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Measure Passed Last Night
and Now Ready for
Ratepayers

After placing themselves on record as of the opinion that the by-law providing an expenditure of one and a half million dollars on the Sooke lake project is faulty and therefore is an improper measure to submit to the judgment of the people, the members of the city council who had been objecting on these grounds withdrew their amendment at last night's special meeting of the council, and the by-law was put through its last stages and will now be advertised.

On the by-law being reintroduced Ald. Langley, the mover of the amendment, said that in view of the attitude assumed by the mayor that if the amendment was carried he would veto the same, he and his seconded had come to the conclusion that such a course would only end in a deadlock, and that this ought to be avoided. They desired that the people should be given an opportunity to vote on the by-law. They (the dissenting members of the council) wanted more light on the intent and meaning of the by-law, but the mayor apparently thought more light unnecessary. The amendment would therefore be withdrawn. At the same time, speaking for himself, he wished to say that he did not withdraw one word in the dark. "We don't know where we are going, but the ratepayers under the terms of the by-law will be committed to the project for good or ill," Ald. Langley concluded.

Ald. Bannerman believed there were just two reasons why the Esquimalt waterworks by-law was defeated. One was because the people did not know what the cost would be and the other because they did not know whether they would get a sufficient supply. The first reason would apply with equal force to the present measure. The council is bound to submit a by-law providing for the acquisition of Sooke lake, but the mayor had asked the present measure into the council without first referring it, as it should have been, to the legislative committee, and the aldermen never had an opportunity of studying it.

Concerning clauses one and two, giving the water commissioners power subject to the council to acquire sufficient land around the lake for the purpose of insuring the cleanliness of the water, and to make such necessary plans, etc., as are necessary, Ald. Bannerman asked the mayor how much land it is estimated will have to be appropriated.

His worship answered that he declined to say.

Ald. Bannerman pointed out that if the watershed, not only of the lake, but of Sooke river and tributaries are submitted the question if a board of control were specified instead of commissioners.

Mayor Morley said the board of control system as offered by the government was no good. Vancouver had turned it down on that account and

AVIATOR GRACE IS BEING LOOKED FOR

Was Blown Out Over Goodwin
Sands While Crossing
Channel

(Times Leased Wire.)
London, Dec. 23.—Hoping that the broad wings of his Wright biplane may have kept him from sinking in the Goodwin quicksands, rescue parties, searching for Cecil Grace, the aviator, lost yesterday while attempting to re-cross the English Channel after a successful flight from Dover to Calais, are preparing to search the treacherous sands to-day. The search is extremely difficult and the rescuers, with ropes and long planks, are hastening to the Goodwin sands, ready to give aid if possible to the young aviator.

Grace was blown from his course by an adverse air current. When news of the accident was received, rescue parties were sent out in all directions, and the continental coast, from Rotterdam, Netherlands, to Havre, France, and the English coast from London to Portsmouth, were patrolled. No trace of the birdman was found. It was reported late yesterday that Grace's lighted over the Goodwin quicksands, and it is feared that he may have been forced to alight.

Grace wore a cork jacket, and if he fell in the sea, could have kept afloat for some time, but it is feared that if he was in the water he could not have survived until daylight. A number of small craft, put out this morning searching for the aviator or his body, which, it is believed, the cork jacket would have kept afloat.

ROLL OF DEAD IS PLACED AT 41

STOCK YARDS FIRE IS STILL BLAZING FIERCELY

Fifteen Chicago Firemen, in
Addition to Known Dead,
Are Missing

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Reports that a dozen stock yard laborers perished in the fire yesterday which killed more than thirty Chicago firemen caused great crowds to gather to-day about the smoking ruins of the beef warehouse of Nelson Morris & Co., at the Union stock yards, to watch the firemen who are still digging in the wreckage for the bodies of their comrades. Forty-three engine companies and three truck companies are still at the fire. The blaze is smouldering in the ruins and streams of water are being poured in to keep the fire from breaking out afresh. Most of the firemen, however, are searching the ruins, lifting the heavy girders and the mass of masonry that crushed out the lives of the fire fighters.

The estimate of dead to-day is placed at 41, not including the stock yards workmen reported killed. There are 26 known dead, and 15 firemen are missing. It is believed they perished with their comrades.

The names of the members of the companies called to the fire have been carefully checked over by Acting Fire Marshal Seyferlich. The search of the ruins will be continued until the bodies of the men reported missing have been found or until they are accounted for in some other way.

The following is a revised list of the dead, so far as the bodies have been recovered: James Horan, fire marshal; William J. Burroughs, second assistant fire marshal; Herman Brandenberg, lieutenant; Patrick E. Collins, captain; Thos. Costello, pipefitter; Nicholas Crane, truckman; Edward J. Danis, lieutenant; Nicholas Doyle, truckman; Andrew Dymurran, fire watchman; Charles Leach, clerk Chicago Junction railway; Charles Moore, truckman; Albert Moriarty, truckman; George Moursakie, pipefitter; Edward Schoenest, truckman; William F. Weber, pipefitter; George Enthof, pipefitter; W. G. Sturm, lieutenant; Peter Powers, truckman; Michael McInerney, truckman; Ralph Resaph, pipefitter; Dennis Doyle, captain; Frank Walters, pipefitter.

The fire itself has proven stubborn. Although it was thought to have been under control yesterday morning it broke out again last night, and to-day the weary fire-fighters are still working to prevent a fresh outbreak. It is feared that a strong wind would fan the flames to new life.

The warehouse and tallow house are still burning but it is now believed that with no change in the wind there is little danger of the fire spreading to the other parts of the stock yards.

A roll call of the entire fire department probably will be taken some time during the day. At first it was planned to call the roll this morning, but Acting Marshal Seyferlich decided that fire fighting was the first duty and the men are all on duty.

Flags on the public schools and other public buildings are at half-mast to-day out of respect to the dead firemen. A dozen movements to raise funds for the widows and orphans of the firemen are under way.

Three Burned in New Orleans.
New Orleans, La., Dec. 23.—In a fire that caused \$200,000 damages in the Baronne street business district and heavily damaged the new Shubert theatre, three negroes were fatally burned to-day. For a time the fire threatened the entire district, but finally was brought under control.

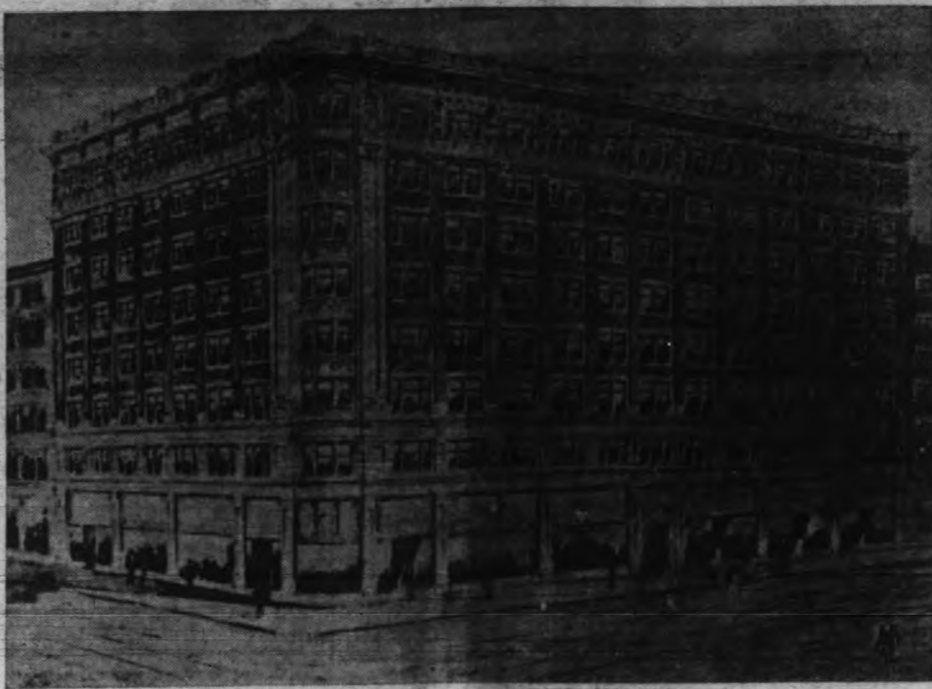
FURTHER EFFORTS TO AVERT STRIKE

Engineers and Railway Man-
agers Confering on New
Peace Proposals

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Commissioner of Labor Chas. P. Nell to-day presented the representatives of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers with a supplementary peace proposition, and a new conference is under way to prevent a strike of the engineers on 61 western railroads. When questioned concerning the new offer, Grand Chief Engineer Stone said:

"This is no time for talk. I will say that the railroads must offer more than they have thus far or there will be a fight.

"We will not arbitrate the whole matter of increased wages. If the railroads want to arbitrate between their latest offer of 10 per cent and our wage demand of 15 per cent increase, a basis of agreement may be reached. If they persist in refusing concessions there will be trouble."



NEW FIVE SISTERS' BLOCK.

Sketch of building to be erected on corner of Fort and Government streets, plans for which have been forwarded to England for the approval of the directors of the estate, by Thomas Hooper, architect.

PICKETING CHARGES DROPPED BY STATE

Los Angeles Brewery and Metal
Workers Not to Be
Prosecuted

(Times Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 23.—Cases against 79 men charged with violating the anti-picketing ordinance will not come to trial. The cases were dismissed to-day by Police Judge Frederickson at the instance of Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Reeve. The reason given for dropping the cases, according to Reeve, lies in the fact that many of the witnesses he had intended to call have left the city.

There remain but 50 cases against persons accused of violating this ordinance, but few of these, it is said, will come to trial. Five of them have been continued to future dates. The men were arrested during the recent brewery and metal workers' strike.

ELECTION FRAUDS.

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Two hundred and seventy-two indictments were returned to-day in connection with the Adams county alleged election frauds, bringing the total number of true bills returned in the case up to 631.

One hundred of these indictments contained counts against voters. The remainder charged hoodlums and affected those who would be benefited by the alleged fraudulent ballots. Judge Blair, who has been prominent in the investigations, asserted that 1,500 Adams county citizens would be disfranchised before the probe has been completed.

BRYAN'S FOUR CHOICES.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—Four possible democratic candidates for president in 1912 are named for a second time William Bryan, who disclaims any intention of attempting to secure the nomination for himself in to-day's issue of the Commoner. The four men he suggests as good presidential timber are Mayor Gaynor of New York, Governor Folk of Missouri, Governor-elect Wilson of New Jersey and Governor Harmon of Ohio. The Commoner is careful not to indicate which of the four men it prefers.

DANGER OF LIGHTS UPON XMAS TREES

Fire Chief Makes Rounds of
Stores—Beware of Fires
Christmas Night

Fire Chief Davis, of the Victoria fire department, issued a warning this morning advising all persons to take great care that the highly inflammable materials so much in evidence at Christmas time be kept away from all sources of fire. Christmas trees, which are oftentimes laden with burning candles on the big night, are especially dangerous. The trees themselves, which contain much kerosene, are easily set ablaze. Then the cotton, burlap and shavings used for packing purposes often start serious fires. Chief Davis this morning made his rounds of the stores on Government street and gave notice that Christmas foliage must not have lights on it, and that all Christmas decorations must be kept clear of lights.

CHURCH AND THE STATE IN SPAIN

CORTES PASSES BILL FOR THEIR SEVERANCE

Government Will Follow This
Up With Measures of
Social Reform

(Times Leased Wire.)
Madrid, Dec. 23.—Despite Carlist and Clerical attempts to impede the progress of the measure, the Cortes to-day passed the famous "Padlock bill," virtually providing for the separation of Church and State in Spain and restricting the establishment of religious orders.

Treasurer Canalejas did not notify the opposition that the bill would be considered, but quietly directed the anti-Clericals and members of the government party to be in their seats. When sufficient votes were on hand, the measure was presented and passed. Perfectly aware that the passage of the bill will cause the Church to appeal to the people to overthrow the government, the premier has announced that he will proceed with further anti-Clerical legislation and seek the adoption of a plan for the improvement of the condition of the Spanish masses. Friends of the premier declare that the friends as well as humanitarian interests demand this action. It is asserted that Canalejas believes that if, upon the overthrow of the power of the Church, the condition of the people is improved, they will attribute the betterment to the abolition of the Church's power and will be headless of the Clerical outcries against the administration.

A NERVOY ROBBER.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 23.—After robbing, single-handed, nearly a score of passengers on an eastbound Southern Pacific train within the El Paso city limits, an unidentified bandit is believed to have made his way into Mexico. "The robber," it is hoped, will be captured. The man swung aboard the train as it was leaving the Stanton Street station here last night. Drawing a revolver, he compelled a porter to walk with him through two cars and search the passengers he pointed out. The outlaw secured \$130 in cash and two railway tickets. The robber then ordered a brakeman to stop the train and jumped off, disappearing in the darkness.

