that he had acted strangely. Mrs. Cannon, wife of the proprietor of the Sherman House, was in a room nearby when the shot was fired, and she lost no time in giving the alarm. When the door was forced open, Henry was found dead. The deceased was a man about 37 or 38 years of age, and of excellent physique. He had been employed for some years as a guard in the Westminster hospital for the insane, but had recently been dismissed. The act was evidently premeditated.

Two members of the obahn gang took advantage of the mantle of mist in which parts of the city were enveloped Friday morning, to silently steal away. The two men are Arthur Holley, who was serving a sentence of three months and George Thomas, serving a sentence of two months. The gang was at work on Powell street, at the far east end. The two men had evidently come prepared to make a break away, as they had taken their own clothes with them from the jail, merely wearing the prison carb over them.

Plans for the improvement and extension of telegraph lines on the Pacific division of the C. P. R. submitted by James Wilson, the superintendent, have just been approved at the head office in Montreal, says the Province. "They will involve the expenditure of about \$20,000 within the next few months. Early in March the construction of a standard telegraph line from Spencer's Bridge to Nicola along the route of the railway now building into the Similkameen will be commenced. An iron wire is to be strung between Vancouver and Ashcroft and likewise a copper wire between Ashcroft and Revelstoke. With the completion of the latter undertaking the company will have two copper wire lines extending across the continent. The lines between Nelson and Castlegar, built in 1882, and the line between Proctor and Kootenay Landing, built in 1890, will also be standardized. This will include the erection of new poles. With a view of adding to the comfort of its guests, the C. P. R. will also shortly undertake the construction of a copper telephone circuit connecting all its hotels in the Rockies, comprising those at Banff, Laggan, Field, Emerald Lake and Lake Louise-Chalet. In this work a hundred and twenty-six miles of line will have to be built."

A. E. Knapp, a mining engineer from Seattle, has taken an option on three claims discovered by Messrs. L. T. Watson and I. Thompson on Moresby Island, one of the Queen Charlotte group of islands. The future decided upon was \$125,000. Mr. Knapp will go north to Moresby Island next month to look the claims over, and if they prove as rich as he expects, mining operations will be commenced at once.

The police made a raid Saturday night on a Chinese gambling joint on the corner of Fender and Carrall streets. The raid was led by Chief North. It proved completely successful and 78 prisoners were taken to the police station. The parade to the station afforded much amusement to numerous onlookers. The crowd of Chinamen were let out on half, which amounts to the aggregate of \$2,000.

The body of Joseph Beratchey was found floating in the inlet about a mile and a half east of the Great Northern cannery wharf, on Friday night. Beratchey accidentally fell off the wharf of the cannery company on December 22nd last, and was drowned.

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TESTIMONY GIVEN AT THE SEATTLE INQUIRY

Victoria Navigators' Evidence — First Assistant Engineer of the Valencia Tells of Bravery.

Several Victorians have been giving testimony before the Seattle commission inquiring into the wreck of the steamer Valencia. Capt. Cousins, of the steamship Queen, also gave evidence on Friday. He said: "When I arrived at Victoria at 1 o'clock in the afternoon I called up the Pacific Coast Company at Seattle and inquired into the wreck of the Valencia. J. D. Pharo asked me if I was sure it was the Valencia. I said yes. He ordered me to proceed to the scene, which was reached at 9 o'clock that night. It was too dark to do anything, and we lay over under the cape until the next morning. At 7 o'clock light we learned the wreck was 18 miles to the westward.

"We went in as close as possible the next morning. We met the tug-Cass, which went in about three-fourths of a mile, while we stood off about one mile.

"I did not dare to go nearer, as the weather was thick and often I could not see the shore line. Moreover, I spoke the steamship Topeka, Captain Patterson, who informed me that I was to proceed to San Francisco with passengers, the Topeka, remaining to pick up what survivors there were.

"I obeyed orders and returned to San Francisco. I could go no nearer the wreck than I did because of the sea, which broke 22 feet high, and because of the weather, which was very thick."

Capt. Campbell, mate on the Czar, stated that he did not think anything could be done for those on the wreck, and that he believed every man there was willing to do all possible, except to throw away their lives, to render assistance. Campbell stated that the masts and part of the deck-house were still standing when he was on the Czar. The seas were breaking over the vessel. One of the seas, Campbell says, went clean over her while coming in, and then again swept over her on returning from the cliffs.

Capt. J. W. Troup, Pacific coast superintendent of the Canadian Pacific, when called on, the stand, said that he had given up going to sea four years ago, but had many years' experience on the Vancouver Island coast. He said he had operated vessels on that route for several years. He thinks it would have been impossible to send in a small boat the Wednesday morning following the wreck. Tuesday morning the sea was calm, the weather clear and the sun shining. He was of the opinion that the case was hopeless regarding any attempts to send in life-boats.

Capt. S. W. Bucknam, British Columbia pilot for the past eleven years, offered testimony corroborating that of Capt. Cousins and the other steamship masters who had been on the stand.

Capt. Bucknam said: "I think Capt. Cousins used good judgment in not attempting to lower boats. Criticism regarding his actions appears to be general. I have boarded all kinds of vessels in all kinds of weather and I feel confident that I am qualified to pass an opinion concerning the ability of boats to live in the surf near the wreck. I would not have tried to send a boat to the wreck from Capt. Cousins' ship."

Capt. John Irving, who was on the Queen, said: "The wind was blowing between 20 and 25 miles an hour Wednesday morning. I am confident a small boat could not have lived in the sea near the wreck. I think Capt. Cousins used good judgment. There is no better seafaring talent on the Pacific coast than was represented in the boats attempting to approach the wreck that day, and I have not heard one of them criticize Capt. Cousins or any other navigator for what he did or did not do."

H. F. Bullen, secretary of the British Columbia Salvage Company, owners of the Salvor, said: "Those who have criticized Capt. Cousins did not know what they were talking about."

