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ANXIOUS TO HAVE QUESTIONS SETTLED

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN REGARDING BOUNDARY

Proposal That Direct Negotiations Be Opened Between Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefote.

Washington, Dec. 20.—It is expected that efforts will be renewed before long for the settlement of numerous controversies which have long existed between the United States and Great Britain...

Now that the British government has yielded the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and other points in the Ishmanian canal treaty, it desires to take up some of the other questions in which they have important interests involved.

Lord Lansdowne's desire to clear up all pending differences and have "a clean slate" before his present term as ambassador comes to a close.

Lord Lansdowne's desire to take up the question was expressed clearly in his note to Secretary Hay last spring, when the British government declined to accept the senate amendment in the first Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Recently Lord Lansdowne again has expressed in speeches the need of taking up the Alaskan boundary question.

The border issues, outside of that relating to Alaska, are those which long have existed and have created more or less friction.

Miss Hammersley, of Berlin, Ont., took an overdose of carbolic acid solution for sore throat, and died from the effects.

India and Persian Depot, 15 Broad St., Victoria.

MAY ISSUE ULTIMATUM.

Germany Preparing to Press Demands on Venezuela—Fight Between Troops and Insurgents.

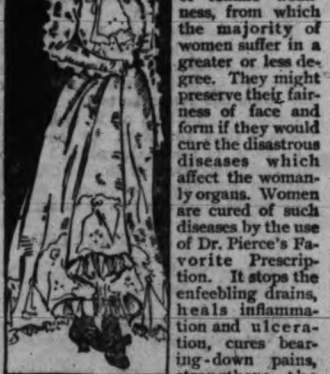
London, Dec. 20.—A dispatch to the Central News from Berlin says: "It is believed to be certain here that an ultimatum will be issued within three days and that an attack on Venezuela will follow directly after."

Commenting on the London Times' statement from Washington, that official circles there profess to believe that war between the United States and Germany is inevitable, the St. James Gazette, though it does not believe that such a disaster will be allowed to occur over a dispute in regard to the debts of Venezuela to Germany, says that if it does, there can be no doubt that English sympathies will be with America.

Four Hundred Killed. Colon, Colombia, Dec. 28.—The following dispatch has been received from Panama: "General Alban says that he has conclusive proof that the President of Salvador has been assisting the revolutionists."

By 11.30 the combined force drove the enemy away from Honda. In the evening the insurgents, on arriving at Carabobo, near Manizales, attacked the government troops in two wings. It was there that bayonets and machetes were freely used, as the insurgents' vanguard being surrounded, the government troops, with the aid of the rear-guard, succeeded in breaking the line and utterly routing the enemy.

How Will She End? Just budding into womanhood, so fresh, so fair and fine that we turn to watch her as she passes, she trips along the street a picture of health and beauty.



Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness. "I had been a great sufferer from female weakness," writes Mrs. M. D. Wallace, of Munster, Cook Co., Texas.

Advertisement for Eastern Godfish, Eastern Mackerel, Eastern Herring, Choice Potatoes, and Choice Onions. Hardsess Clarke, 86 Douglas St.

THE CHINESE COURT.

Preparing For Return of Emperor and Empress—Trying to Drive Out Foreigners.

Peking, Dec. 20.—A party of Manchurian princes, including Prince Su, collector of taxes on goods entering Peking, started Saturday to meet the Chinese court.

The program for the court's return to Peking provides that the Emperor shall precede the Dowager-Empress to this city in order that he may be enabled to meet the Dowager Empress with great honors at the station when she arrives.

Two thousand additional Chinese troops entered Peking last Friday. The Americans have mounted large guns upon the fortifications surrounding their legation.

A sensation has been created in Chinese official circles by a dinner given at his residence by the United States Minister.

While in Shanghai, I observed that the government was openly violating the provisions of the protocol. The great empire would shake off European domination.

IN MID-OCEAN. Umbria and Etruria Exchanged Christmas Greetings by Wireless Telegraphy.

New York, Dec. 20.—The Cunard liner Umbria arrived at port, this morning after a belated voyage from Liverpool and Queenstown, and reported an exchange of Christmas greetings by wireless telegraphy with the Campania on the 28th inst.

FLOODS IN THE STATES.