HANGING NO DETERRENT.

Pentitentiary Head Advises Life Sentence With Possible Pardon.
Salem, Ore., Dec. 23.—"It does not appear that the increasing number of executions in this state has operated as a deterrent of the crime of homicide," says Supt. C. W. James, of the Oregon state penitentiary, in his annual report to the governor, just made public, "and as a result of my investigation, observation and experience during the past eight years, I am fully convinced that capital punishment should be abolished.

"Life imprisonment with restricted powers of pardon would prove equally, if not more, effective in protecting society against those who commit the crime for which capital punishment is the penalty and would not only be more in accord with the spirit of our constitution but more in harmony with the progressive spirit and advanced conditions of the present century."

MILITARY FUNERAL FOR FIRE CHIEF

Chicago Will Honor the Men
Who Died at Their
Post of Duty

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Chief Fire Marshal James Horan, head of the Chicago fire department, killed yesterday in the falling walls of the beef warehouse of Nelson Morris & Co.'s plant, will be buried by the city with military honors. Though the time of the funeral has not yet been set, arrangements have been partially completed and the dead chief will be given the honors usually paid to the fallen leaders of armies.

The city will make a demonstration in his honor and the First Regiment, Illinois National Guard, the crack regiment in the city, will act as special escort when the body is carried through the streets to its burial place. The city will also take a hand in the funeral of the other fire-fighters who were killed when their chief was crushed under the falling masonry. Two hundred dollars, to defray the expenses of burial, will be given to the family of each of the dead firemen.

SAYS SITUATION QUITE SERIOUS

ALD. BANNERMAN ADVISES CAUTIOUS POLICY

Debate on Questions Proposed
to Be Submitted to
Referendum

By a majority vote the city council, at its special meeting held last evening, decided to strike from the list of questions which a number of petitioners ask to be submitted in the form of a referendum at the forthcoming municipal elections, those relating to government by commissioners and a new city hall. The list of questions as originally submitted by the petitioners was as follows:

"1. Shall the business of the city be administered by elected commissioners, leaving to the council matters of legislation and policy only?

"2. Shall improvements be exempt from taxation?

"3. Shall provision be made for the building of a new city hall to include a hall for public meetings?

"4. Shall the police and license commissioners be elected by the voters of the city?

"5. Shall saloon and bottle licenses be abolished and licenses for the sale of liquor by retail be granted only to hotels complying with the statutory requirements?"

On taking the petition from the table the mayor asked if it was the wish of the board that the referendum be submitted. If so, quick action was imperative. In his opinion the questions were very simple, and the council should have no hesitancy in the matter.

Ald. Fullerton moved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Ald. Raymond, in respect to clause one, reminded the board that a motion had been passed earlier in the year asking the legislature to give the council wider powers for the board of control plan, and that being the case it might be better to await the action of the legislature.

Ald. Langley protested against the manner in which the petition had been introduced. "People should know what they are asked to vote on and the proposed questions were not sufficiently informative. In respect to the first question he was sure that, if it were submitted, 90 per cent of the people would be simply voting in the dark—they would not know if the election of commissioners implied that there was to be a city council or not. It was all very well to bring the petition in at the last moment, but it was not the proper thing to do if the board was to be expected to give the matter the serious consideration it deserved. There had been ample time for the petitioners to bring these questions forward earlier in the year, but they had not chosen to do so. If they had even brought them in a month ago the council would have been able to put the questions to the electors in intelligible form.

Ald. Bishop thought that the matter should be left over for the consideration of the incoming council.

Ald. Raymond said that as far as he was concerned he would be willing to cure—and it would be useless to practice Sooke lake unless the other waterworks are controlled—it would cost \$250,000, as some 34,000 acres would have to be acquired.

Clause three reads that the water commissioner shall from time to time

(Concluded on page 3.)
**MOTHER DEAD AND
DAUGHTER MAY DIE**
Mysterious Poisoning in What
Was First Thought a
Starvation Case

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, Cal., Dec. 23.—Mrs. William Whitelaw is dead, and her daughter, Miss Lavinia Corey, both victims of poisoning, is critically ill, while the police are investigating what they believe is a mysterious murder. The two women, found yesterday and carried from their home to a hospital, were supposed to have entered into a starvation compact. Physicians, after an examination, declared that both had been poisoned.

Mrs. Whitelaw died early to-day. Her daughter, who was unconscious when the two women were taken from the house, has so far recovered as to be able to talk. She said she was poisoned by her mother, but she believes that the poison was sent in by outsiders, who planned to kill both her mother and herself. The police, Miss Corey says, was in pork gravy, which was prepared by Mrs. Whitelaw. Both partook of the gravy.

The authorities have begun an investigation of the case. They have two theories. One is that Mrs. Whitelaw was weary of life and decided to kill herself and daughter; the other is that the poison was sent by some one who desired to murder both women. The latter theory finds more support.



BERKELEY UNIVERSITY RUGBY TEAM

The members of the Berkeley University Rugby football team arrived from California last night to play a series of matches with the Victoria Rugby Club. Following are the principal members of the Berkeley team with their positions: 1, Peart, centre-three-quarter; 2, Evans, wing-three-quarter; 3, Schaeffer, coach; 4, Jordan, back; 5, Jay Dwigins, full back; 6, Chet Allen, outside five; 7, Monis, half-back; 8, Elliot, (capt.), inside-five; 9, Yola, assistant trainer; 10, Burdett, forward.

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- CROFT'S IMPERIAL PORT, per bottle.....\$2.00
- CROFT'S 4 DIAMOND PORT, per bottle.....\$1.50
- GRAHAME'S OPORTO, choice.....\$1.00
- CALIFORNIA PORT.....50¢
- NIAGARA FALLS PORT.....35¢
- V. O. P. SCOTCH.....\$1.75
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—William Cassidy was sent to jail from the police court this morning for two months after having been convicted of vagrancy.

—All veterans of the Fenian raids of 1856 and 1870 will please call at the office of Lieut. H. A. Green, 524 View street, as early as possible.

—Miss Lena Duthie gave a very pleasing recital at the Victoria theatre last evening to a small house. Miss Margaret Daniel assisted at the piano. Miss Duthie gave a number of songs and recitations in costume, the programme being so meritorious as to warrant a much better patronage.

—The chief of police is in receipt of a letter from George Campbell, druggist of Vancouver, who encloses a telegram from Margaret Murray of Petrolia, Ont. Miss Murray inquiring for her brother, believed to be in Victoria. The wire read: "Find W. S. Murray; mother very ill; come home; answer." It is dated December 21.

—In the Saanich police court this morning a man giving the name of James Clarke, was charged with vagrancy and was remanded till to-morrow for medical examination. The man was arrested in the Saanich district as a result of several reports reaching the constable that Clarke had been begging from people on the roads. When searched by the constable after arrest Clarke had no belongings beyond his clothes and 50 cents.

—Harry S. Matthews, a colored man, proprietor of a coffee house next to the California hotel, Johnson street, was before the police court this morning charged with stabbing Michael Hayes with a knife. The assault took place last night. Matthews pleaded self-defence. Hayes was treated for his wounds at the Jubilee hospital. He had four cuts in his scalp. After Hayes had given evidence this morning Matthews was remanded until to-morrow. The assault occurred over a dispute in regard to payment for coffee last night.

—A very successful musical recital was given on Monday evening last by the pupils of Benedict Bantaly at his well appointed studio on Fort street. The parents and friends of those performing, who were privileged to attend, expressed great pleasure and satisfaction at the marked progress displayed since the last recital. The young musicians, one and all, showed the effects of careful and painstaking training by their gifted master. The programme was of a very high order.

—Mrs. Annie Mary Smith died at the St. Joseph's hospital this morning. The deceased lady was a native of Ohio, aged 48 years. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband and four children—two sons and two daughters—one of which is a baby four days old. She was the sister of A. Thornton, formerly proprietor of a grocery store at the corner of Humboldt and Burdette avenues. The funeral will take place from the Victoria undertaking parlors on Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, thence to Christ Church cathedral a quarter of an hour later. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery.

TELLER'S STEALINGS.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 22.—President Thorne of the National Bank of Commerce, admitted to-day that the figures he gave out yesterday stating \$75,000 to be the amount of Paying Teller Frank Fuhrman's alleged embezzlement were incorrect. He stated to-day that the amount is now \$25,117. In banking circles there is a belief that the total amount of Fuhrman's alleged peculations will reach \$100,000.

E. White, accompanied by his wife and daughter, returned Wednesday from an extended visit to Seattle.

QUEEN IN FROM 'FRISCO.

Additional supplies for the Christmas season were brought north from San Francisco last night by the steamship Queen, Capt. Geo. Zeh, of the Pacific Coast steamer. She had an unusually heavy cargo for Victoria and a big passenger list, including the Berkeley Rugby team. Those who disembarked here were as follows: J. R. Ferris, wife and two children; J. D. Ross, M. Glennon, Lena Larrison, Bessie Larrison, Mrs. K. Cary, Mrs. A. Cary, A. D. Fanlander, G. E. Boniface, A. J. Thralls, G. S. Mickeljohn, Mrs. Jane French, Jas. G. French, Ivan French and child, Frank T. Mithoy, J. T. Dougan, C. E. Evans, H. P. J. G. Madril, W. K. Peirce, J. Menden, H. Fleming, J. Emerson, S. Matullson, A. Deering, R. Jordan, W. King, G. Baker, S. Price, C. S. Wheeler, Charles Niz, S. Allen, M. Farmer, Mrs. H. T. Mitchell, L. Leavelle and H. H. Fulton.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(An automatic weight bell will be operated during fog without further notice, from a concrete beacon situated on the north side of First Narrows, Vancouver harbor, opposite Prospect Point lighthouse. The bell will give one blast every five seconds.

The fog bell on the beach at the north side of the First Narrows, Vancouver harbor, is now in operation during foggy weather. Victoria, 23rd December, 1910.

MARINE NOTES

Concluding a fast trip to Skagway and return, the C. P. R. steamer Princess Beatrice reached port this afternoon with a number of passengers and a good cargo.

Work on repairs to the Sandhead lightship has been completed and she will be towed back to her moorings in a few days. A new stem has been fitted to replace that battered to pieces through a recent collision.

To-morrow morning the Pacific Coast steamship Umattila will leave here for San Francisco. She is taking a full passenger list and has a good deal of freight.

OXFORD COUNTY INQUIRY.

(Special to the Times.) Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 22.—At the graft investigation yesterday two witnesses, E. E. Butler and Sheriff Brady, swore that John Young offered large sums to secure his appointment as jailer, a job worth \$1,000. Butler said that he was offered \$1,000 cash, which he refused. Young went into the box himself and stoutly denied the allegations.

EXPERTS MAY INVESTIGATE.

(Special to the Times.) Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 22.—Representatives of the Miners' Union of Bellevue, Alta., reached the city last night and will ask the Attorney-General to appoint a commission of experts instead of a coroner and jury to investigate the causes of the recent mine disaster. The mine owners are willing that this be done.

YOUNG GIRL'S SUICIDE.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 22.—The body of Miss Jessie Wilcoxson was found in her room at her father's home early to-day. The girl had killed herself by turning on the gas in her room. It is believed that Jessie, who was only 17, killed herself because she had quarrelled with her sweetheart, George Colizza, a barber.

Miss C. Stoddart, Wycliffe, B. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Hay, View street, for the holidays. Miss Stoddart has been teaching school in Wycliffe for three years.

MAY BE AUTHOR OF QUAKER CITY FIRE

Workman Says He Wished Revenge—Police Think He is Unbalanced

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22.—John Cornegia, a Pole, surrendered to the police this afternoon, stating that he started the fire in the Priestling Leather company's factory in which 23 lives were sacrificed. He said the firm refused him employment and he desired revenge. The police are holding him pending an investigation. They state he may be mentally unbalanced.

BASEBALL PLAYERS FOR NORTHWESTERN

Murray's Position Causing a Lot of Speculation in Portland

Portland, Ore., Dec. 22.—Will Tommy Murray be the change catcher of the Portland Pacific Coast League Club or the regular catcher of the Northwestern League Club? This question is causing a lot of talk around the sporting circles here to-day.

With Waring and Bradley coming from the Cleveland club, the Beavers will have the first class backstops, and one of them will have to be shipped to the Northwestern League Club, provided waivers can be secured.

Waring and Bradley are both first class catchers and are harder hitters than the fitsburg boy, and it looks as if he would be the one that would go to the Northwestern aggregation.

McCredie asked for waivers on Murray not long ago, and several of the coast league teams refused to let the promising young catcher go. McCredie will try to secure waivers on him when the annual meeting is held next month.

