

Campbell's Prescription Store... Christmas Goods ARE ARRIVING COR. FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS.

Naval Guns Landed At Capetown From the Battleship Monarch - Will Be Sent Up Country.

The Boer prisoners from the camps to transport.

The Burgers in Cape Colony Are Carrying Off Everything Eatable.

Here in Capetown such business men as are unable to leave are organizing a town guard, composed of the leading citizens.

London, Jan. 4.—The advices received from Capetown this morning are more hopeful, owing to the active recruiting of local forces and a better feeling prevailing in London, based upon the prospects of Lord Roberts taking the reins of war.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, replying to Sir John Gordon Sprague's thanks to the Canadian contingent, cables the Cape Colony Premier as follows: "Canada will be repaid for the little she has done if her example helps to bring peace, harmony and confidence among all Her Majesty's subjects in South Africa."

Attempt Negotiations, and accordingly, in response to a suggestion, Lord Kitchener attended a meeting of the commission on December 21st, and addressed the meeting:

The British battleship Monarch today landed men and guns to relieve the troops for service northward. It is believed the guns will be sent up the country.

He said he was glad to meet the commission, desirous of bringing the war to a speedy conclusion, and assured them that they could rely upon his assistance in every way calculated to further that object.

Five hundred citizens enlisted today, the only one being very active. It is hoped the first batch of mounted men will leave within three days for Worcester. They are to hold the passes of the mountains and to protect the railway tunnel.

Had Fought a Good Fight, and they had been overcome, and there was no dishonor in the leaders recognizing that fact.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Lord Roberts went today from Buckingham Palace to the war office, where he formally took over the work of commander-in-chief of the forces. He will begin attending the war office at regular hours tomorrow.

Go West, Ranch it and rough it and you'll soon get rid of that weak chest and that hacking cough. That is what the doctor said to a young married man with a wife and child.

Queen and the other to Lord Roberts. The Prince of Wales, proposing the health of the Field Marshal, said: "It is my pleasure, on behalf of the Princess and of all the members of the royal family, in the Queen's name, to welcome Lord Roberts."

home from the distant country where he has commanded our gallant army in very difficult and trying circumstances.

Rose to Honor the Toast. Lord Roberts, replying, said: "Your Royal Highness and My Lords and Ladies, and Gentleman, are deeply sensible of the honor Your Royal Highness with the Princess and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught paid me in coming to see me at Paddington Station, and I appreciate very highly the kind and flattering words in which Your Royal Highness has proposed my health."

Took Over Office. London, Jan. 3.—Lord Roberts went today from Buckingham Palace to the war office, where he formally took over the work of commander-in-chief of the forces.

To Assist Baden-Powell. Vancouver, Jan. 3.—Among the guests at the Radcliffe is Captain F. M. Rhodes, a cousin of the celebrated Cecil Rhodes.

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CREW SAVED. Men From Wrecked Steamer Iyden Suffered Severely.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 2.—The British steamer Iyden, Capt. Milneburn, from Hamilton, Dec. 21st, was wrecked at the mouth of the Bay of Islands.

TEN GERMAN KILLED. Cartridge Exploded During the Firing of a Salute.

Tien Tsin, Jan. 2.—Ten Germans were killed and nine wounded at Lei Tung yesterday, through the firing of a salute with a defective cartridge.

The cough of a puff of a railway engine is due to the abrupt emission of waste steam up the chimney. When moving slowly the coughs can, of course, be heard distinctly, but when speed is put on the puffs come out one after the other much more rapidly, and when sixteen coughs a second are produced they cannot be separately distinguished by the ear.

GET INSTANT RELIEF FROM PILES. This most irritating disease originates in ten minutes by using Dr. Ayer's Ointment, and a cure in from three to six days.

State-Owned Telegraph Text of Sir Sandford Fleming's Letter to Hon. Wm. Mulock, Postmaster-General.

Proposal to Connect All Parts of the British Empire By Cable. The following is the text of a letter which Sir Sandford Fleming has forwarded to Hon. William Mulock, postmaster-general:

Overcome Every Obstacle. The vital importance of the fact that the Canadian route between England and Australia is absolutely the only route by which the globe may be girdled by an all-British chain of telegraphs.

Expenditure is Constant. For every hour, and continuous for every mile. The circumstances are entirely different in the case of the telegraph; when once established, equipped with instruments and manned by operators, messages may be transmitted one hundred or one thousand miles, with as much ease and at no greater actual cost than one mile.