Thos. F. Carrick, first assistant engineer of the steamer Valencia, on his arrival at San Francisco, from the wreck, gave an interesting story of his experience. He said: "The last soundings I heard was about 11 o'clock that night, 50 fathoms of water. The water should get that coast and I as well as everybody else in the crew though we were well out at sea. The next I knew we had struck—but you have been told all that—how the Valencia jumped across the reef, swung and went stern-on the rocks. We fired a rocket and saw where we were—about 250 or 300 yards from shore. The well was sounded; we were making water rapidly and it was soon up to the engine-room. I want to say right here, that after that everything went as smoothly as a fire drill, as far as the crew was concerned. They were brave men, those who were on the Valencia. The passengers had seen the shore a short distance away and were not greatly alarmed. They thought if necessary they could be taken off readily when the sea went down; but the crew knew differently. The men had seen the broken water that piled white between us and the shore, and they knew that under every white swirl was a huge, jagged rock that must have fallen from the cliff that towered straight up for nearly 200 feet, with not a foothold at its base. A boat could not live there, and the boys knew it—knew that they were facing death—but they faced it bravely. Every man took his station at orders and obeyed them—there was no flinching. Most of them are dead now, but I am here to say it for them. "Captain Johnson was cool through it all. He ordered the boats lowered to the rail and properly fitted for launching, and there were provisions, water, life lines and all. As for the

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WATSON THEATRE

"A Victim of Circumstances" Will Be Presented at Fort Street Theatre To-Night.

With the production of "A Victim of Circumstances" at the Watson theatre to-night there will be inaugurated a week of comedy at reduced prices, 25 cents and 50 cents.

Manager Watson has been in Victoria long enough to know the class of plays which prove most acceptable to his patrons. He has discovered that they would rather laugh than cry any time, and he has selected one of the merriest farces on the stage to-day, "A Victim of Circumstances," to open the new week.

It contains a well defined plot, the comedy is clean and there will be a number of bright new specialties introduced.

Albert J. Watson will appear in the principal comedy role, and the entire company will appear to advantage.

As the reduced prices go into effect to-night it would be well to reserve seats early. All reserved seats downstairs will be 25 cents. Manager Watson wishes to impress upon his patrons that though he has made a reduction in prices this will not make the slightest difference as to the merits of his productions, and in the future, as in the past, they will be as good as honest effort and money can make them.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 2-3 a. m.—As the barometer remains low off the American coast and continues high over this province, the weather is fine throughout the North Pacific slope, accompanied by northerly and easterly winds and sharp frosts on the Lower Mainland and portions of Vancouver Island. Zero temperature is general from the Rockies eastward to Northern Ontario, and in the latter 25 below is reported.

Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday, Victoria and vicinity—Moderate northerly winds, generally fair and cold during the night.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate northerly and easterly winds, generally fair and cold at night.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.03; temperature, 27; minimum, 25; wind, 10 miles N.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 28; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Backersville—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 30; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.50; temperature, 56; minimum, 54; wind, 10 miles W.; rain, traces; weather, fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 4 below; minimum, 1 below; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, fair.

PASSENGERS

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Saturday—G. M. Greig, Mrs. Craig, G. H. Abbott, P. N. Dunham, T. Dixon, V. Straube, C. W. Straube, J. S. Cameron, Wm. Wilson, Henry Scithers, H. Ivan Stevenson, R. T. Reid, Miss Myrtle Reid, P. Byckman, T. J. Williams, J. J. Donnellan, J. M. Walton, J. P. Carlson, Mrs. Lombard, Viola Nillan, Mrs. H. G. Sealhorn, Thos. McConnell, Mrs. Grace Forrest, Bertha Lawrence, Jessie MacSmith, Jas. Poverty, Capt. S. M. Bucknam, T. S. Dickens, Mrs. Jarrett, Jas. Anderson, G. H. Sperat, H. F. Bullen, J. Campbell, Capt. J. W. Troup, Mrs. Miss Dunsmuir.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Sunday—J. H. Pollock, Jno. T. Savage, S. Porter, E. A. McArthur, Mrs. McAuloy, E. Penhallick, Sheriff Richards, J. W. Connors, E. Blake, Frank Richley, Thos. Shields, C. Brown, Carl Bergrens, Wm. Goslin, W. D. Edwards, G. M. Butterworth, Mrs. E. Rogers, Peter Peterson, Sam J. Hancock, S. A. Harvie, H. Wilson, A. Lombard, E. J. McCarthy, W. H. Langley, Mrs. Langley, M. W. Wuesthoff, Mrs. R. S. Dever, Wm. Wensley, W. A. Peters, W. A. Ward, R. F. Tomlin, E. B. Ledy, H. M. Hills, Gerlie Mitchell, Geo. L. Courtney, Capt. Jno. Irving.

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NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

P. N. Denison Will Read a Paper on "Earthquakes" To-Night.

At the regular meeting of the Natural History Society this evening P. N. Denison will read a paper on "Earthquakes." O. G. Hastings has undertaken the lantern illustrations in connection with it.

The following is the programme of the society for its next six successive meetings: Monday, February 13th, Capt. Parry, R. N., "History of the Naval Establishment at Esquimaux. The events leading up to, and the reasons why Esquimaux was selected as a port of call in the first place, must be of intense interest, more especially at the present time when Victorians are anxiously trying to guess the admiral's intentions in this part of the world."

Monday, March 5th, J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, "Hard Woods of British Columbia."

Monday, March 19th, E. A. Wallace, "Elementary Botany."

Monday, April 2nd, annual meeting. No paper.

Monday, April 16th, Dr. Hasell, "Comparative Anatomy."

Monday, April 30th, Rev. Canon Beaulieu, "Candle Worship," a subject upon which Mr. Beaulieu has devoted a great deal of time and study.

CONCERT TO-MORROW

A concert will be given by the United Methodist choir of the city in Semple's hall, Victoria West, to-morrow evening. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock by Wm. Manson, M. P. P. The following is the programme:

Glee—When Winds Breathe Soft... Webbe
Quartet—Farewell to the Forest... Mandelsham
Mrs. Wm. Hicks, Miss Deaville, Messrs. H. Ives and Wm. Hicks.

Song—A. Wheeler.
Reading—Miss Foxall.
Song—Mrs. Burnett.