HAMAR GREENWOOD FOR OFFICE

(Special to the Times.) London, Dec. 22.—It is stated in Sunderland that Hamar Greenwood is about to receive an office in the government, and in that case he will stand for re-election in Sunderland. In such a contingency his opponent will probably be Samuel Storey, the ex-Radical who won a great tariff reform victory in the constituency in the January elections.

PHILADELPHIA FIRE INQUIRY.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—A rigid investigation into the reports that the Friedlander Leather company fire, which cost the lives of 24 firemen and police early yesterday, is being made to-day by the city authorities. The testimony of watchmen who escaped in the building, it is predicted, will show that fire was seen simultaneously at different points, and officials of the fire department probably will be called to question concerning the rapidly with which the fire spread.

Preparations are under way for the burial of the victims and a public funeral jointly by the police and firemen is being planned.

HOUNDING DEER.

To the Editor:—Is it not illegal to hunt deer with hounds? It used to be, I know. If it is illegal, cannot something be done to stop the practice in Saanich district? Often of late in the district between Elk Lake and Cedar Hill hunting in this unsportsmanlike manner has been carried on. I understand that a few days ago a deer was shot which was being run by hounds, but the killing was not done by the parties owning the hounds. A boy was fortunate enough to profit from the situation. I also understand that on a later occasion a hound, and not a deer, was the victim of the gun of some sportsman.

The parties who make a practice of illegally hunting deer, I believe, only use one dog at a time, in the belief that thus the haying of the animals will not attract so much attention. Although under some laws the open season for deer ends on the 15th of December, the hounds in question were heard at work last Sunday, the 18th. Deer are none too plentiful in the Saanich district. The farmers are for the most part anxious to have those which remain preserved. Cannot the game warden give this matter his attention?

Too Late to Classify

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MODERN, six roomed, furnished cottage for rent. Apply 260 Douglas street, between eleven and two. 427

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COOK RETURNS.

Discredited Explorer Arrives Home in New York.

New York, Dec. 23.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook yesterday returned to his native land on the steamship George Washington, as calmly as if there had never been a north pole controversy. He said little. A typewritten interview, handed to reporters, embraced all that he had to say, with the exception of the necessary formalities of conversation thrust on him by interviewers.

Of far more dramatic interest was a heated controversy among the steamship passengers concerning the impression he had made on them.

Sudden deaths are eight times more prevalent amongst men than women.

SAYS SITUATION QUITE SERIOUS

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therefore it was no use asking for such a system here.

Ald. McKeown expressed himself as opposed to the first clause in any manner, shape or form.

Ald. Langley was not sure that it was part of the duty of the council to submit any question to the electors in response to the prayer of a certain number of petitioners. It was very easy to get up a petition on any old thing. The present petition was not signed by a representative body of citizens.

It was finally decided to refer this question to next year's council. Question two was allowed to stand.

In connection with question three Ald. Bannerman said the finance committee would like that to stand over. In his opinion it was more important that the city should have a good sewerage system than an improved city hall.

The mayor—Don't you think we can have the improved sewerage system and the city hall also?

Ald. Bannerman—I think, your worship, that prudence in the conduct of the affairs of the city is very necessary at this juncture. The situation is very serious and I advise proceeding very cautiously. It would cost at least half a million dollars to build a new city hall and the money can be spent to a better purpose.

Ald. Raymond took the same view of the matter. What Victoria needed far more than a new city hall were roads, sewers, water and lights—the frills could come a little later on. In his opinion the present city hall was far superior to that possessed by many other cities of even greater population.

Ald. Bishop advised proceeding very cautiously in the matter of incurring expense. Victoria had been very fortunate in the past few years in being able to collect about 95 per cent. of its taxes, but if a bad year intervened and this collection fell to, say, 60 per cent., the situation would really be a very serious one.

The mayor asked Ald. Fullerton to take the chair while he made a few remarks in reply to Ald. Bannerman. He charged that the latter was "cross-firing," in that a short time before he had said that the city did not need a new species of civic government and now he was showing up how rotten was the present system. He could assure members of the board that the people wanted those things which had been asked for in the petition and if they did not get them, when the final summing up came some members of the board would find out where they stood.

The remaining questions were allowed to stand and the petition as amended adopted. The city solicitor will at once prepare the necessary by-law for the taking of the referendum vote.

FUEL DEPOTS FOR U. S. NAVY.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Fuel depots at Bremerton, San Francisco and San Diego will be established soon, if a recommendation made by Secretary of the Navy Meyer meets with the approval of congress. Olongapo, Pearl Harbor, New York and Boston also are mentioned as likely locations for coal stations.

"An ample stock of coal is as essential as powder and shells in preparing a fleet," said the secretary. "Plenty of stations with plenty of coal is the first thing to be considered. More vessels and better guns can follow."

Meyer is urging the appropriation of \$1,000,000 to establish the proposed base.

NO DAY LABOR ON SOOKE SCHEME

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enter into agreements with contractors for the doing of the work of conservation and of conveying the water to the city, such agreements to be subject to the council and also to the approval of the ratepayers and not to be of any force or effect until such ratification by the ratepayers is had. Ald. Bannerman asked if, in the event that the work was not done by contract labor but by day labor, would it still be necessary to secure the ratification of the ratepayers.

Mayor Morley believed that all plans, specifications, etc., would have to be approved by the ratepayers.

Ald. Langley did not think there was anything in the clause which prevented the work being done by day labor, and Ald. Ross declared that he did not believe any city would undertake such a large work by day labor, a statement which drew from the mayor the remark: "Nor I either."

City solicitor McDiarmid gave it as his opinion that the work, if done by day labor, would not have to be ratified by the electors.

The clause was amended making it compulsory to have the work done by contract.

The remaining clauses passed without amendment, and the by-law is now in shape to be submitted to the people on January 12.

NEW COMPANIES.

Long List of Incorporations and Licenses.

Among the extra-provincial companies which have been licensed or registered during the past week to do business in British Columbia are: Burrill Rock Drill Co. Ltd., Brown Bros. Ltd., Caledonia Springs Co., Ltd., Dominion Express Co., E. A. Small Co., Ltd., Fitzgibbon & Co., Ltd., Knechtel Furniture Co., Ltd., Lawrence & Co., Ltd., Murray Shoe Co., Ltd., Northern Coal & Coke Co., Ltd., Princess Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Record Foundry & Machine Co., Slater Shoe Co., Ltd., Travelers Life Assurance Co. of Canada, Waldron Drouin Company, Ltd., Halliday Machinery Co., Russell & Edwin Manufacturing Co. of New York, Salmon River Gold M. & M. Co. Incorporation has been granted to Alberni Power Co., Charles A. Bodles & Co., Ltd., Northern Development Co., Ltd., Realty Fruit & Land Co., Ltd., Taxicab Ltd., Vancouver West End Club, Ltd., and Western Canada Underwriters, Limited.

The appointments are announced of Francis Webb, Ashcroft, as a judge of revision and appeal, vice D. W. Rowlands, resigned, and Penrose C. Morris, Vancouver, as a notary public.

A notice over the signature of the clerk of the House, Thornton Fell, appearing in the Provincial Gazette, announces that the time limit, by the rules of the House, for the presentation of petitions for private bills desired to be obtained from the legislature at the approaching session, will expire on January 22, while such private bills must be presented to the House not later than February 2, and reports from committees thereupon received later than February 9. These expiry dates are subject, in the usual manner, to extension by vote of the House, on motion of the chairman of the interested standing select committee.

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P. A. Y. E. CUT OUT.

Ashcroft, Dec. 23.—A Chilcote Indian named Johnny was sent up for trial on the serious charge of horse stealing and theft by Judges Leighton and Macartney. The accused had been hired by Frank Allen, of Summit ranch, and during the latter's absence for a few hours is alleged to have coolly appropriated his best suit of clothes, hat and boots. He then annexed a horse, saddle and outfit and after arming himself with a rifle started

off for Savona. On his return home Allen quickly sized up matters and started in pursuit in his buggy. He tracked him for eight or nine miles and then found he had turned back home. Enlisting two Indians, Antoine and Willie, to help him, he returned to the ranch and started them off after Johnny. The following day the Indians proudly rode into Savona with their man, having found him in Allen's meadow. The accused simply stated that he did not intend to steal the horse, but was committed to the assizes.

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LOYAL MR. BARNARD.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his speech on the Address in the House of Commons a few weeks ago, discussing the naval policy of the government, with his usual prescience, said: "In Quebec the policy will be attacked on the ground that it is an Imperial policy; in Ontario and the other English-speaking provinces it will be attacked on the ground that it is a separatist measure."

given a satisfactory reason for his vote with the Nationalists of Quebec in opposition to the naval policy of the government. Granting, as he says, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal party are traitors, and assuming that true loyalty is only found in the heart of George Henry and his ilk, there still remains something to be explained.

That in the opinion of this House, in view of her great and varied resources, of her geographical position and national environment, and of that spirit of self-help and self-respect which alone befits a strong and growing people, Canada should no longer delay in assuming her share of the responsibility and financial burden incident to the suitable protection of her exposed coast line and great seaports.

That resolution seems hardly consonant with the position now taken by Mr. Barnard, that the construction of a Canadian navy should not be undertaken without first consulting the people through a referendum. The question therefore arises, what caused Mr. Barnard and his party within the short space of a year to swallow that resolution and undertake the next to impossible task of digesting it?

So much for the position of the party with which Mr. Barnard has allied himself. What is the position of the government as explained by another French-Canadian from the province of Quebec and a Liberal? Here it is, the speaker being Mr. Beland:

"What is the difference between their navy and our navy?—because everybody is in favor of a navy of some kind, no matter what they may say on occasion. They may say one thing and mean another, but on this side of the House we must tell the truth. Now the law providing for a naval service . . . says in effect that at a critical moment the Governor in Council of the Canadian government may put the Canadian navy, wholly or in part, at the service of the King. That is the point of cleavage between my hon. friend from Jacques Cartier (Mr. Monk) and the Liberal party. He would favor a Canadian navy, but one kept at all times at home, a navy that would not, at any time, nor under any circumstances, share in an Imperial war. We, on the

other hand, maintain our freedom to say that when British supremacy is threatened on the high seas we shall say to Great Britain: 'We are an integral part of the British Empire, your supremacy is threatened—Canada will be with you, because in protecting you we protect ourselves.'

Yet in the face of such public declarations of principles, and the Conservatives being allied with the party which says "we are French-Canadians, not English," etc., Mr. Barnard comes west and boasts of the super-loyalty of himself and his friends and raises the old insinuation that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is a disloyal person.

MODERN DANGERS.

The Christmas season will in many parts of the world be saddened by the lamentable accidents which have carried off so many useful lives in so many different countries. Never a day passes now but the telegraph brings us word of some new horror.

It is a mine accident on the borders of our own province, another it is the burying of hundreds of men in an English coal mine, next we read that a score or two of lives have been lost as a result of fires in United States cities. Life seems to be held very cheap, almost as much so as in the days of our fathers and grandfathers. The advances of science have freed us from many dangers, but have laid us open to many more. The segregation of population in the large cities is always a source of danger, and modern mechanical conveniences, such as elevators, motor cars and fast railway, tramway and steamboat services, result in thousands of premature deaths during the year. We might advise going to the country to live, but even there is to be found the fool hunter who shoots at any moving object in mistake for a deer, or who plays with his explosive weapon as if it were a toy.

As we said before, life is held cheap, much too cheap, and too many risks are taken daily by those who have human lives under their care. Nearly all accidents can be ascribed to the carelessness of some one. Men no longer sleep at the switch because they are overworked, but many a man is unable to properly attend to his duties because of too much play, staying up too late at night, or mental distractions which have a demoralizing effect. We daily cram more into our lives, and we have not yet adapted ourselves to the strain. "Accidents will happen," is an old saying, but it should not have any modern application. It would not if we were less inclined to trust to luck instead of making sure that everything was right and putting our best work into everything.

Everybody works but Father at this time of year—he puts up the cash. If the trans-Atlantic records continue to be broken we shall soon be able to cross to the Old Country to spend the week-end, returning again to business. The Toronto city council is considering the establishment of a motor bus service in opposition to the street railway. This should bring William Mackenzie to time—perhaps.

Even though there are more steamers than ever plying between this port and the Orient, all seem to find paying cargoes. Victoria is becoming a very important port. Many of the steamers which dock here call at no other port in Canada. Flying must be an unpleasant mode of travelling at this time of year. A Pullman car or a cabin in a first-class steamer would greatly be preferred by most people to a night in an aeroplane. There would be better opportunities to keep the feet warm, one would think.

The conviction of the British officers who were spying in Germany and their sentence to four years' imprisonment, together with the alleged snubbing of the German fleet by the American vessels visiting European waters, will not tend to improve the rather strained relations existing between the Anglo-Saxons and the Germans. There is some discussion taking place in different parts of the continent as to who is bossing the Canadian West. Some Englishmen claim the Yankoes are doing it, but the Montreal Herald says the people of Eastern Canada are the men who are doing the trick. Cutlery we hadn't heard about it here.