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Europe, which corroborate the facts here stated. In one of these letters the effect of the combination is referred to as "medieval thraldom."

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Seal Brand Coffee (1 lb. and 2 lb. cans.) Its Purity is its Strength Flavor and Fragrance its natural attributes. CHASE & SANBORN, MONTREAL AND BOSTON.

The Duke Indignant Queen Wilhelmina's Future Husband Does Not Like His Position Discussed. There Has Been Much Trouble Connected With the Projected Marriage.

New Vancouver Coal Co., LIMITED. NANAIMO B. C. SAMUEL M. ROBINSON, SUPERINTENDENT. Coal Mined by White Labor. New Wellington Coal. Washed Nuts, \$5.00 per ton. Sack and Lump, \$6.50 per ton.

Clocks Don't fail to see the wonderful Clock runs for 400 days with one winding, in window of E. ANDERNACH, 57 YATES STREET.

M. R. SMITH & CO., LD. Dog Biscuits ARE THE BEST. Ask Your Grocer For Them. NEW WELLINGTON COAL. Washed Nuts, \$5.00 per ton. Sack and Lump, \$6.50 per ton.

KINGHAM & CO., 44 Fort Street. Telephone 587. MISS CECILE RUSSELL. ASSOCIATE ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC, LONDON, ENGL.

SEATTLE COAL. Good Household COAL \$6.00 per ton. DRY CEDAR, \$3.50 PER CORD. James Baker & Co. Telephone 407, 53 Belleville Street, Foot of Menzies Street.

Andrew Sheret, Plumber. 102 Fort St. Cor. Blanchard St. Gas, Steam and Hot Water Fitting.

Advertisements and notices on the right margin.

Masonic Banquet

The Officers of Victoria-Columbia Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Installed Last Evening.

Large Number Enjoyed Pleasant Repast After the Ceremony—Mirth and Song.

The installation of officers of Victoria-Columbia Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., was conducted last evening at the Masonic Temple, Douglas street, and was succeeded by a banquet which all present unite in characterizing as one of the most enjoyable they had attended.

Outside, the city was wearing a mantle of snow and the ardor of pedestrians was increased by the knowledge that exercise was essential to resist the chilly advances of the snow queen. Inside, however, all was animation, and even had there been no other warmth-producing means, the enjoyable nature of the proceedings would have proven an irresistible barrier to the inroad of cold.

The first portion of the evening was devoted to the ceremony of installation.

The installing officers were: Grand Master H. H. Watson, assisted by W. Bro. C. Enzor, Sharp, W. Bro. W. B. McKeown, W. Bro. C. McKeown and W. Bro. A. Maxwell Muir.

The following officers were installed: Bro. J. W. Crocker, W. M.; W. Bro. C. D. Mason, I. P. M.; Bro. P. J. Riddell, S. W.; Bro. S. W. Edwards, I. W.; W. Bro. R. G. Brett, treasurer; W. Bro. R. S. Oddy, secretary; Bro. W. K. Houston, S. D.; Bro. F. C. Davidge, J. Q.; Bro. G. D. Christie, D. of C.; Bro. J. Andrews, organist; Bro. R. H. Spelling, I. G.; Bro. W. H. F. Richards, S. G.; Bro. Geo. Lewis, I. S.; Bro. F. Stockham, Tyler.

After the ceremony a very pleasing incident occurred to signalize the proceedings. This was the presentation of a handsome grand master's jewel to W. Bro. C. D. Mason, by Grand Master H. H. Watson in appropriate terms and gratefully acknowledged by the recipient.

The members and friends then adjourned to the banquet hall, where a sumptuous repast had been prepared. The apartment was tastefully decorated, while the table, resplendent in a congruous arrangement of delicacies, was very inviting. With mirth and song the evening was passed, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed himself. The toast list was then taken up and some excellent speeches were made.

"The Queen and Craft" was drunk with the same patriotism distinguishable in similar toasts.

"Grand Lodge of B. C." was proposed by W. Bro. J. W. Crocker in an interesting speech, and was responded to by Grand Master H. H. Watson, of Vancouver, in a very witty and instructing address, giving a history of the craft in British Columbia from its formation to the present day. Grand Junior Warden W. Bro. C. Enzor Sharp also responded in a few well-chosen remarks, and related several amusing incidents in regard to the craft throughout the world. W. Bro. A. M. Muir, grand director of ceremonies, also contributed some well-chosen remarks.