Triple Quartet—Hunting Song... MacFarlane
Song—The Last Watch... Finstut
H. Ives.

Glee—Now by Day's Retiring Lamp...
Song—What Does Little Birdie Say... Harold Parsons
Miss Deaville.

Reading—Pigs Is Pigs... A. Wheeler.
Song—
Duet—Watchman, What of the Night... Bargaant
Messrs. H. Ives and W. Hicks.

plugs. I know they were all right, for I screwed them on myself. The water was coming over the break forward, and the captain ordered all hands and the steerage and second class passengers aft. He sent the steward into the cabin and the second cabin to muster all passengers, and send them to the social hall on the saloon deck.

After all had gone to the social hall he ordered the steward and several of the crew to inspect every passenger and see that all were provided with life belts. Where they had tube belts they were to take them off and new cork belts substituted. This was done—that I know—and the members of the crew took the tube belts for themselves.

"They say that boats might have been sent away the next day. I was placed in command of one boat, manned by nine men. I am the only one alive of that crew. We had hardly dropped into our places in the boat when a wave picked us up, hurled us against the side of the steamer and our boat crumpled like an eggshell. I was tossed about like a cork for ten or fifteen minutes before I caught a line from the steamer, and was dragged aboard. The others went down."

"One after another the boats were smashed by the sea, then recourse was had to the life rafts. They were launched and moored alongside and we tried to get the women and children into them, but they would not go. We carried or dragged them to the rail, but that was as far as we could get them. They would look over the side at the little rafts bobbing about, partly under water, and it frightened them worse than their condition on the hurricane deck of the steamer. The women would scream and go into hysterics when we tried to force them over the side. Others would plead piteously against being placed on the rafts. They thought there was a chance, and it seemed to us long as there was life."

The Marine Cooks' Association, Seattle, has undertaken to raise money for the relief of the family of Patterson. He left a wife and six children without any means of subsistence and in debt. The oldest boy is not yet 14. His head was hurt by a fall when he was five years old. The oldest girl, Annie, is nearly 12. The youngest child is not quite 4.

A dispatch from Milton, Ont., says: "News has been received here that John D. Clements, an old Milton boy, who was a member of the crew of the Valencia, was drowned in the disaster off Cape Beale. Clements was 22 years old and had run away from home about eight years ago. Most of the time he had been sailing on the steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. His parents still reside at the old home."

At the regular meeting of the Natural History Society this evening P. N. Denison will read a paper on "Earthquakes." O. G. Hastings has undertaken the lantern illustrations in connection with it.

The following is the programme of the society for its next six successive meetings: Monday, February 13th, Capt. Parry, R. N., "History of the Naval Establishment at Esquimaux. The events leading up to, and the reasons why Esquimaux was selected as a port of call in the first place, must be of intense interest, more especially at the present time when Victorians are anxiously trying to guess the admiral's intentions in this part of the world."

Monday, March 5th, J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, "Hard Woods of British Columbia."

Monday, March 19th, E. A. Wallace, "Elementary Botany."

Monday, April 2nd, annual meeting. No paper.

Monday, April 16th, Dr. Hasell, "Comparative Anatomy."

Monday, April 30th, Rev. Canon Beaulieu, "Candle Worship," a subject upon which Mr. Beaulieu has devoted a great deal of time and study.

A concert will be given by the United Methodist choir of the city in Semple's hall, Victoria West, to-morrow evening. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock by Wm. Manson, M. P. P. The following is the programme:

Glee—When Winds Breathe Soft... Webbe
Quartet—Farewell to the Forest... Mandelsham
Mrs. Wm. Hicks, Miss Deaville, Messrs. H. Ives and Wm. Hicks.

Song—A. Wheeler.
Reading—Miss Foxall.
Song—Mrs. Burnett.

Triple Quartet—Hunting Song... MacFarlane
Song—The Last Watch... Finstut
H. Ives.

Glee—Now by Day's Retiring Lamp...
Song—What Does Little Birdie Say... Harold Parsons
Miss Deaville.

Reading—Pigs Is Pigs... A. Wheeler.
Song—
Duet—Watchman, What of the Night... Bargaant
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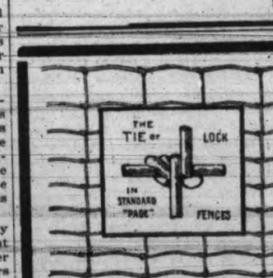
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Father Gilbert Simeon, of St. Bede College, and three students, were drowned Saturday while skating on the Illinois river, says a Lasalle dispatch. Several boys were standing together to have a photograph taken, when the plunged in the water and saved five boys, but on re-entering the icy river for a sixth student he became exhausted and he with three boys was drowned.

and the owners of the crushed hat to charge him with the murder.

INVENTOR'S RULE OF HEALTH.

Mr. Edison thinks people eat and sleep too much and do not work enough. At 60 years of age, his working day lasts from 5 a. m. to midnight, and he rarely takes more than five minutes for a meal. He lived for two months on four ounces of food at each of his three daily meals. This restricted dietary made him brighter mentally and diminished neither his strength nor his weight.



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He pulled him off his seat, breaking his right leg, and knocked him about so much that the wagon died from internal injuries. The police are now endeavoring to



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The report of the special committee on the life saving proposals for the coast will be the special business at the monthly meeting of the board of trade to be held to-morrow evening.

The regular review of Baxter Hive, No. 8, L. O. T. M., will be held to-morrow at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Willacott, 404 1/2 street, Victoria West. A full attendance is requested.

A meeting of the Victoria Farmer's Institute will be held at Gordon Head this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, when Mr. Logan will read a paper on "The Conservation of Soil." J. R. Anderson will give an address on fruit culture and other items of interest will be discussed.

Owing to the great increase of travel over the Northern Pacific road, an extra transcontinental train will be added February 15th, which will run between Seattle and St. Louis, Mo. This will make four transcontinental trains a day over this road. Two to St. Paul and two to St. Louis.

DR. H. B. F. CRISTION, who lectured here recently on beauty culture, has appointed MRS. WINYK, of 124 CHATHAM STREET, above Quadra, his representative for his French toilet articles, including soap trade mark DR. CRISTION. Ladies are invited to call at her home. MADAME L. M. MAYE.