It is a pity that the street railway employees of Winnipeg should put up so good a fight in so poor a cause. The employers should certainly have power to control the actions of the employees during the hours when their uniform is worn. The company was endeavoring to protect the rights of its patrons in insisting that men should not enter saloons when wearing their uniform. A man who has just been drinking whiskey or beer is not a pleasant person to have to rub against in a crowded car, and there is always more danger of accident if a man who has just been drinking has his hand on the lever.

James J. Hill, railway builder and financier, who paid a visit to the Puget Sound district at the beginning of the week, gave the people of Bellingham some good advice in regard to settling the land. He advised using

every endeavor to put people on the land to have as much as possible of the rich soil made productive. He suggested encouraging immigration from the agricultural countries of Europe of men who were used to the farm and were willing to work hard in order to make homes for themselves. He spoke very strongly about the harm the conservationists were doing in tying up the timber lands, thus preventing large tracts of country being made available for settlement.

PRESS OPINIONS

The National Museum. As a result of the visit of the deputations which waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier yesterday, there is reason to hope that Canada may have a national museum on the lines of the British museum in Washington, and managed by a commission of representative Canadians. Hon. E. H. Bronson placed the matter before the premier in a manner that seemed to impress Sir Wilfrid, who, it must be said, is ever ready to sympathetically consider any suggestion bearing on the creation of distinctive features which will emphasize the character of Ottawa as the Capital of Canada. While not committing himself to any line of action, the premier appeared to be favorably impressed with the importance of the establishment of a national museum whose contents will educate all Canadian citizens who may study them, and inform all strangers from other lands who may visit the museum as to the wealth of heritage which a kind Providence has dowered upon us, and which young Canada, a nation in the making, is working to develop. Sir Wilfrid requested that Mr. Bronson should furnish the government with particulars as to the manner in which similar institutions in England and Washington are administered by commissions, and promised to bring the matter before the cabinet at an early date.—Ottawa Citizen.

The New Journalist. The journalist is in extreme peril of becoming a gentleman. Strange and awful as it may seem to those who cling to class distinctions, and slightly embarrassing as it is to the journalist himself, gentility is being thrust upon him. Society is beginning to recognize him as a respectable person. Serious members of the profession of journalism are becoming somewhat perturbed at this new state of things. "Ought we to allow ourselves to become gentlemen?" they ask, "in becoming respectable shall we not lose our old power and independence?" There is something in the argument. Formerly the journalist belonged to no class. He was an outcast and a Bohemian. He was in the world but not of it. The world was merely his sleep show, and he went about making notes. Insulted by flunkeys, treated with contemptuous scorn by public men, he consoled himself in his heart by the knowledge that being a social pariah, he was the master of mankind. Now it is different. Not only are journalists received in good society, but also their wives!—Graphic.

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- Suitable for Christmas gifts from our Patent Medicine Department. We save you money on these. GILLETTE RAZORS, \$7.50, \$6.50, \$6, \$5. SHAVING SETS, \$4.50, \$1.50 and \$1.00. RAZOR STROPS, in Christmas boxes, \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.75. SHAVING BRUSHES, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c. EBONY HAIR BRUSHES, \$4.00, \$3.50, \$3, \$2.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 \$1.00. CLOTH BRUSHES, \$3.00 down to 50c. MANICURE SETS, \$8.50, \$6.50, \$5.25, \$5.00, \$4.75, \$4.00, \$2.50 and \$1.25. DRESSING SETS, ladies', \$14.00, \$12.50, \$10.50, \$9.00, \$6.00. DRESSING SETS, Men's, \$6.50, \$5, \$4.50 and \$4.25. MIRRORS, ebony, \$3.75, \$3.00, \$2.75, \$2.50, \$2.25 and \$2.00. SITTING MIRRORS, from \$3.50 to \$5c. PERFUMES, in fancy boxes, from \$3.00 to 25c.

Late Arrivals Now on Sale

500 DOZEN SWISS EMBROIDERED RUNNERS AND SQUARES go on sale to-day at 50c. This shipment should have reached us some time ago, but was delayed. In order to make this a record day, we will sell the whole shipment of squares and runners at, each 50c. See Windows.

Many Price Concessions From the Toy Department

- DOLLS' GO-CARTS, with a strong steel collapsible frame, well built wheels, with rubber tires. Leatherette coverings, and folding hood. Also safety straps \$4.50. ZITHERS, well strung. The little ones can learn many tunes from the charts furnished with each zither. Regular 75c. \$25c. VIOLINS AND ACCORDEONS, Regular 50c. WHIPS, long and short, with or without lash. Handles are well covered and have whistles at end. Regular 25c. To-day 10c. 100 KID BODY DOLLS, 15 inches high, bisque heads, light and dark wigs, moving eyes, dainty shoes and stockings. Regular 50c. 25c. CHARACTER DOLLS of soft woolly materials, just the thing for baby, as they are unbreakable. Gaily dressed in red and blue, with tiny bells. Regular 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25. To-day, 50c, 75c. RAG DOLLS, with light wigs, dressed in Red Ridinghood styles. All rag dolls reduced to half price. Regular 35c and 75c. Prices, 15c and 35c. DRESSED DOLLS, with jointed bodies and bisque heads, moving eyes. Dressed in the daintiest styles most favored by the small girl. Height 12 inches. Regular \$1.50, for \$1. 12 ONLY, DOLLS, with jointed bodies, handsomely dressed in colored cashmere and large straw hats. Thick, wavy hair, either light or dark. Height 20 in. Reg. \$6.50 for \$3.50. 12 ONLY, GIRL AND BOY DOLLS, in fancy costumes. The boy has chain and tiny watch. Both on roller skates. Regular \$2.50, for \$1.50. DOLL SETS, comprising small jointed doll, well dressed, with an additional dress, hat, mirror and necklace. Regular \$3.00. Price \$1.50.

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government. The world's fair habit is pretty nearly played out, but if anything can revive its popularity, Winnipeg ought to be able to. And what is a paltry two millions compared with making Winnipeg, for once, happy if not contented?—Montreal Star. The coast line of the Chinese Empire extends 2,500 miles, and the land frontier is 4,800 miles. Tarantulas are common in Santiago, Cuba, and sometimes make their way into the beds of sleepers. In the best houses, as a protection against these poisonous spiders, a close netting surrounds every bed.

General Xmas Wind-Up

CUTLERY CARVING SETS RAZORS

FOOTBALLS ATHLETIC GOODS AND TOYS

To-day and to-morrow until 11 p. m. we will wind up our big sale by offering our entire stock at the most reasonable prices ever offered.

Drop Around and Take a Look at Some of Our Goods Which Would Make Excellent Gifts

OPEN THIS EVENING AND TO-MORROW UNTIL 11 P. M. SHOP ON DOUGLAS STREET

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Most acceptable because so useful in this country. The heat always on tap when you want it, then, being portable, they can be carried from setting room to bedroom—a point in their favor. Our prices, \$7.00, \$6.25 and \$5.00. Plenty of the best Christmas present suggestions here. Come in and look around. Glad to see you.

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- MANICURE SETS \$3.00. SEWING SETS, \$3.00, \$2.25 and \$1.50. FRUIT KNIVES, handsome pearl handles in nice red leather case \$8.00. RAZOR CASES, each, \$1.50 and \$1.25. PEARL-HANDLED KNIFE, FORK AND SPOON, in case, \$3.00 and \$2.75. KNIFE, FORK AND SPOON on card, \$1.00. SCISSORS SET, three pairs in pretty case, \$4 and \$2.50. POCKET KNIVES, 100 different kinds, suitable for a lady, a man or boy, \$3.75 to 20c. ELECTRIC IRONS, fancy Coal Hods, Jardinieres, Trays, Tea Pots, etc. Look around here and you'll soon find out what to give. BRASS KETTLES, \$5.00 to 60c. DINNER KNIVES, the set, \$6.25 to \$3.75. DESSERT KNIVES, set, \$5.00 to \$2.75. ROGERS' FAMOUS 1847 FLATWARE: Tea Spoons, Dessert Spoons, Dessert Forks, Table Forks, Table Spoons, etc., at popular prices. CASES OF CUTLERY, a splendid range. Goods that would last for generations, \$48.50 to \$9.50. BRASS CANDLESTICKS, Ash Trays, Coffee Pots, Bird Cages, etc. Many other gift hints.

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Lots of nice little gift-things here—Pure Scented Soap, Powder and Puff Boxes, Infants' Toilet Sets and

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Pretty Parisian Goods, pale pink and pale blue, brown and ebony. Prices, \$1.00, 75c or 50c.

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Xmas Toasts

Should, of course, be given in the best of all wines. Christmas is the King of all Festivals. G. H. Mumm & Co.'s champagne is the King of all Wines, therefore they go hand in hand at this joyous season. Mumm's Champagne reigns supreme at every high class function—the one champagne used exclusively at the best banquets throughout the civilized world.

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A small hamper containing one dozen splits of Mumm's "Extra Dry" makes a splendid gift for man or lady, white for an invalid it is unrivalled. Your dealer can supply you; see that the bottle bears the pink capsule; no genuine "Extra Dry" without this mark.

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LOCAL NEWS

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—Wm. Stewart, men's and ladies' tailor, over Terry's Drug Store, Douglas St.

—Do not forget that you can get an express of trunk at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it. See us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or incivility on the part of our help.

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—FURS AT AUCTION—Maynard, the Broad Street Auctioneer, to-night at 8 p. m., will sell 100 furs and muffs, crockery, toys, etc., Columbia gramophone and 9 records.

—An article on Vancouver Island appears in the current number of the Spokesman Review. The article is written by Ernest McGaffey, secretary of the Vancouver Island Development League.

—News has been received by William Forrest, local agent of the Scottish Realty Co., announcing the death of his brother, James Forrest, at Honolulu, recently. Deceased was formerly solicitor and manager of the British Linen Co., Kilmuir, Scotland, and had gone to the Hawaiian Islands seeking renewed health. He was a native of Scotland, and was 48 years of age.

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—The contract with the Worswick Paving company for the paving of Langley street, between Yates street and Bastion street, has been signed by the city and work will commence at once.

—The fire brigade had a useless run yesterday shortly after 5 p. m., when an alarm was sent in because of a strong light reflection caused by casting operations at the Victoria Machinery Depot, which attracted the attention of a passerby.

—The committee of the Protestant Orphan's home has received with very great thanks a donation of 48 50-cent pieces as Christmas donations for each of the children in the institution, the donors being Leeming Bros.

—As a result of a by-law which was passed by the city council at its special meeting last evening, Dr. G. A. B. Hall, medical health officer, has been placed in full charge of all matters pertaining to sanitation and health of the city.

—Mrs. Graham of 29 Forest Side, Capital road, Forest Gate, London, is searching for her husband who left Antwerp on July 8 last and came to British Columbia. He went to Stewart early in August, and she has not since heard of him.

A. W. Langley was the principal speaker at the annual Salt Spring Island branch of the Navy League meeting, at which there were many present. Ernest Crofton was chairman. The speaker devoted himself largely to the fact that party politics did not enter into the Navy League question. Mr. Deane and Major Barnes were the other speakers. After the meeting the annual dance was held, and a number of those present gave an interesting entertainment.

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Post Card Projectors—a new shipment of microscopes has just come to hand. Prices \$4.00 to \$10.00.
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These instruments are splendid home entertainers.
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Let them have the time of their life. Make everybody in your house happy and jolly by selecting a

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We will give you one of these unrivalled talking machines (a "Columbia" is the best procurable) with Your Choice of Six Single Records for only \$22.50, and You Can Pay Us on Time, Say \$1 Per Week, if You Wish.

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—Although Monday is a statutory holiday, it does not come within the meaning of the recent liquor license by-law as Christmas Day, and therefore licensed premises may remain open.

—The provincial public buildings will be closed on Monday, December 26th and on Monday January 2nd, both days being public holidays.

—Ald. Henderson has declined overtures from many friends to offer himself as a candidate for alderman at the forthcoming municipal elections.

—The new rules governing the operation of interurban tramways will come into force January 1st, according to notice given by proclamation in the current issue of the Provincial Gazette.

—R. S. Lennie, solicitor, will apply to the legislature next session for the incorporation by private act of the B. C. Accident and Employers' Liability Co., Ltd.

—An unprecedented letter and parcel mail was received from England last night at the Victoria post office. It comprises 110 baskets containing over 1,500 parcels for Victoria people. The stamp wickets of the post office are now kept open until 9 p. m. to accommodate the public needs.