Bro. F. Richardson rendered a comic recitation, which was well received by all present.

W. Bro. C. D. Mason presided the "Newly Installed Officers," and spoke very highly of their ability. He predicted a prosperous future for the lodge. This toast was responded to by Worshipful Master, J. W. Crocker, Senior Warden Bro. J. P. Riddell, Junior Warden S. W. Edwards and the remainder of the new officers.

Bro. W. K. Houston, after a few brief remarks, recited the "Vagabonds" in a creditable manner, which was well received.

W. Bro. R. E. Brett proposed "The President of the United States," which was responded to by Bro. A. Smith, United States consul, in his usual splendid style, narrating several mirth provoking anecdotes. He also eulogized President McKinley in his Masonic career, and extolled the friendly relations that existed between Great Britain and Uncle Sam.

M. W. Bro. A. McKeown proposed the toast to "Sister Lodges" in his usual pleasing manner. He highly complimented the grand master and the grand lodge of British Columbia. This toast was replied to by W. Bro. E. B. Paul, of Vancouver and Quadra Lodge, in a few well-chosen remarks, also by W. Bro. P. J. Bailey, of United Service Lodge, who contributed some very instructive suggestions for the benefit of the craft throughout British Columbia. Bro. H. Smith, of Temple Lodge, Duncan, responded in an interesting speech, and bespoke a great future for Victoria. Mayor Hayward also replied to this toast in an able address, eulogizing Masonry in the province. He also spoke highly of the prospects of Victoria, which were of the brightest. W. Bro. Judge Harrison responded in a few well-chosen remarks.

Junior Warden Bro. S. W. Edwards, in an attractive speech, proposed the toast to the "Visiting Brethren," which was drunk in a hearty manner. The toast was responded to by Bro. McKay, of Ottawa; Bro. Loutit, of Vancouver, and Bro. Fraser, of Jamaica. Senior Warden P. J. Riddell proposed the toast of "Absent Brethren."

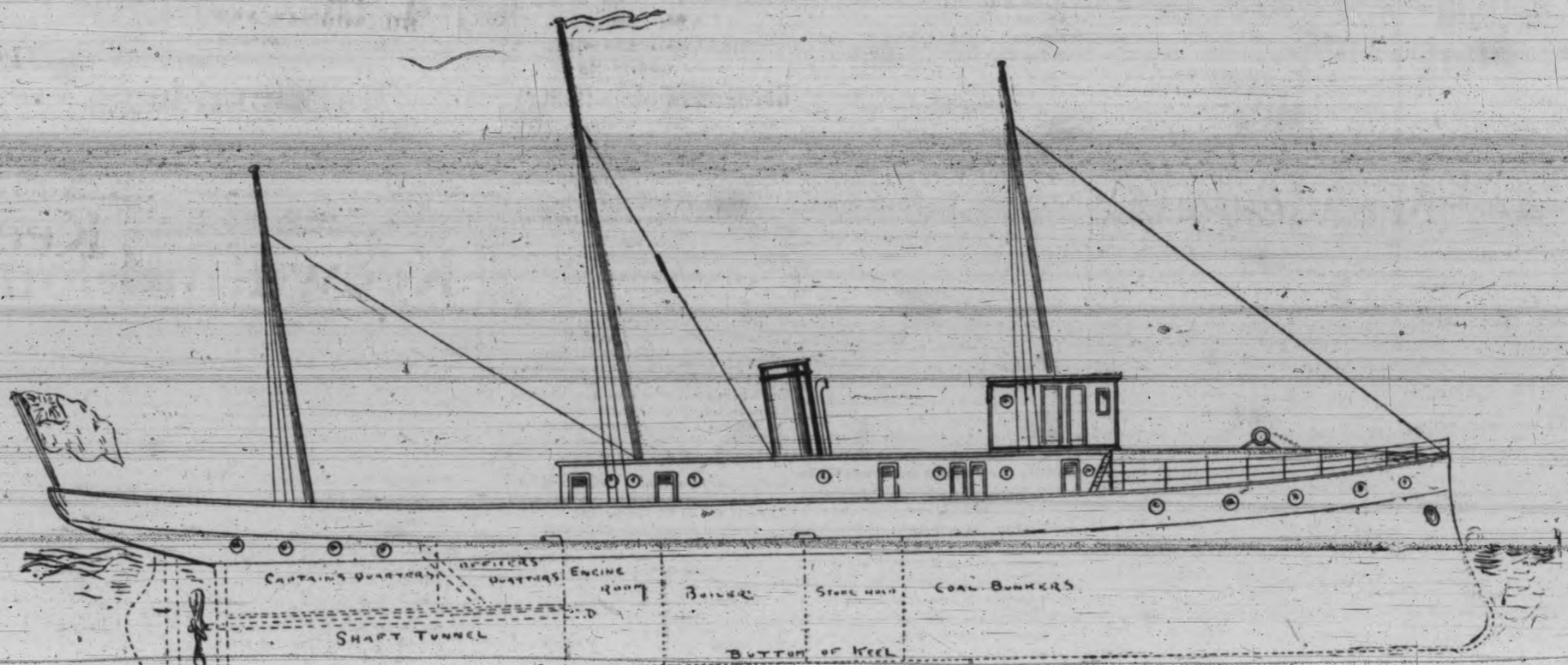
W. Bro. P. J. Bailey took occasion to allude to the exemplary career of the late A. Muir, of Esquimalt, feelingly remarking on the many fine qualities of the departed brother. He referred to the great loss his death has been to the lodge.