Information wanted of Mrs. Ann Dooleen, formerly of the neighborhood of Clonmanen, Wicklow, Ireland. When last heard of was at Brockville, Ontario. Any information about her will be thankfully received by her son, Edward Carter, 9 Collierton street, Victoria, B. C. Worcester, Mass., papers please copy.

The gradual disappearance of fish in the Nanaimo river is attributed by the anglers of that locality to the fact that the left bank of the stream has been allowed to fill up with debris, thus preventing the fish ascending. The fishermen are making representations to Ralph Smith, M. P., with the object of having the obstruction removed, claiming that thereby the river will be restored to its old standard of the best fishing stream in the province.

The Atlas-Chalmers Co., which has an office in this city, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser, "has just received from its Milwaukee works a single shipment of 15 carloads of sawmill apparatus to be erected on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, in Mosquito harbor, Clayoquot Sound. This shipment consists of a complete sawmill, including boilers, Corliss engines, double cutting band mills, etc., together with an electrical equipment to be utilized in driving portions of the mill. This is the largest single shipment of sawmill apparatus ever brought to this port, and is now being transferred to the steamer."

The Savoy theatre deal has at last been put through, the house passing over to Messrs. Conside & Sullivan, the well known theatrical men, who control the circuit reaching from New York to San Francisco and embracing British Columbia. As already stated in the Times, Messrs. Jackson and Macdonell, who with W. Stevenson run the Savoy, have secured a lease on the Fullerton premises adjoining, and will operate their liquor license there. It is the intention of the new Savoy people to completely remodel the play house, and also to rechristen it. It will be known in future as the Imperial, and beginning at the end of the present month renovation operations will commence. The Imperial will be run as a first class vaudeville house, and will have the advantage of inclusion in the big circuit operated by the re proprietors, James J. Donnellon, Seattle, a theatrical architect, will have the alterations in hand, and he hopes to complete his contract by the end of April or early in May. A commodious, first class play house is promised, with the usual rates of the circuit prevailing—15c. and 25c.

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The Friendly Hip Association will hold their monthly meeting to-morrow morning in the market building at 11 o'clock.

The Selfish Group of the Organs of the Brain will be the subject of an address by Mr. Halliday at the meeting of the Phrenological Society to be held in Y. M. C. A. hall this evening.

A social will be held in St. Barnabas schoolroom on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Musical guessing competition and other amusements will be provided.

Arrangements have been made for a special car service after the Naval ball on Wednesday night. Cars will leave the Assembly hall at 1 a.m., from which transfers can be had for all points on the service.

Grand sacred concert and organ recital to-morrow (Tuesday) evening in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, commencing at 8 o'clock. Splendid programme. No charge for admission. Collection will be taken.

A committee will be in attendance at Waitt's hall on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock to receive names of new members to the Victoria Musical Society. A short rehearsal will be held for the concert fixed for March 25th.

Next Sunday the 4th anniversary of the organization of First Presbyterian church will be celebrated, the preacher for the occasion being Rev. Dr. Fraser, Vancouver. There will be a social on the following evening, given by the ladies of the church.

Michael Cooper has again been elected chief of the Sonkhees Indians by a vote of twelve to five. His opponent was Willie Jack. Michael resigned the chieftainship some time ago, but was persuaded to withdraw his notice. His friends rallied around him and again selected him chief.

Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, Vancouver, sends the following report from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending January 23rd, 1906: During this week 478 patents were issued to citizens of the United States: Canada, 3; Austria-Hungary, 2; Belgium, 1; England, 11; France, 2; Germany, 10; Mexico, 10; New Zealand, 3; Sweden, 1; Switzerland, 1; and Victoria, 2.

Adam Beattie Reid, a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, died at his residence, Shoal Bay, on Saturday, aged 47 years. Deceased was well known in Victoria, having been here for the past ten years, and identified himself prominently with church affairs. For some years past he has been secretary of the B. Wilson Co., Wharf street, but a wife and one child survive, and an aged mother in the old home in Scotland.

A musical treat is in store for all those attending the organ and sacred recital which will be given to-morrow evening in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. The following will take part in the programme: Mrs. Gregson, Miss Charlotte Spencer, Miss McCoy, and Messrs. J. G. Brown, W. D. Kinnaird, J. Griffith, and Jesse Longfield. There will be no charge for admission, but a collection will be taken up in aid of the mortgage fund.

The weird melodious music of Hawaii, as interpreted by the Royal Hawaiian quartette, should draw large audiences to the Grand this evening and for the remainder of the week, this troupe being one of the notable musical successes of vaudeville. In addition to the new week's bill contains: De Carlo and Stokes, comedians and horizontal bar performers; Reouble Sims, cartoonist and comedian; Cleveland Allen, in character sketch; Miss Wildermere in a new picture melody; and a fine series of moving pictures.

The members of the Mack-Swain Dramatic Company, which organization has just closed a remarkably successful week at the Vancouver opera house, came over by the Princess Victoria yesterday evening, and open at the Victoria theatre this evening an engagement that gives promise of being as successful as was the Vancouver run—when standing room was at a premium nightly. High grade melodrama, interpreted by capable actors, with all the accessories obtainable in a first class house, but at the popular price scale, is certain to command the patronage of the masses, and seats at the Victoria are likely to be at a premium all this week. The players of this company, headed by Miss Cora King Swain, are people of established reputation, and the various plays in the company's repertoire are modern and proved successes. The opening bill this evening will be the "Sidelwaks of New York," a melodrama, that is said to present the atmosphere of the American metropolis with great fidelity, while combining strong elements of comedy and heart interest in agreeable admixture.