—By the first day of the new year the final surveys of the B. C. Electric Railway company's route through the Stanley peninsula, connecting Victoria and Sidney, are expected to be in the hands of the manager. These, with an estimate of cost, will be forwarded to the head offices at London. The decision of the board of directors is expected to be made known here in February.

WEATHER BULLETIN.
Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 23—4 a. m.—The pressure continues to be lowest on the British Columbia coast and highest over the American Rocky Mountain regions; these conditions have caused strong winds and gales on the outside water, and heavy rainfall has been general, especially in these districts. In the prairie provinces the pressure is increasing and the temperature falling.

Forecasts.
For 24 hours, ending 8 p. m. Saturday, Victoria and vicinity—Northerly to southerly winds, unsettled, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, unsettled, with rain.

Reports at 5 a. m.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 49; minimum, 40; wind, 3 miles N.; rain, 1.14; weather, rain.
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 38; minimum, 31; wind, 3 miles E.; rain, 1.02; weather, rain.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 64; minimum, 44; wind, 5 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Victoria Daily Weather.
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Thursday:
Temperature.
Highest 41
Lowest 27
Average 34
Rain, 50 inch.
General state of weather, rainy.

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- Brooches from \$1.65 to \$25.00
- Umbrellas (exclusive) \$7.50 up to \$25.00
- Bon-Bon Dishes (silver) \$2.50 up to \$15.00
- Vases (silver) \$3.75 to \$38.15
- Candlesticks (silver) \$3.85 up to \$24.75
- Photo Frames (silver) 25c up to \$24.75
- Thimbles (silver) .25c to \$1.15
- Men's Watches for \$2.50 to \$25.00
- Cuff Links (solid gold) \$1.25 (special)
- Tobacco Jars (silver) \$5.65 up to \$12.15
- Cigar Cutters (silver) \$1.25 up to \$3.90
- Match Boxes (silver) \$1.60 up to \$4.50
- Pen Holders (silver) \$1 to \$4.50
- Cases (gold mounted) \$8.00 up to \$30.00
- Long Chains (silver) \$1.35 up to \$4.50
- Vest Pins (gold) \$3.00 to \$9.00
- Gold Necklets \$2.25 to \$14.50
- Earrings (gold) \$4.00 (special)
- Rings, stone set \$1.30 to \$22.50
- Hat Pins (gold) \$2.00 to \$25.00
- Heart Charms (gold) \$1.35 up to \$3.50
- Hand Bags (silver) \$2.50 to \$25.00
- Long Neck Chains \$3.00 to \$53.00
- Amethyst and Pearl Brooches \$11.00 to \$72.00
- Long Neck Chains of Jet \$5.00 to \$9.00
- Solid Gold Crosses \$3.00 to \$25.00
- Bohemian Garnet Brooches \$3.00 to \$12.00

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FREE CANS IN GARBAGE COLLECTION SYSTEM

Important Decision Reached by City Council at Last Night's Meeting

A new departure in the system of garbage collection which is about to be instituted was decided upon at last evening's special meeting of the city council by the adoption of a report from the health and morals committee. It was proposed in the first instance that the cans would be sold at \$2 each. Now, however, the utensils will be free, and a by-law will be introduced making their use compulsory. The report read as follows:

Gentlemen,—Your committee on health and morals beg leave to report as follows:

Under the public incinerator by-law, No. 544, there is a balance still standing to the credit of this loan of a little over \$20,000. Your committee have taken into consideration the establishment of regulations for the purpose of compelling the collection of city garbage and the destruction or removal of the same.

Your committee have already ordered 1,000 garbage cans, with a view to selling the same to the citizens, but it has been represented to your committee that it is impossible for the city to compel the purchase by anybody of these cans, and that the matter should be treated wholly from a health and sanitary standpoint, as it is absolutely impossible to have a healthy city if the garbage is not regularly and efficiently collected. The result of this is that it is necessary to order sufficient cans to supply every household and place of business with a city can, to be used for garbage, rubbish, etc., and to make periodic collection of the same by means of city workmen, and provide for the compulsory use of the said cans and the disposal of the garbage as a matter of city policy for the benefit of the health of the city.

Your committee therefore recommended that the contract with Joseph Market be increased to \$,000 cans at the same figure, \$1.70 per can.

Your committee further recommend that the purchasing agent be instructed to call for tenders for eight horses, eight carts and eight sets of harness, as per the specifications of the health department and the purchasing agent. Your committee further recommend that a by-law be introduced, making the use of the said cans compulsory, and that the health department be instructed to make a report as to the periods of collection of the said garbage in various portions of the city.

The first cost of all the above recommendations will be paid out of the moneys voted by the said by-law, No. 545, the annual charge for maintenance and upkeep to be taken out of the general revenue of the city.

—The Columbia Fire Insurance company, which was involved in the recent big fire in Victoria, has presented Chief Davis with a handsome double set of carvers in appreciation of the work of the department on that occasion.

—Authority was given the building inspector at last evening's special meeting of the city council to proceed at once to remodel the quarters in the market building until recently occupied by the Victoria & Sidney Railway company as offices so that these may be utilized by the fire department, which finds itself cramped for room.

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Our Delicatessen department is delighting many with home-made Mince-meat, lb., 25c; English Plum Puddings, each, \$1.50 to 75c; Mince Pies, delicious, 15c.

Cheese for your Christmas dinner. Every kind you like: English Stilton, Gorgonzola, Roquefort, Camembert, Swiss, etc.

SPECIAL THIS WEEK—Esquimalt Oysters, Fresh Daily, Four Dozen for \$1.00.

Japanese Oranges, all sound and large. Per box, only 45c. Bon-Bons, Santa Claus Stockings, Tinsel, Christmas Bells, Garlands, Christmas Candies, etc., are going rapidly. Have you secured yours yet?

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—A mission house was opened in the Happy Valley, Metehosin, on the grounds of W. Winter, "Bridgefield," on Tuesday evening last. Sunday school has already been started with a good band of scholars, and it is now proposed to hold Sunday evening services, with the intention of building a larger hall when the workmen in connection with the new railway enter the valley. Rev. Thos. W. Gladstone conducted a dedicatory service and gave an address appropriate to the occasion.

—The closing exercises of the Rocky Point school went off with great success and many people from the Quarantine station and East Sooke spent an enjoyable afternoon with the children. There was a Christmas tree and supper and games afterwards. J. D. Reid was chairman and there were a number of

clever performers who entertained. Prizes for school work were given to Alfred Parker, Hilda Eastwood, Edith Parker, Ernest Eastwood and Kenneth Reed. Miss Smith, the teacher, received a Christmas present from the pupils and friends.

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California Team an Exceptionally Strong One—Its Personnel

The California boys who are to try and wrest the Pacific coast championship from Victoria in a series of three games arrived here last night from the south by the steamer Queen and were met by a representative committee of the Victoria Rugby Club, who went on board and welcomed the visitors. Afterwards they were escorted to a special car which was waiting for them and they proceeded to the Oak Bay hotel, which will be their headquarters during their stay here.

From this on and till their first match the Berkeley boys will be out training every day at the Oak Bay grounds. While here the visitors will be the guests of honor at a theatre party, a banquet and a ball.

The following are the members of the team: Coach, Schaefer and Chet Allen, assistant trainer, Vois, Douglas, Markwart, McIntosh, H. Phleger, King, Dolan, Jordan, Emerson, Wheeler, Fleming, Morris, Elliott, S. Allen, Evans, Peart, Douglas, Price, Baker. The Victoria team has not been definitely decided upon yet. The local players are out training every day, are making a bid for a place in the team that will oppose the Californians.

Berkeley Team.
The Berkeley team is an exceptionally strong one. Douglas is an excel-

lently well-equipped man for a front rank position and has not played before for the reason that he has not been eligible. The trainers expect him to develop into varsity form with the passing of experience, his work on the squad even though he has not been eligible for the team in the past, giving much promise. Markwart is a veteran of four seasons, so that he has plenty of experience in aggressive play. He has made a strong bid for the big team twice and will undoubtedly qualify before he graduates. His showing in the past, despite his youthfulness, has resulted in his being put on the training table each of the past two seasons. McIntosh is a sophomore of promise but—improvement—The California varsity during the next eleven months will need some new material in the front rank and McIntosh may be able to "cut the mustard."

King is the big freshman forward of this year, the only one of his classmates who was just nosed off the varsity this year, although Emerson also made a strong bid for the honor. King and Emerson are counted upon to fill the vacancies in the forwards created by the graduation of Ashley and Hardy, of this year's team.

Dolan played at Nevada two seasons, was picked for the All-American team that toured Australia last summer but was unable to go because of his decision to accept a position in a mine in Nevada, but he has entered California and, like Douglas, found himself unable to compete on the California team because of the one-year residence rule. He nevertheless stayed out on the squad and played with the Olympic club team and consequently is not rusty at the game. He is big but not beefy, terse, hard-working and good with the boot.

Jordan is the biggest man Berkeley ever developed at Rugby. He weighs 225 lbs and is literally a mountain of strength. He is so fast that he has been played with success in back field positions, in fact, makes a very good inside five. At the same time Jordan is a man of most pleasing personality, and is a natural leader among the players.

Wheeler is a junior, who went in as a substitute in the game with Stanford

last month. He has developed more in this one season he has been out for football than any other man on the squad. Wheeler, too, is a gentleman of the first water and a favorite among his team-mates.

Fleming suffered a broken hand this season that prevented his best quality from being shown. He is a freshman and not so strong as King and Emerson, seems to have the makings of the first water and a favorite among his team-mates.

Captain Elliott and outside five Chet Allen are a pair which can't be matched in college circles in the west. Elliott is the more reliable while Allen is the quicker to grasp a new situation, and executes a play before his opponent has discovered the opening. Elliott has played three times in the big team and Allen twice. Peart is a fully good wing, has made his C and this year did so with the greatest credit to himself. At centre three he is not so well known, but his alertness, kicking ability and speed make him valuable anywhere in the back field.

S. Allen is not a big C man but is one of the speediest wings on the team, but his lightning has in the past kept him off from the team, Watta, who has usually played here being a veteran of four years. Evans, at the other wing, is a C man, played in good form this year with Stanford, and will be a credit to the team. Captain Dwigton of this year's team has played four years against Stanford, and while one of the greatest is one of the surest back-field men yet produced by either university. He is a remarkable punter, and an "instant" man on the ball. Price is a very fine punter, but is not an experienced man, although he has been twice on the squad. Baker is one of the substitutes on this year's team that may place next year, and can be counted on to annex a try from the wing position should he be given half an opening.

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BRYNJOLFSON HAS BEEN SUSPENDED

Important Action at Meeting of the Victoria Football Association

The weekly meeting of the Victoria and District Football Association was held last night at the Y. M. C. A., there being a large number of delegates present. After a lengthy discussion on the position of Brynjolfson, of the North Ward Club, it was unanimously decided that he be suspended for the remainder of this season and the two seasons following. It will be remembered that Brynjolfson was ordered off the field last Saturday at North Ward park, in the North Ward-Victoria West match for striking the referee. There was some sympathy with the North Ward player on account of his previous clean record. Referee Lorimer stated that he did

not know why the North Ward player had struck him. Yousen, of the Victoria Wests, was coming up the field with the ball and when hearing the Ward's goal was charged by Brown. He was about to award a penalty, and before he had done so he received a blow at the back of the ear from Brynjolfson. President Brown stated he knew he had been blamed for the selection of the referee for this match, but he could say that Mr. Lorimer had refereed the best game in the league this year. He referred in the face of a hostile crowd of spectators and he congratulated Mr. Lorimer upon his presence of mind in not retaliating upon Brynjolfson. He believed that the action of this player had been premeditated. He had no desire to influence the delegates and concluded by mentioning the suspension which had been given Barber of the Empress Club at the last meeting of the association. Bromley of the Garrison and McGregor of the Wards were severely censured for foul language on the field. A complaint was made by the Garrison team against the refereeing of J. R. Allen who refereed in their match last Saturday against Esquimalt. The complaint will be forwarded to the Referees' Association. Dates for postponed games were

agreed upon as follows: North Ward vs. Garrison, Dec. 31; Empress vs. Esquimalt, January 7; North Ward vs. Foresters, January 7; Garrison vs. Foresters, January 31.
Second division—Oak Bay vs. Beacon Hill at 2:30 p. m., December 31; Baraca vs. Esquimalt, afternoon, December 31; Oak Bay vs. Fifth Regiment, December 26, morning at Beacon Hill, 10:30 o'clock; North Ward vs. Fifth Regiment, January 7.

SATURDAY'S SOCCER.