Bro. Goodwin rendered a song in a creditable manner, while Bro. F. Richardson rendered "Soldiers of the Queen" in his usual style, which was received with applause and cheers.

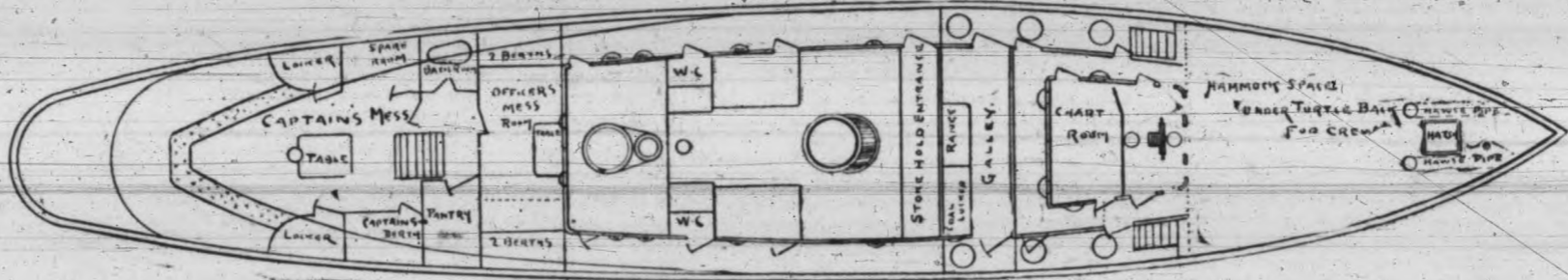
"Tyler's Toast" was proposed by Bro. F. Richardson, after which "Old Lang Syne" was sung, and the company dispersed.

A bulletin from Sydney, C. B., says the officers of the lodge having accepted the terms of the men.

NEW GOVERNMENT VESSELS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA WATERS.



PLAN OF FISHERIES CRUISER



PLAN.

Cuts of the new fishery protection cruisers, contracts for which were let by the Dominion government last week, are presented to readers of the Times today. Work on the building of the new craft will, it is understood, soon commence in Vancouver and in this city re-

spectively. The vessels will be built under Lloyd's rules for the construction of ships, and fitted in every way to meet the requirements of the board of trade and of the Canadian Steamboat Inspection act. They will be built under the supervision of an officer or inspector to be named by the minister of marine and