AMUR'S ARRIVAL

Steamer Amur arrived from Skagway on Sunday. Capt. McLeod reports that disagreeable weather was experienced throughout the entire trip south. Very little fog was encountered, but the weather was thick and several times the steamer was forced to proceed under "slow bell." The officers of the Amur report that the steamer Portland, which was recently floated from her perilous position on Spitz Island reef, is now lying on the nearby beach, where temporary repairs are being effected. She will be towed to Seattle. Twenty-eight passengers came south on the steamer, the passenger list being as follows: G. V. Zinkan, E. R. Bennett, Olaf Olson, J. S. Fraser, H. D. Flush, G. Palmer, Henry W. Mack, E. Kirk, A. Neearie, J. A. Thomas, J. Creighton, O. H. Partridge, E. Doran, John Milne, John McFarley, W. J. Bland, D. D. Kimball, Thos. Ingram, S. J. Dambit, A. Myers, J. T. Laidlaw, Mrs. Clark, Z. Zarowsky, John McBride, W. Anderson and P. Moran.

When the passengers reached Skagway they found themselves completely shut off from the outside world by telegraph, for just when all were anxious to learn the fate of those on the Valencia they discovered "the wires down." The Amur therefore called at Juneau in order to allow passengers an opportunity of communicating with friends.

The Amur reports severe cold in the north. On the 24th of last month the rain from White Horse had to turn back because of storms, and it was even too bad to send out a rotary.

CUTTER SERVICE

A dispatch from Port Townsend says: "Captain Munger, of the revenue cutter service, and shipping companies have received the following letter from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury H. D. Taylor, dated January 25th, two days after the news of the Valencia wreck: 'It is the wish of this department to assist with the vessels of the United States revenue cutter service in every possible manner the vessels of the merchant marine in case of disaster or their being in distress, and I have therefore to request that whenever information is received of a disaster or of a vessel needing aid, the same be telegraphed at once to Capt. F. M. Munger, United States revenue cutter service, Port Townsend, Washington, or to either the commanding officer of the revenue cutter Rush, Sitka, Alaska; revenue cutter Perry, Astoria, Or.; or the revenue cutter McCulloch, San Mateo, Cal., as the circumstances of the case may demand.'

THE CARMENCITA CASE

Friday's San Francisco Chronicle says: "The jurymen in the case of Robert Tyson, W. J. Woodside and R. E. S. de Smidt, on trial for alleged violation of a United States statute in fitting out the Jennie Thielon, having heard the evidence, returned a verdict on her part under Mexican registry and renamed the Carmencita, then sending her forth on a sealing expedition, brought in a verdict of guilty as to Woodside and de Smidt, and discharged as to Tyson. The convicted men will be sentenced Monday."

FOR ALASKAN SERVICE

Two new vessels soon are to be built by the Alaska company, organized by Seattle, California and Eastern capitalists, and will be operated on the Kuskokwim river, Alaska, in connection with the steamer Nunivak, recently purchased by the company from W. D. Hoffus & Co., of Seattle, which is also to be operated on the Kuskokwim during the coming season." The larger of the new steamers will cost approximately \$20,000. She is to be fitted up especially for the accommodation of passengers and freight. The smaller vessel will be built according to the requirements for a vessel plying on the upper reaches of the river. Her draft will be light and at the same time her accommodations for freight and passengers will equal that of the other steamers.

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T. W. Lawson Will Hand Over Proxies to Committee of Chicago Conference.

Boston, Feb. 3.—Thomas W. Lawson left this city for Chicago to-day, armed with a large number of proxies made out to Mr. Lawson by policyholders of the Equitable, New York Life and Mutual insurance companies. It is Mr. Lawson's intention to deliver the proxies to a committee made up of governors of the Middle West and West proper, who have assembled at Chicago to discuss insurance reform. Before his departure for the West to-day Mr. Lawson declined to outline the policy he proposes to advocate, and he has also refused to disclose the identity of the governors to whom he will deliver his proxies and who are said to be in accord with him in his campaign for improvement in the method of conducting the affairs of insurance companies. A large number of clerks have been engaged at Mr. Lawson's office for several months for the sole purpose of collecting and classifying these proxies, and the number now in his possession is said to be sufficiently great to command a voice in the affairs of the three companies. It is expected that Mr. Lawson will return here next Wednesday.

THE LAZARETTO

The Lepers on Darcy Island Visited by Dr. Bryce, of Ottawa.

The usual monthly visit was paid to the lazaretto on Saturday by Sanitary Inspector Wilson, with supplies for the unfortunate who are spending their lives there in enforced isolation. Inspector Wilson was accompanied on this trip by Dr. Fagan, provincial health officer of the department of the interior, Dr. Young, M. P. P., Dr. King, M. P. P., Mr. Davis, and a newspaper man. The trip was made in the Sadic, and proved a pleasant one. It was the first visit of Dr. Bryce to Darcy Island.

No deaths were reported since the last visit, and the lepers were found to be as happy as could be expected. Their cabins were scrupulously clean, and the larder was well stocked, but nevertheless the new supplies were very acceptable. The poor fellows showed their industry by the amount of land cleared and the condition to which they have brought it, even at this early date. One of the unfortunate has been on the island for the past nine years, during which time the disease has slowly but surely done its work. The poor fellow is gradually growing worse. The chicken coop was found, as usual, well stocked.

The following regimental order has been issued by Lt.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment: "The regiment will parade this (Monday) evening at the drill hall at 8 o'clock. Dress, drill order. Staff and band will attend. By order, W. Ridgway Wilson, Capt., Act. Adjutant."

The funeral of Wm. Austin took place yesterday afternoon from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, Yates street. Rev. G. K. B. Adams conducted the services, and the following acted as pallbearers: John Littlewood, H. Siebenbaum, J. Norman, J. Pope, J. Jackson and T. Ross. There was a large attendance of friends.

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VICTORY FOR THE CIVILIAN ELEVEN

LOCALS DEFEATED THE GARRISON SATURDAY

Rival Association Football Teams Play Close Island League Match Sporting News.

The Association football match between the Victoria United and Garrison teams on Saturday afternoon at Work Point grounds was easily the finest exhibition of the season.

The importance of the game, therefore was generally acknowledged, and members of the respective teams set down to hard training.

While the Garrison team's line-up was practically the same as usual, Capt. Paley occupying his place at centre half, with the regular full backs and forwards supporting him, Victoria United presented an altogether different appearance.