First Division.
Foresters vs. Garrison at Oak Bay; referee, A. Lockley.
Empress vs. North Ward, Beacon Hill; H. A. Coward.
Victoria West vs. J. B. A. A., Royal Athletic Park; G. Allison.
Second Division.
North Ward vs. Oak Bay, North Ward Park; Referee, J. Allen.
Beacon Hill vs. Baraca, Beacon Hill; L. Campbell.
Esquimalt vs. Victoria West, Canton; F. Walters.
Junior Division.
High School vs. Oak Bay, North Ward Junior Park; E. Bishop.
If a man could walk day and night without resting he could make a journey around the earth in 42 days.

SPORT NOTES

On January 19 the Victoria West Athletic Association will hold their annual ball in the A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street. A most energetic committee, including Messrs. W. Duncan, R. Sempie, J. W. Okell and others have the arrangements in hand, and no doubt a splendid dance will be given by the popular West End Club, as in past years. Invitations are being sent to a host of friends, and already the affair looks like a huge success.

The Victoria West senior soccer team to play the J. B. A. A. on Saturday at the Royal Athletic park at 2:30 will be as follows: Beano, Provoost, Cowper, Bailey, Pettiferow, Okell, Shurrett, Yousen, Peden, B. Thackray, Wright; reserve, McDiarmid.

On Saturday night, Dec. 31, two basketball games will be played at the Victoria West Athletic Association hall, Catherine street, Victoria West, between the senior and intermediate teams from that institution and the teams from the Vancouver Athletic Association, Vancouver.

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PATRICK STAYS WEST.
Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Business cares will keep Frank Patrick on the coast this winter, and despite the exclusive announcement which appeared in a local paper a few days ago the Nelson star will not play hockey in Renfrew, notwithstanding all reports to the contrary.

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George Varnell, sporting editor of

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The Evening Chit-Chat

BY BETH CAMERON



Five nice looking girls, evidently college or high school girls on a "foot" trip into the matinee car the other day and sat down opposite me. They were all apparently girls in about the same circumstances and they were evidently all in their best bibs and tuckers.

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the hem of the gown and a breadth of raggedly petticoat showing below. The girl in the amethyst broadcloth had a hole in her gloves, very soiled ruffling and her hat was painfully in need of brushing.

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He probably wasn't thinking of gowning when he said it, but it fits that as well as painting, don't you think? The finest costume may be soiled by carelessness about details.

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"Trifles make perfection but perfection is no trifle."

Next Friday evening in the Woman's building at the fair grounds, the J. B. A. A. will hold their big annual ball. This year the New Year's ball will be given in honor of the visiting Rugby football players from the University of California, who will be the guests of the J. B. A. A. on that occasion.

THE ADVANCE MAN

"The Wolf" Coming. "The Wolf," a realistic comedy drama of Canadian life, will be the Christmas Day (December 25) attraction at the Victoria theatre. The scenes of the play are laid in northern Ontario, and the characters are types of the hardy settlers who build railroads and start towns which later develop into bustling cities; but at the time when the action of "The Wolf" is supposed to have taken place there was nothing but the dense forests and the gloomy barrens.

Harold Nelson, the well-known Canadian actor, will play the role of Jules Beaubien, a light-hearted French-Canadian, and he is supported by a good company. "The Time, the Place and the Girl." At the Victoria theatre on Wednesday, December 23, is "The Time, the Place and the Girl." Be it understood, it is not a musical comedy, but a comedy with music. That is to say, that its dramatic values would be sufficient to provide an evening's entertainment for a mental adult, even if there were no songs to enliven the proceedings. It is legitimate comedy, with a sane plot and a few situations and legitimately enhanced by two or three delightful reproductions of unusual and amusing character types.

THE DEPARTING YEAR

One more year will soon be planted in the tomb of Time, enchanted, where so many sleep; on one more year is old and hoary, reeling on his way to glory, while we watch and weep. How the days go whizzing! How the years go whizzing! How the years go whizzing! New year bells scarce cease their pealing ere the year they hailed is reeling feebly to his bier! Age is creeping on us grimly, and we view the future dimly through a mist of tears; how the wintry days remind us, we have left our youth behind us, all the golden years! But cheer up! Though days are flying there is time in each for trying to do something good! Though the years are hustling ever, each gives time for strong endeavor at our pile of wood. Let old Time keep up his humping that gait to his liking, we our loads shall take; and when comes the Silent Reaper we won't give a groan or peep or cheap excuses make.

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City Council Demands a One-Cent Rate From Jordan River Company

At last evening's meeting of the city council the report of the electric light committee, recommending that the B. C. Electric Company be asked to agree

to a one-cent rate for Jordan river power, was adopted without comment. In the event of the company refusing to meet the wishes of the city arbitration proceedings will be resorted to. The report read as follows:

"Gentlemen: Your electric light committee having considered the cost of power production under the agreement with the B. C. Electric Railway Company, and having had a number of interviews with various officials of the company and a final meeting with A. T. Goward, manager of the company; Mr. A. E. Tripp, the superintendent of the company, and Mr. A. F. Griffiths, the accountant for the company, and having received an offer in writing from the company offering to supply current to the city at the rate

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"The cost in the year of 1909 of generating power has been thoroughly and carefully examined into by the committee, and we have had reports from the electric light superintendent and from the comptroller in connection therewith, and we find that on the basis which strikes us as being eminently fair and reasonable, the cost of power production has been \$1.99 per kilowatt hour.

"Under the circumstances your committee do not feel justified in recommending the acceptance of Mr. Goward's offer, and recommend that Mr. Goward be offered a rate of one cent per kilowatt hour for the power to be furnished by the company to the city, and falling acceptance of this by the company, the latter be placed in the hands of the legal department for adjustment by the courts or arbitrators.

"The committee wishes to point out that the difference of 1-10 of a cent per kilowatt hour does not sound very big, but in reality there is a difference of \$600 per year in our present consumption, which present consumption will probably be increased owing to the number of arc cluster lights being called for."

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Monday next, December 26, and the following Monday, January 2, 1911, will be public holidays in both the inside and outside branches of the civil service. They will also automatically be non-judicial days, which means that notes or bills of exchange coming due on these days will not be collectable until the following day, but they will not be public holidays because no proclamation has been issued by the governor-general.

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**SURGERY GAVE HIM
BACK HIS SIGHT**

After Eighteen Months of Blindness Greek Laborer Completely Recovers

Portland, Ore., Dec. 23.—After 18 months of blindness, inability to walk and semi-coma that clouded his mind, G. Gorgina, a Greek, has been restored his eyesight, cured of paralysis and is recovering his mind, due to a surgical operation performed at St. Vincent's hospital early this week. The operation, it was learned to-day, consisted of the removal of a piece of the man's skull that was pressing down on the optic centre of the brain, and the removal of a small clot of blood from the brain itself.

While working with fellow laborers a year and a half ago the Greek was struck on the head and immediately lapsed into a semi-conscious condition. He was taken to the laborers' quarters, where for over a year his fellow countrymen waited on him when they had time. He was helpless. A few days ago Dr. Sargentich called to see the man. He found that the skull had been fractured. When Gorgina was operated on at the hospital it was found that the skull had attained three times its normal thickness at the point of fracture.

VANCOUVER POLICE FORCE

Commissioners Are in Favor of Increasing Patrolmen

Vancouver, Dec. 23.—At a special meeting of the police commissioners there was considerable discussion as to the needs of the police force for the forthcoming year. Chief Chamberlin said that he could not adequately police the city with his present force. There were only 60 patrolmen and 18 of these were employed on point duty guarding street crossings. With Hastings Township, District Lot 21 and South Vancouver all likely to come in, additional men would certainly be needed.

The commissioners, in discussing the matter, agreed that Chief Chamberlin would require at least forty additional men, and substations would also have to be established at outlying points. No resolution was passed, as it was felt that any estimates would have to be submitted to next year's council.

No greater crime is known in China than that of desecrating a graveyard. Because graves are found everywhere in China, the first railroad built there had to follow a very circuitous route in order to avoid them.

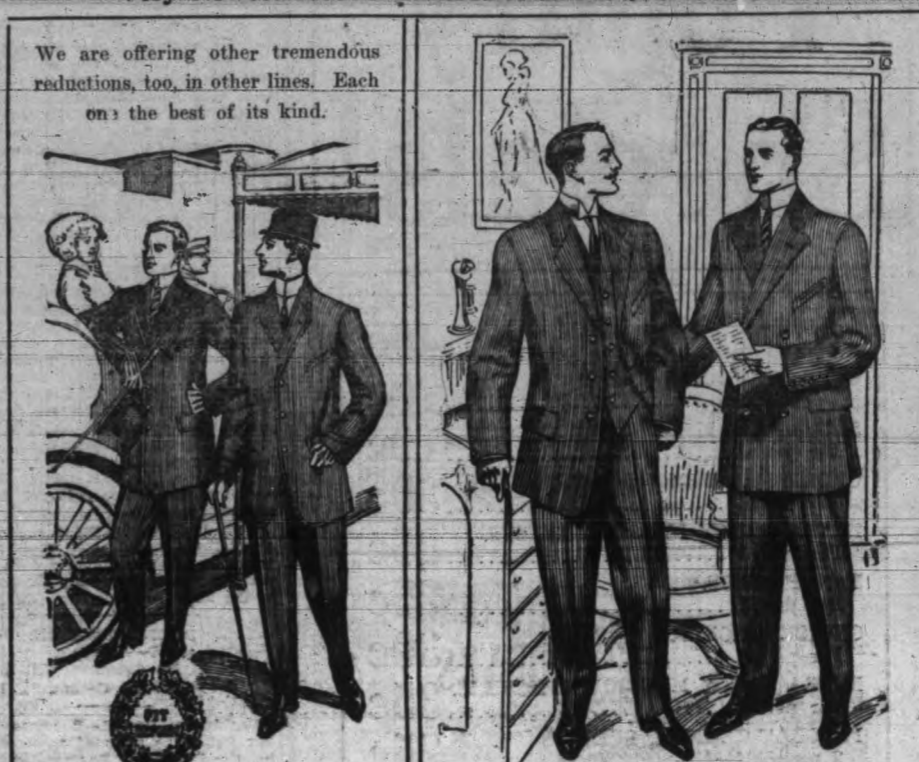
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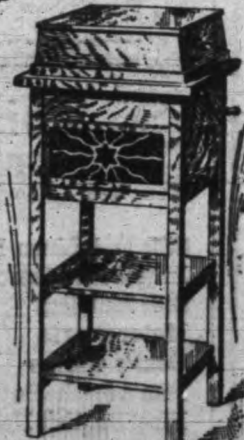
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EARL GREY PLANNING AN EXTENSIVE TRIP

Down Mackenzie River and Out by Way of Yukon River

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Earl Grey is said to be planning an even more hazardous trip than the one he took this fall to Hudson bay. This time his idea is to start from Edmonton or vicinity, travel overland and by the Mackenzie river, and come out at the Arctic ocean, where he would be met by a government steamer. The Yukon would be visited and the return made by way of Peary's route. The trip would cover a distance of about 3,000 miles.

Before leaving for home, the governor-general desires to be able to say that he has visited all parts of Canada. Already his idea is so to a much greater extent than any of his predecessors. He wishes to see the great northwestern country through to the Arctic ocean, and if the present plans carry, will attain that end.

Preliminary arrangements have already been considered and his expediency is strongly hoping that he will be able to go. It will also be a great advertisement for that part of Canada whose resources are reported on, but of which much is to be learned. The trip would cover a period of about three months and would necessarily be in the summer season. His excellency will be leaving for England in the fall.

REDISTRIBUTION

United States Congress Will Act on Recent Census.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The passage of a law fixing the basis of representation in the House of Representatives is practically a certainty at the present session of congress, according to Chairman Crumpacker of the House committee on census. Crumpacker said today that his committee was preparing a bill based on the new census that would place the number of congressmen at about 400. Crumpacker had a long conference with Champ Clark in regard to the proposed measure.

FOR CHILDREN'S SAKE

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 23.—The regents of the University of Washington have announced their acceptance of the \$50,000 bequest left by the late Abraham and Sigmund Schwabacher, of San Francisco. The money is to be devoted to the establishment of a child welfare bureau in the department of education. The donation is made through the efforts of Mrs. Nathan Eckstein, of Seattle, a daughter of Abraham Schwabacher.

BIG CHINESE LOAN IS HANGING FIRE

Now Stuck on Point as to Who Shall Be Financial Adviser

Pekin, Dec. 23.—The government has not yet come to terms with the American financial syndicate over the proposed loan of \$50,000,000 to be used by China in furthering currency reforms and other interests of the empire.

The final difficulty in the way appears to be in the matter of the appointment of a financial adviser, in China, who will be in a position to influence the expenditures.

When the tentative agreement for the loan was made the Chinese evidently assumed that the adviser would be a figurehead, the acceptance or rejection of whose advice would be optional with them. Now, however, they are unwilling to proceed on this assumption. Willard D. Straight, the representative of the syndicate, has endeavored to dispel any uneasiness that the government may feel on this point, and in doing so has been supported by the administration.