Great Destruction of Property—Landslide Caused Railway Wreck—Several Lives Lost.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 20.—A heavy rainfall has been continuous in this section since last evening. All the streams in the county are swollen greatly beyond their volume and Conestoga creek has overflowed its banks to an extent unknown in recent years.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 20.—Heavy rains for 36 hours here and at all headwater points on both rivers has produced a condition which will result in what may be called a flood stage in the Ohio river.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 20.—Incessant rain has fallen the past 48 hours throughout East Tennessee and threatens to do more damage to property than the disastrous flood of last May.

Railway Train Wrecked. Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 20.—A landslide on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, near Reems station, five miles south of Lynchburg, James river bridge, today caused a wreck in which the engineer, conductor and baggage man of a passenger train were killed.

Several passengers from the scene of the wreck say that the supply of coal to a depth of 4,000 feet was 90,200,000,000 tons.

TO DECIDE PLANS. Preparing Conference of Governors Opposed to Railway Combine.

Alameda, Ala., Dec. 20.—James Colington, aged 48, was found dead in his arm-chair early on Saturday by one of his sons, who was teaming home some furniture.

Advertisement for Plumbing and Heating services. A Gold Mine in Your Cellar. A SHERET, 102 Fort Street.



WINNIPEG NOTES. The Lascar Contest—Manitoba Legislature Summoned For January 10th.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—The Free Press says: "A well-known Conservative from Lisgar in the city yesterday, said that it was likely that there would be some interesting developments in the Dominion contest in that constituency."

THE COAL SUPPLY. Royal Commission Will Inquire Into the Resources of Britain.

London, Dec. 20.—A royal commission has been appointed to inquire into the coal resources of Great Britain.

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WANTED—A girl about 17 or 18, to assist in light house work. Apply A. B. C., the Times.

WANTED—Respectable girl, for general house work in small family. Apply 126 Belleville street.

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FOR SALE—English and Irish setter pups. Apply Thos. Plimley, Bicycle Store, Broad street.

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PERFUMES, ATOMIZERS, EBONY GOODS.

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THEY HAVE PASSED THE EXAMINATIONS

LIST OF THOSE WHO ENTER HIGH SCHOOL

The Standing of the Successful Pupils in Victoria, Vancouver and the Interior.

The following are the successful candidates at the recent High school entrance examination:

Table listing names and scores for various schools including Victoria Public Schools, Nelson Public School, and Rossland Public School.

Table listing names and scores for the 'NEW YEAR'S GIFTS' section.

The examiners for the above are Superintendent Robinson, Inspectors Wilson, Netherby and Stewart, and Messrs. Geo. Robinson and J. K. Henry, of the Vancouver High school.

ELECTRICITY AND FIRES.

To the Editor.—In your editorial last night you assert, without any saving clause whatever, that the unfortunate fire which occurred on Saturday night at David Spencer's store owed its origin to electric wires.

A. MCGREGOR & SON BUILDERS' HARDWARE, CARPET SWEEPERS, CARVING SETS, TABLE CUTLERY, SHEARS, RAZORS.

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Arrivals from Duncan on the noon train today brought further particulars of the fire which destroyed the Quanchan hotel at that place yesterday. They are substantially the same as received yesterday, but the story of the origin of the conflagration is somewhat different.

Midnight watch services will be held this evening in the Centennial Methodist church. A special programme of music has been arranged.

I must apologize for taking up so much of your valuable space, but as statements of the kind made in last night's Times tend to have a damaging effect on our company's business, I could not refrain from setting the matter in its true light, both before yourself and the general public.

Dear Sirs—We have materially assisted in working up your present very large business in Calgary through being able to pay the borrowers their money almost as soon as they had signed their papers.

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We have for many years imported direct all the leading brand HAVANA CIGARS, and are at present giving this branch of business especial attention.

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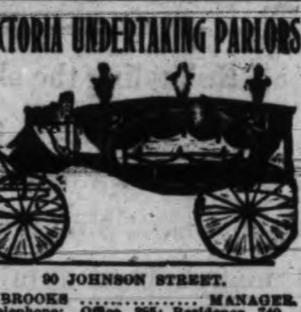
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New Good Opened Since Christ Calendars and New Year's Cards AT T. N. HIBBEN & Co.

The White House Salvage Sale

Owing to the insurance companies not having completed their work we are compelled to postpone the sale for a few days. Due notice will be given.

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