The changes did not receive favorable comment at the outset, but a gradual alteration could not but have a weakening effect, and shook their heads dubiously when considering the Victoria team's chances of victory.

The first half was uneventful, but by no means uninteresting. To use a common sporting term, "there was no lack of ginger."

The forward divisions were too aggressive and the defence players too reliable to allow either side to obtain any advantage in the initial period.

It seemed as though the Victoria boys were unequal to the strain shortly after the continuance of play in the second half.

Naturally this goal stimulated the endeavors of the Garrison team. Their adherents lined the field in large numbers and encouraged their team in their own peculiarly vociferous manner.

For some time the game was more open than before. The tension was to some extent relaxed as the pace that both teams had kept up was at last beginning to have its effect.

were made by the Victoria United forwards, but most of these were repulsed. Within a few minutes of time the score was still even, but then Berkeley secured and was awarded a corner kick.

An effort was made by the Garrison to stampede the civilians by placing both the full backs among the forwards, but the strengthening of the Victoria United defence by the addition of Schwengers rendered such tactics futile.

The Centrals have succeeded in capturing the Intermediate championship. They defeated the Capitals in the final match on Saturday afternoon by a score of 3 goals to 1.

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TREATY WITH THIBET.

Signs of Hostility on the Part of Authorities at Lhasa.

From a source which renders the information deserving of attention, says the London correspondent of the Scotsman, I learn that British relations with Thibet are less satisfactory than might be desired.

It is surprising to find that every body is not doing to-day. "I have started to build four machines during the last twelve years, and when near the completion of each I have discovered an imperfection and destroyed the machines.

Mr. Holland said the machine that he was working on now was not as large as its predecessors. It has two sets of wings that measure sixteen feet from tip to tip.

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The Crimson Blind

By FRED M. WHITE

CHAPTER XX.—(Continued.)

It seemed impossible yet to realize that Christiana was dead, that he would never look into her sunny, tender face again...

"The room with the oak door opened and a big man, with a white bandage round his throat stood there with tottering limbs and an ugly smile on his loose mouth...

"Remain," he exclaimed, "I didn't expect to see you here, or—"

"Or you would never have dared to come," Henson said, hoarsely. "I heard your voice and I was bound to give you a welcome, even at considerable personal inconvenience...

"I am so glad you do not despise me," she whispered.

"Why?" he asked, looking at her. "If you only knew how I well, how I love you—"

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"Call me David," he said. "How nice my plain name sounds from your lips, Ruth and David. But I must hold my self in hand for the present..."

"Well, you have been so good and kind. We have done you a great deal of injury and you never blamed us. And you are just the man I have always pictured as the man I could love."

"Well, it was only one little kiss, and I'm not so much afraid of you as I was," Litterer replied, slowly.

"Ah! so you imagine that you have discovered something?" Litterer suddenly struggled between a prudent desire for silence and a disposition to speak...

"Yes," he said, with a note of elation in his voice. "I have made a discovery, but I am not going to tell you how or where my discovery is. But I've found Van Sheck."

"A shaft of white pallor came over Henson's face. Then his eyes took on a murderous, purple-black gleam. All the same, his voice was quite steady as he replied:

"I'm afraid that is not likely to benefit you much," he said. "Would you mind handing me that black book from the dressing table? I want you to do something for me. What's that?"

"There was just the faintest suggestion of a sound outside. It was Enid, listening with all her ears. She had not been long in discovering what had happened. Once the chastely farcical incubus was off her shoulders she had followed Litterer upstairs. As she passed Henson's room the drone of voices struck on her ears. She stood there and listened. She would have given much for this not to have happened, but everything happened for the worst in that accursed house."

"But Henson's last words were enough for her. She gathered her skirts together and flew down the stairs. In the hall Williams stood, with a grin on his face, pensively scratching his chin with a dry forefinger.

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"Don't ask questions," Enid cried. "Go and get me the champagne nippers. The champagne nippers at once. If you can't find them, then bring me a pair of pliers. Then come to me on the leads outside the bathroom. It's a matter of life and death."

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"So you bought that cigar case yourself?" he said.

"Indeed, I did," Ruth answered eagerly. "Of course I have long known you by name and I have read pretty well all your tales. I—I liked your work so much."

"David was flattered. The shy, sweet admiration in Ruth's eyes touched him. "And I was very glad to meet you," Ruth went on. "You see, we all liked your stories. And we knew one or two people who had met you, and gradually you became quite like a friend of ours—Enid and Chris and myself, you understand. Then a week or two ago I came seriously, Brighton with my uncle to settle all about taking the house here. And I happened to be in Lockhart's buying something when you came in and asked to see the cigar case. I recognized you from your photographs, and I was interested. Of course, I thought no more of it at the time, until Enid came up to London and told me all about the synopsis, and how strangely the heroine's case in your proposed story was like hers. Enid wondered how you were going to get the girl out of her difficulty, and I jokingly suggested that she had better ask you. She accepted the idea quite seriously, saying that if you had a real, plausible way out of the trouble you might help her. And gradually our scheme was evolved. You were not to know, because of the possible danger to yourself."

"At the hands of Roginald Henson, of course?"

"Yes. Our scheme took a long time, but we got it worked out at last. We decided on the telephone because we thought that we could not be traced that way, never imagining for a moment that you could get the number of your caller over the trunk line. Enid came up to town, and worked the telephone. Chris was in No. 218, and I brought the money."

"You placed that cigar case on my door?"

"Yes. I was wound up for anything."

It was I whom you saw riding the bicycle through Old Steine. It was I who dropped the card of instructions. It seems a shameful thing to say and to do now, but I—well, I enjoyed it at the time. And I did it for the sake of my friends. Do I look like that sort of a girl, Mr. Steel?"

David glanced into the beautiful shy eyes with just the suggestion of laughter in them.

"You look all that is loyal and good and true," he exclaimed. "And I don't think I ever admired you quite so much as I do at this moment."

Ruth laughed and looked down. There was something in David's glance that thrilled her and gave her a sense of happiness she would have found it hard to describe.

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"Don't you think we had better keep to business for the present?" Ruth said, demurely.

"Perhaps. There is one little point that you must clear up before we go any further. How did you manage to furnish those two big dining-room exactly alike?"