There is no doubt that some suspicion was aroused by the alliance of the Americans with the European banking groups and Mr. Straight's proposal that in the future the English, German and French banks be permitted to participate in the Chinese loan.

The Imperial Assembly is supporting the government in its attitude. The delegates are anxious lest the officials of the government will make unjustified use of borrowed funds, but their chief fear is of international influence upon the government as a consequence of financial agreements.

The government probably could obtain smaller and uncontrolled loans, though at less advantageous terms. In fact several agents of bankers not participating in the American syndicate are here, and it is believed they have opened negotiations. The diplomats in Peking appear to be of the opinion that repayment loans will avail for some months, after which a recourse to serious loans will be unavoidable.

The newspapers significantly publish the new plan for currency reforms on a silver basis bringing out the fact that the plan requires for its accomplishment only \$10,000,000.

SPANISH CHAMBER OBSTRUCTION

Madrid, Dec. 23.—The discussion of the "padlock bill" was resumed in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday. The Catholic members, following their tactics of obstruction, introduced endless amendments. Premier Canalejas then moved that the Chamber sit until the bill was voted. This motion was adopted and the session continued until daybreak.

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PROPER VIEW OF REGULATIONS
BRITISH WRITER ON SELECT IMMIGRATION

Defends the Canadian People for Barring Out Undesirables From Their Home Land

In view of the criticism—much of it uninformed, wild and taking no account of Canada's side of the case—which has been levelled at the restrictive regulations of the Canadian immigration department it is a pleasure to find on English newspapers who write of them in a common-sense fashion: "Under the caption: 'Canadian Immigration: Is Restriction Justifiable?' Denis Crane writes as follows in the Evening Standard and St. James Gazette:

The revised regulations respecting immigration passed by the Canadian government have by their alleged severity caused some misgivings in English minds, and in certain quarters have even evoked protest. It is naturally repugnant to the Britisher that restriction should be placed on the free movement of any of His Majesty's subjects from one part of the Empire to another, and it is perhaps equally natural, should general restrictive measures be shown to be necessary in regard to immigrants, to contend that British subjects should be exempt from such provisions. It is well, however, while considering the Englishman's rights, to remember also his duties, or at least that primary one of conceding to an opposing party what he very properly is not slow to claim for himself—namely, fair play; and to recognize that the King's Canadian subjects have rights and feelings calling for respect equally with his own. Some of these rights and feelings find expression in the new regulations, and before attacking them it is obligatory upon us at least to try and understand them from the Canadian point of view.

The main provision to which exception is taken is that which requires every immigrant, during the period from March 1 to October 31, to have in his possession \$25, and from November 1 to the last day in February \$50, in addition to a railway ticket or the price of one to his destination, unless he is going to assured employment on a farm, or, in case of a female immigrant, to assured employment at domestic work.

This regulation, on first sight, not only appears to run counter to our national ideas of freedom, but also, it is urged, effectively prevents many Brit-

sources to keep within bounds, has been thoroughly learned, and the Canadian is determined that, come what may, that experience shall not be repeated.

The after-effects of this invasion of the south will linger. In certain parts of the Dominion, especially among employers of unskilled labor, there exists a distinct prejudice against the English laborer. The present writer, in the course of an extensive inquiry into immigration conditions, more than once heard an opponent in a heated dispute dubbed, as a crowning insult, a "sanctuary Englishman."

Ask any well-informed Canadian the reason of this prejudice, and he will tell you that, until the large immigration movement of recent years, almost the only Englishmen with whom he came in contact were the tourist, the remittance man, and the pauper. The tourist, never perhaps in any age of country a very tractable person, hardly made it his business to understand the Canadian, while the Canadian, proud of his country and full of its praises, was unduly sensitive to passing criticism, with the result that relations between the two rarely became cordial. The remittance man was also facts a dead-head. Cast on his own resources he might have proved a national asset, but so long as the remittance came he saw no incentive to work, and frequently became a social pest. As to the pauper, he came not as one whose restless and adventurous spirit drove him to conquer new territory and to pluck from the overflowing lap of Fortune a competence for himself and his children, but as one who had failed at home, and whom some charitable agency had shipped over as much for his own relief as for his advancement. Other Englishmen, of course, there were, of the best type, and some of Canada's greatest industries are the fruit of their coming, but they were outnumbered by the less desirable.

It is only fair to say that as the direct result of the selective policy pursued since 1867 the Canadian complaints as to the character of the immigrants to the Dominion, which in 1867 had been a consideration of immigration effort by the government, have ceased. There is now nothing but praise for the immigrants, and especially those from Great Britain, of the past two years. At first the imposition of the restrictions had a noticeable effect in lessening the movement, but it rapidly recovered, and this year the migration is larger than ever before, and at the same time is, from the Canadian standpoint, absolutely satisfactory.

In the light of experience, then, is it unreasonable that the Dominion government, understanding, as he at home cannot understand, the exact nature and duration of Canada's industrial needs, and anxious to avoid the social and other ills so widely exemplified in England, insists that those who enter the country shall be reasonably capable of standing its climatic and labor tests, and possess the wherewithal to maintain themselves and their families until they shall have secured employment? For it should be borne in mind that although there is, during the summer months, a large demand for skilled and

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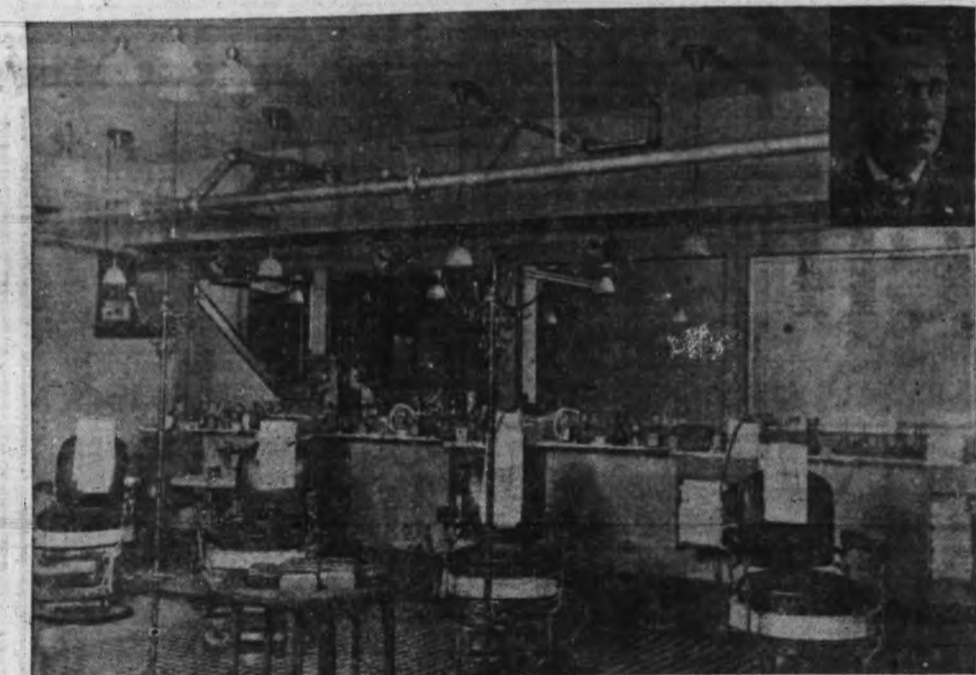
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ish workmen from emigrating to new fields of industry, where they will find relief from the distressing conditions that afflict them at home.

The Canadian's answer is that no one can know the needs of his country better than himself, and that the regulation in question has been reluctantly adopted in self-defence. The lesson of 1897-8, when the influx of immigrants—many of them totally unfit for Canadian life—was such as to glut the labor market, and set up in a new country, possessing neither poor laws or other machinery for the relief of distress, evils which at home it takes all our re-

unskilled labor in the building trade, and for unskilled labor in railway construction works, during from three to five months of winter, these sources of employment are practically shut down.

If, therefore, a laborer coming out in the spring does not immediately need his little reserve of dollars, he is likely enough to need it in the winter, if only for the purchase of clothing—a somewhat expensive article—warmer than he would need at home.

Moreover, the Canadian may very well ask: If you have in England no so helpless or undesirable that you are prepared to spend money to send them

much to blame for the emigration of people unequal to the demands of Canadian life as are charitable agencies. They have painted in glowing colors the natural resources of the country and told of the riches acquired in a few years by men of average endowment; and their picture is perfectly true, as far as it goes. Only they have not been so careful to state that those great natural resources are accessible only to the hard worker, and that in Canada dollars do not, any more than in England, lie about the streets.

As a matter of fact, any man, especially if he has a family, who is doing well at home, should think more than the proverbial twice before he throws up his position to try his fortune in a strange land. Large sums are amassed in Canada only by the speculator, the founder of new industries, and the farmer with capital and an indomitable will. Farm hands, domestic servants, and a limited number of laborers, skilled and unskilled, are certain of a good living, though work is harder than at home. They have this recompense, however, that rewards are proportionately greater.

Against the Englishman, as such, there is of course in Canada no prejudice whatever. Quite the contrary. Canada wants him. Only who shall blame her if she prefers the honest, sober, industrious type?

"There are Englishmen in England," our Canadian friends will remind us, "who have made their land the most beautiful, the best cultivated, and the best governed country in the world, and placed it at the head of the nations in industry, trade, and finance. And there are Englishmen in England who are paupers and criminals by birth.

out to us, how can you expect us to be willing to receive them with open arms? Admitting that some of them, under the wider possibilities and freer life of our new country, may turn out well, it is fair to expect us to support them if they do not? Yet all we ask is that they shall come to us physically fit and possessed of a very modest sum for the satisfaction of their immediate wants.

Irresponsible writers are perhaps as

We speak of both as we find them. If the 'one class' comes here, we have nothing but good to say of them, and their coming is bound to be of equal advantage to them and to us; whereas the coming of the others means no advantage to either, for their disability is in themselves rather than in their surroundings. No rigid line can be drawn between the two. There will always be among the unemployed victims of misfortune, just as there will be among the successful those who have been raised to affluence by circumstances rather than by merit. But speaking generally, the man who is good in England is good in Canada, and vice versa, provided always that our opportunities—for exercising his particular gifts are equivalent.

If we on this side will only leave the Canadian alone and allow them to order their household according to their own ideas—ideas disinterestedly loyal, whatever else they may be—the lingering prejudice against the English laborer will speedily disappear. The Canadian is as anxious as we that our good name should be re-established, and he perceives what many on this side fail to perceive—that if it is to England's interest to develop this great country, that country must have the right population, one that will aid, not retard, its progress.

There need be no fear, the new regulations, notwithstanding, that the immigration officials will deport the Englishman who gives them good reason to suppose he means business; no one personally familiar with their methods and the care and unflinching courtesy—amounting frequently to positive kindness—with which they discharge their arduous and difficult duties, could for a moment entertain such a fear.

As it is the officers at the various ports are invested with considerable discretionary powers, powers which it has yet to be proved they have in a

single instance abused while the fact that the government spends annually something approaching \$300,000 on public works in this country and in smoothing the path of the British immigrant, should be conclusive evidence that no steps will be taken tending to deter emigration from these islands, unless such steps are considered absolutely necessary.

As to the popular plaint that the Dominion wants only our best men, the case is more correctly stated in the words of a typical Canadian, "We don't ask to buy the horse that wins the race," said he, "much as we should like it. We will be glad to get the horse that is only a nose behind. But you want us to take the horse that never started."

(Note.—The writer overlooked the fact that provision is made for exemption in regard to the money qualifications not only as he stated for farm laborers and domestics, going to assured employment, but also for the following, who have the means of reaching relatives who are able and willing to support them, viz: wife going to husband, child going to parent, brother or sister going to brother, minor going to married or independent sister, parent going to son or daughter.—Ed. Times.)

SEATTLE'S RECORD MAIL.
Seattle, Wash., Dec. 23.—Yesterday was the biggest day in history for the Seattle post office. Exactly 12,000 more letters were mailed than on any other day. Total number of letters posted was 18,400, and nearly 2,000 registered pieces have been sent out every day since Monday.

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CHILDREN'S AID IS DOING NOBLE WORK

Gratifying Reports Presented at a Meeting Held in City Council Chamber

The Children's Aid Society met on Wednesday afternoon at the city hall, the president, Charles Hayward, in the chair. The cases of several children and their environments were discussed, and action determined.

The secretary reported that in many instances the home conditions were greatly improved by an occasional visit, when sympathy, kindness and suggestion, remedied the careless, unwholesome atmosphere of the surroundings of both the children and the parents.

Several cases were cited where husbands and wives were reconciled, after suitable changes in the home, when children who had been given to the care of the society were restored to the parents.