"Why, the furniture is there. At the top of the house, in a large attic, all the furniture is stored."

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"But they might have come to me openly."

"Again, they dared not for your sake. You know a great deal, David, but there is darkness and trouble and wickedness yet that I dare not speak of. And you are in danger. Already Roginald Henson has shown you what he can do."

"And yet he doesn't know everything," David smiled. "He may have stabbed me in the back, but he is quite ignorant as to what advice I gave to Enid Henson, which brings me back to the cigar case. You saw me looking at it in Lockhart's. Go on."

"Yes, I watched you with a great deal of curiosity. Finally you went out of the shop saying that you could not afford to buy the cigar case, and I thought no more of the matter for a time. Then we found out all about your private affairs. Oh, I am ashamed almost to go on."

"The dainty little face grew crimson, the hand in David's trembled.

"But we were desperate. And after all we were doing no harm. It was just then that the idea of the cigar case came into my mind. We knew that if we could get you to take that money it would only be as a loan. I suggested the gift of the case as a memento of the occasion. I purchased that case with my own money and I placed it with its contents on the doorstep of your house."

"Did you watch it all the time?"

"No, I didn't. But I was satisfied that nobody passed, and I was sufficiently near to hear your door open at the hour appointed. Of course, we had carefully rehearsed the telephone conversation, and I knew exactly what to do."

David sat very thoughtfully for some little time. (To be continued.)

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55 Johnson Street

There is but one judge of the Supreme Court at present in town—the Chief Justice. His Lordship is sitting in Chambers this afternoon.

The funeral of Henry Brakes took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Howard Street, the officers and members of the Ancient Order of Foresters attending in a body. The Foresters' burial services were conducted by F. Nelson, P. C. E., at the house and grave, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. Butters, S. Wilson, F. Williams, G. H. Bassett, W. B. Hall and J. Trace.

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A GIRL MISSING SINCE SATURDAY
NO TRACE WHATSOEVER SINCE BEEN POUND
Had Been in Delicate Health For Past Few Months and Suffered From Delusions.

A very mysterious case is now being investigated by the police, and up to the time of going to press without any definite clue. On Saturday evening, at 8.30, Maud Newberry, a girl of 18 years of age, left the house of Mr. Baines, on Yates Street, where she was employed as a helper. Since then nothing has been heard of her, despite the fact that every likely source of information has been tried. The girl always slept at the Baines', but every Saturday evening she visited her mother, 72 View Street, and generally spent the greater part of Sunday with her family. On Saturday evening last her mother and sister were down town at about the time Maud left Yates Street, and cannot say whether she called at the house or not, but they were in no wise uneasy about the girl until Sunday afternoon, when Mr. Baines called and asked if Maud were ill, as she did not return to his place on Saturday night. This was the first intimation Mrs. Newberry had of her daughter's disappearance, and no time was lost in instituting every inquiry possible. However, no trace of the girl could be found, and then the police were communicated with.

For the past few months Maud Newberry has not been in the best of health; she was somewhat anæmic, and had consulted a local medical man, who prescribed—Mrs. Newberry states—that the girl was much troubled by her ill-health, and had often said that a change of climate would do her good, and that she would like to get to Vancouver. She lately conceived the idea that she was under hypnotic influence, and asserted that when this influence was strong on her she could not resist it. Her family tried to dissuade her on this point, and to chase her in every way. Mrs. Baines was also very kind to the girl, and afforded her every opportunity of outdoor exercise. Almost daily Maud took the Baines' baby for a walk, a favorite resort being Beacon Hill. There was nothing in the girl's movements which suggested any unusualness in the Baines' household, and when she left on Saturday evening it was with the avowed intention of visiting her mother. At that time she wore an automobile cap of a very furry texture, that looked somewhat like a Tam-o'-shanter, a three-quarter jacket of grey material, and a red-stuff blouse. On the previous night she had drawn her month's salary, but this she deposited, as was her custom, in a money box at her mother's house, and there it remains, minus a trifling sum, which might have been spent on candies.

Detective Palmer was on the dock when the Vancouver boat left, and no person answering the description of the missing girl boarded her. It is possible that she may have gone by the Seattle steamer, but not probably, seeing that the girl had no money with which to pay her fare, and no luggage. She was one who had very few intimate friends in Victoria, although the family have lived here for the past two years, and was never known to have spent a night

away without the knowledge of the family. Maud Newberry is described as a girl of eighteen, tall, thin and blonde, with a small scar under the right jaw. When last seen she was dressed as above described.

ALASKAN BOUNDARY
The report that the Dominion government and the United States are arranging to mark where the boundary between Alaska and Canada runs along the 141st parallel is not correct. Favor Canadian Goods.
Yukon statistics shows a decrease in trade during the last fiscal year, but the balance of trade is largely in favor of Canadian goods.
Labor Candidates.
The secretary of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress says a scheme for placing labor candidates in the field at the next Dominion elections in all cities has been informally discussed, but nothing officially has been done. The labor men in Canada are inspired by the success of the Laborites in Great Britain.
Kicker's Reward.
Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, M. P. P., has kicked himself into the position of registrar of West Toronto, worth \$6,000 a year.
RIDING ACCIDENT.
Son of John Oliver, M. P. P., Had His Leg Broken.
A dispatch from New Westminster says: "Arthur Oliver, a son of John Oliver, M. P. P., suffered the breaking of his right leg on Friday by falling from his saddle and being dragged. The young man is 17 years of age. He had just mounted his horse, when the animal became frightened and jumped suddenly forward, throwing its rider out of the saddle. His right leg caught in the stirrup, and the bone snapped just above the knee. Fortunately, however, the horse did not run far, and the young man was able to get free without further injury." Mr. Oliver was taken to the Royal Columbian hospital, where the fractured member was set, and the patient is now getting along well.
J. Oliver, M. P. P., received a message this morning from the hospital saying that his son is progressing well.
F. Riechly, T. G. McCarthy, Thos. Shields, W. Gostin, G. T. Hancock, C. Brown, P. E. Paterson and G. W. Butcher, survivors of the wrecked Valencia, are over from Seattle to give evidence at the investigation now sitting to inquire into the cause of the catastrophe. They are all stopping at the King Edward.

A dispatch from Ucluelet says: "The body of a man believed to be that of J. W. Kerr, from Shasta, California, one of the victims of the Pass of Melfert wreck, has been found near Weck Bay. The body is very much decomposed, the features being nearly gone. The bust of a lady is tattooed on the right arm. The height of the body is nearly six feet, but it is not possible of identification.
There will be a public installation of the new officers of Triumph Lodge, No. 14, I. O. G. T., at their lodge room, Soldiers and Sailors' Home, Esquimalt, this evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Bro. T. W. Gladstone, of the Grand Lodge of Vancouver, will conduct the installation. The lodge doors will be opened to the public about 8.30. There will be a short programme and refreshments. Members of sister lodges are especially welcome.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
ILLUSTRATED POST CARDS—Illustrated catalogue free. Dominion Publishing Co., Montreal.
LOST—Gold watch and chain, last Monday, on Vancouver street, marked A. H. Howard at Times Office.
LOST—On Saturday night, between Brockton and Stanley avenues, via Cadboro Bay road, a brown leather bag containing work. Finder report to this office.
INFORMATION WANTED of Miss Maud Newberry, 18 years of age, who has been missing since Saturday, 3rd Feb., blonde and tall. Information sought by mother, at 72 View Street, Victoria.
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A meeting of representatives from the various churches, Young People's Societies, Good Templar Lodges, Royal Templars, W. C. T. U., and Loyal League of Temperance, etc., was held on Saturday afternoon to discuss the organization of a central committee in the interests of temperance. As an outcome of the gathering the United Temperance Council of Victoria was formed and a constitution drawn up. Rev. T. W. Gladstone being appointed president. After speeches from the various representatives endorsing the scheme and discussing various temperance projects, the council adjourned to meet again on the fourth Friday in the month.

DOWIE'S FAILURE.
Frank Statement by Elder Cossam in Zion City.
(Associated Press.)
Chicago, Feb. 6.—Followers of John Alexander Dowie were amazed yesterday to hear on the platform of Shiloh tabernacle in Zion City, the frank admission that the works of their leader had failed. The statement came from Elder W. H. Cossam in a sermon. The elder declared that his conception of Dr. Dowie was that of a man who had been permitted to look forward into the future and grasp the great principles which will govern the millennium and had attempted to apply them to present conditions.
"He has not succeeded," said the elder, "I hesitate, yet I will say it with love, realizing something of what the fullness of my statement means. He may not have measured up to the great vision which forced him to seek to establish some of the great idealistic principles in the Kingdom in Zion City. In this church and in his ideas which he thrust into business life, but he has not succeeded. It is not for me to say, but I know one reason why he failed. It is because the men and women whom he has had in the church did not acknowledge the money they put into their purses; instead of fulfilling promises which they gave to him in black and white, they lied to him, turned away from him and left him with only a few millions, whereas they promised him many. If he has failed it is because he stepped out into environments so strong and the place was so new that he did not know how to try it out fully."

FOUND MURDERED.
Night Watchman on Pile Driver Discovers With His Skull Crushed.
(Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 4.—Dead about two hours with his skull crushed in by an axe, John Athurs, a Canadian, employed as a night watchman on a pile driver, was found to-day in the cabin house of the raft in the Hudson river, 150 feet off West 12th Street. The cabin was in great disorder. An empty beer can, two bottles partly filled with whiskey, and many cigars and cigarettes were found, indicating that the watchman had entertained some one on board before the murder was committed. Two boys who rowed out to the pile driver discovered the dead man. No arrests have been made.

DIED.
REID—AT SEATTLE, Victoria, on the 2nd February, Adam Beattie Reid, aged 47 years, a native of Edinburgh, Scotland.
Funeral will take place from Calvary Baptist church on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at 3 p. m.

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CORNER'S INQUEST.
H. F. Bullen Explained Why Boat Had Not Been Lowered From Salvor.
An important statement was made by H. F. Bullen before the coroner's jury inquiring into the circumstances surrounding the deaths of the victims of the wrecked Valencia. There were but two witnesses examined, namely, W. Allan, of R. P. Rithet & Company, agents of the Valencia, who was asked a few questions regarding the ship and Capt. Johnson, and Mr. Bullen, who testified as to the work of the rescue ships. Mr. Bullen said in effect that no boat had been lowered from the Salvor for the reason that those aboard the Clear had been in close and reported no living person on the wreck. He believed that it was possible to lower a boat, although a heavy sea was running. There were no breakers except in close towards shore.
The inquest was adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, when it is expected the evidence of one or two survivors of the Valencia's crew, also of a number of passengers, will be heard.

PERSONAL.
Mrs. W. Ford, of Duncan, accompanied by Miss Olive and Edgar Ford, are spending a few days in the city visiting relatives and friends.
Mrs. Henry Cecil is down from Ladysmith to meet her husband, who is expected to arrive from England towards the end of the week. Mrs. Cecil is staying at the King Edward.
W. H. Langley and bride were passengers on the Princess Beatrice from Seattle yesterday.
Geo. L. Courtney, district freight and passenger agent, C. P. R., came over from Seattle yesterday.
M. Botterill, of Ashcroft, who has been in the Jubilee hospital for some time past, is sufficiently recovered to leave.
F. McE. Young, wife and son, leave on tonight's boat for their home in Atlin.
P. Purvis, postmaster at Salt Spring Island, is registered at the Dominion.
B. F. Tolmie, deputy minister of mines, returned from Seattle yesterday.

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Sale to commence at 2.30 p.m., and continue 7.30 p.m. It is absolutely essential that the stock be cleared out within the next six days, as Mr. Reid takes over the premises on the 10th instant for his new restaurant.
In the mornings and during the intervals of the auction goods can be purchased by private sale at very low prices.
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LADIES' DAY
The ladies' attention is specially drawn to next Wednesday's auction, when Children's and Boys' Clothing, Underwear, Shirts and General Furnishings, as also Blankets, Towels, etc., will be put up for sale.

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