The improvement in all the children under the care of the children's Aid Home was marvelous, the matron being a specialist in appealing to the best instincts and impulses in the individual child. One lad of 12 who was turned over to the society as incorrigible, and whom the police found difficult to take to the Home, is proving to be a splendid lad, and has asked for permission to remain in the Home for some time. Two smaller lads who were hardened truants and constantly getting into trouble of all sorts, are now most trustworthy, and developing into very manly boys.

The work of the society is far reaching in its helpfulness, and while the city partly supports this worthy institution, the amount given does not nearly cover the expenses entailed, the treasurer not having sufficient funds to cover the expenditure for the year. A cash donation of \$10 from Mrs. Henry Croft was also reported by the secretary.

tary; and the hope was expressed that at this season of the year a number of others would kindly remember those less fortunate than themselves, and assist in helping some of the boys and girls of the city to become good citizens.

TEMPTED BY TREACLE

Pine Moose Finds That Sweet Trail Leads to Death.

A too eager appetite for treacle was the cause of a moose tragedy which seemed specially provided for the entertainment of the passengers by the Christmas steamship express which arrived at Montreal from Winnipeg a few days ago.

As the heavily-laden express, with nearly three hundred passengers on board, came to a stop, amid the glittering silvery snow that covered the brown precipitous banks of a gully which is spanned by a steel bridge, between Otter and Missisquoi, sixty-five miles west of Chateaufort, strange, unearthly sounds, something between fearful howls and yells, reverberated in the clear air.

While the passengers were wondering what strange thing had happened in the solitude, the brakeman was seen rushing forward with a rifle, and in an instant another sound, the sharp report of a Winchester, varied the strange noises of the December morning. Then there was stillness.

A little later the carcass of a large moose was being dragged to the baggage car.

The full explanation came later. The leakage from a treacle cask in a freight train had smeared and sweetened the snow at the side of the track near the edge of the gully, and the moose wandering about the gulch, had lapped the sweetened snow. He followed the delicacy too far, for in the lattice work of the bridge his great head and antlers were pinned and held secure. As the train from the west approached the ravine the engine-driver and fireman heard the terrific growls and saw the writhing of the animal in torture. They stopped the train to secure so rare a prize for the dining car, and at the same time put an end to the agony of that monarch of the wilds.



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PREPARATIONS FOR DECENNIAL CENSUS

Just One Hundred Years Since First Count Was Made in England

To count London's millions for the purpose of sorting them out into groups of males and females, fathers, mothers, children, deaf, dumb, blind, mad or otherwise, on Sunday, April 2, 1911, the large staff at the census office is working overtime.

Behind the Tate gallery, in a temporary building of wood and iron, the officials sit at large tables, glancing over ordinance survey maps, fixing the boundaries of registration districts, and sending out millions of blue paper forms, by which the great numbering of the people will be made.

These schedules go to the registrars, who are enumerators in the various districts, and London, the wealthiest and most populous of all, will have quite an army of officials pressed into the civil service of the census week.

This is the first census of the twentieth century. The first English census was taken exactly 100 years ago. The growth of the population in a hundred years will be an interesting feature shown in the return.

When Thomas Potter, a son of the Archbishop of Canterbury, first promised in parliament that a "numbering of the people, of the marriages, births and deaths, and of the people receiving alms," should be taken, the country became alarmed. One opponent of the bill (a Mr. Thornton, the member for York) said:

"I did not believe that there was any set of men, or indeed, any individual of the human species, so presumptuous or so abandoned as to make the proposal we have just heard—I hold this object to be totally subversive of the last remains of English liberty."

"Moreover, a registry of our people will acquaint our enemies abroad with our weakness."

Opposed generally, the bill was thrown out, and the proposal was not renewed until half a century later.

ROYAL TOMB.

Italian Government Securing Copies of Art Marble From Westminster Abbey.

It is not often that Italy goes to England in search of art treasures, but the Italian government has for some time desired to obtain copies of certain marble work in Westminster Abbey.

Cavaliere C. Formilli recently placed an exhibition, at the Royal Institute of Architects, in London, a complete set of copies of the Shrine of Edward the Confessor, as modified in the thirteenth century. When a tomb was needed for King Henry III., the famous Cosmati marble workers of Rome were invited to build the present shrine, and to lay down the pavement which surrounds it. The copies of this work, which have been made under the direction of Cavaliere Formilli, are to be placed eventually in the new museum of marble workers in Rome, for which they have been ordered by the Italian government.

When exhibiting his work Cavaliere Formilli showed a series of lantern slides, demonstrating the remarkable work carried out by the Cosmati in Italy. Afterwards the Italian ambassador expressed his thanks to the Dean of Westminster for allowing the important work of reproduction to be carried out in the Abbey.

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SET OUT LOGGED LAND TO ORCHARDS

Canyon City Lumber Company Has Far Reaching Scheme

Nelson, Dec. 22.—If the present plans of the Canyon City Lumber company are carried out, their present large limits will eventually all be converted into orchard, or all that portion that is adapted for the purpose. C. O. Rodgers, secretary-treasurer and managing director of the company, when in Nelson unfolded his plans to W. R. Haldane, general freight agent of the C. P. R.

The company's mill, which is winter running, and has a cut of 7,000,000 feet, is situated at Canyon City, three miles east of Creston, and the company's limits are 12,500 acres in extent. The greater part of this great tract is the common soil of the famous Creston fruit district, and in fact, Mr. Rodgers plans to bring something over 3500 acres under his scheme. His proposal is to take the land as fast as it is logged off, clear it, prepare it, and set it out to orchard. In pursuance of this idea, the land logged off and cleared in 1909 was planted to fruit the past season. From now on, Mr. Rodgers expects to log from 300 to 400 acres per year, and as fast as this proceeds, the clearing outfit will follow. As 500 acres, set out at 100 trees per acre, each tree at seven years producing four boxes, will produce at 600 boxes per acre, some 6000 carloads, it can be seen that there will be something doing in the future on this particularly fertile land. Mr. Rodgers' idea is to prepare the land most carefully, set it out to approved varieties and take care of the young orchard till it is coming into bearing, not placing it on the market until that stage is reached. This will eliminate the case of the rancher who, through carelessness not to lose time, rushes his trees into the ground with insufficient preparation.

Including the men working for the company, and including 60 heads of families who are settlers, there are 400 people now living in the Canyon City community. Some 2000 trees were set out the past year. Mr. Rodgers the past season employed a stumping machine which cost \$4000, and which has four times the power of the ordinary donkey engine.

The Canyon City Lumber company has solved the fire problem, as the clearing of land immediately after logging disposes of the food on which fires feed. D. W. Briggs, of Saguaw, Mich., of the well known firm of Briggs & Cooper, is president of the company, and his partner, James Cooper is vice-president.

PRINCE RUPERT BOARD OF TRADE

Av. J. Morris Unanimously Re-Elected President—Annual Reports Submitted

Prince Rupert, Dec. 22.—A. J. Morris was unanimously re-elected president of the board of trade a few days ago. His report showed that from January 1 to November 30, the duties collected amounted to \$91,922.24. The vessels inward from the sea totalled in number 207, while vessels outward to sea totalled 255. Coastwise inward, there were 1,150 vessels. The increase in tonnage was very large indeed. In the year 1909 the tonnage was 12,640 while in the year 1910 it jumped to 29,506.

The report of the secretary, M. M. Stephens, showed \$190.50 on hand, with liabilities of \$169.55. There was an asset of \$48.55, being dues from suspended members.

J. A. Kirkpatrick was elected vice-president, and M. M. Stevens was re-elected secretary, this honor being unanimous.

THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL OF THE BOARD OF TRADE WAS ELECTED:

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ORE OUTPUT IN BOUNDARY.

Phoenix, Dec. 22.—The ore shipment from mines in the Boundary district during the past week total 32,173 tons; the largest weekly output for nearly a year, and brings output for the year to date up to 1,614,580 tons, which exceeds any past yearly record. The output during the week was: Granby, 21,355 tons; Mother Lode, 8,128; Rawhide, 4,600; Snowshoe, 2,600; Jack Pot, 450; Number Seven, 175. The Granby smelter treated 21,775 tons of ore this week, making in total for the year to date, 266,648 tons. The British Columbia Copper Company's smelter treated 13,220 tons during the seven days, with a total of 283,767 tons for the year.

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(Special Correspondence.)
Gordon Head, Dec. 22.—A meeting of the Victoria Farmers' Institute was held at the Royal Oak schoolhouse on Saturday with President F. T. Quick in the chair.

PLUNGED INTO CANYON.
Lytton, Dec. 22.—Under the superintendence of John Milton Swartz, the old dock cantilever bridge at Cicco, six miles below Lytton, has been converted into one of three through truss spans. He has had an average of 40 men working all summer.

WATER SYSTEM.
Chilliwack, Dec. 22.—The directors of the Elk Creek Waterworks Company, Limited, of New Westminster, are preparing to expend about \$40,000 towards improving and extending the waterworks system in the valley. It is the intention of the company to put in another main, ten inches in diameter, from the intake and carry it down from Elk Creek to the reservoir on Shannon Mountain.

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KESTREL MET HEAVY WEATHER IN NORTH

Fishery Protection Cruiser Returned to Port Yesterday After Rough Trip

After spending a month cruising off Banks Island, Heceta Straits, which was uneventful, except for dirty weather, the fishery protection cruiser Kestrel, Captain Newcomb, returned to port yesterday. This morning she moved from the inner harbor to Esquimalt to receive orders from the naval department under which the vessel is now operated. It is expected that she will leave to-night for Vancouver, where Christmas Day will be spent and a few days later the vessel will proceed north again.

Captain Newcomb stated that during the whole time they were in Heceta Straits, where they were engaged in chasing a great deal of poaching by American vessels, not one poacher was seen. He attributes this partly to the fact that the heavy weather which has been prevailing there for some time past has prevented the fishing vessels from making an appearance. On several occasions the Kestrel had to seek shelter, the strong gales and big seas buffeting the little cruiser badly. At times heavy snow storms were encountered, and when the vessel left the north the winter had practically set in, ice forming on the rivers and snow falling frequently.

HINDU SAILORS

HAVE BERI-BERI

Crew of Beachy in Tacoma—No Danger of Disease Spreading

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Dec. 23.—Six of the Hindu crew of the steamer Beachy, of the Dollar line, are afflicted with the dread scourge of the Orient, beri-beri, according to the local health authorities, and the vessel, now loading at Tacoma, will be put in quarantine today. One of the stricken men died on Tuesday, and the other five are in a hospital. One is dying to-day.

The Beachy arrived in Puget Sound early in the week, coming from Oriental ports and Panama. A big cargo of iron was landed at Irondale, and the steamer came to Seattle. The cases were reported here as soon as the Beachy arrived.

The health authorities in Tacoma believe there is no danger of the disease spreading.

COOK AND CABIN BOY FIGHT.

Lively Scene on the Steamer Queen Alexandra Wednesday—Cook Uses Knife, Boy a Poker.

With the Japanese cook waving a knife in a most drastic manner and a German cabin boy swinging a poker upon his head, and both attempting to reach the other and administer a knockout on Wednesday last, a battle royal was waged on the deck of the steamer Queen Alexandra, of the Queen line, which docked here last week and which is at present lying at Vancouver. Each of the combatants sent in telling blows, and after defending and attacking alternately, the altercations came to an end, when several of the officers jumped in, and separated the irate seamen. It was discovered that the Japanese had got the best of the battle, as he bore but few marks of the fray, while his sturdy opponent was bleeding badly from a wound inflicted by the knife which the Jap brandished so savagely. The two fighters became enraged through the German boy teasing the cook, who resented such treatment by showing the lad his place.

MARINE NOTES

To receive a thorough overhauling, the steamer Vado of the Boscowitz Steamship Company, will be hauled out on the Victoria Machinery Depot ways in a few days. The steamer is missing a trip to permit the overhauling to take place.

The British steel four-masted barques Torridale and Donna Francisca, both well known on this coast, have recently changed hands. The Torridale, which was owned by J. and A. Roxburgh, Glasgow, was sold to Roberts, Owen & Co., of Liverpool, for about \$16,000, and the Donna Francisca, which was owned by J. Hayes & Co., London, was sold to Germans for about \$30,000.

Frank Waterhouse, of Frank Waterhouse & Co., Seattle, has returned to the Sound after an extended trip to London, Eng., and American cities. While in the Old Land Mr. Waterhouse visited the two new Weir liners, the Luceric, which is now on her way to Victoria, and the Arteric, now in course of construction. He states that they are handsome additions to the present fleet.

A cold storage plant with a capacity of 49 tons is now being installed on the G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert, which returned from the Esquimalt dry dock yesterday and tied up at Pier C. Painters, carpenters and mechanics are now engaged in placing this northern flyer into condition for the 1911 excursion to Hawaii, being undertaken by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

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