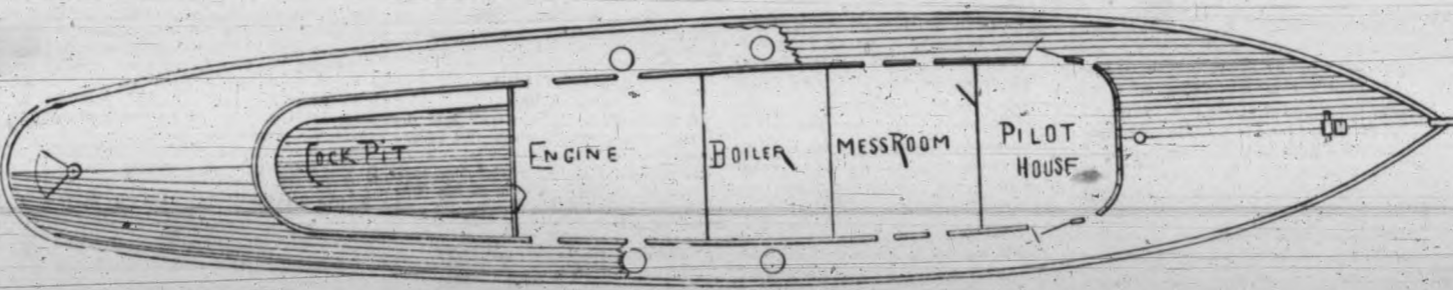
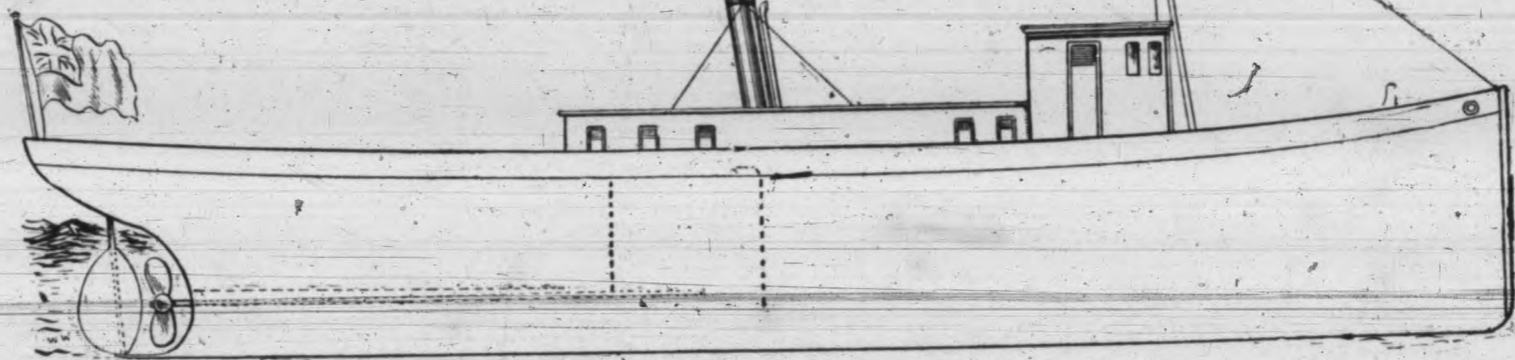
fisheries. The larger of the two will be built at Vancouver at a cost of between \$20,000 and \$70,000. She will be 130 feet long, 24 feet beam and 10 feet depth of hold, or 11 feet moulded depth. She will be constructed of the best seasoned British Columbia timber, with hard wood finish-

ings. Her machinery will also be of the finest and most modern of the kind required that can be obtained, this being a provision called for by the specifications in the hands of Capt. Gaudin, the local agent of marine and fisheries. Other details to be adhered to in the contract have heretofore been described, when the

tenders for the vessels were first invited. The smaller vessel will, as stated, be built here. She will be constructed with the same attention to detail as the larger. The material used in her construction will also be much the same, but being much smaller than the larger

is only to cost in the neighborhood of \$7,000. She will be 60 feet long, with a beam of 11 feet outside, and a moulded depth of 6 feet. Both vessels will be equipped with all modern conveniences, and will, it is calculated, be thoroughly suitable to the fishery protection service.

OUTLINE SKETCH OF STEAM CUTTER FOR FISHERIES PROTECTION



THE GAZETTE.
Announcements Made in the Government Organ Last Night.
The Provincial Gazette, issued last night, contains the following announcements:
A. N. Johnson and Albert E. Mackley have dissolved partnership.
Public highways have been established from Rossland to Trail, from the boundary line north of Northport to Rossland; from Rossland to the Red Mountain railway, and from the C. P. R. station at Notch Hill.
M. de Keyser-Verbiest, of Vancouver; J. G. Collins and H. Carnegie, of Ashcroft, and William Roslington and Albert Ufford, of Vancouver, have formed a company to carry on mining, the firm to be known as the Michael de Keyser-Verbiest Company.
A general meeting of the shareholders of the Grand Forks Lumber, Sash & Door Company will be held at Grand Forks on January 25th.
The Canadian-American Mining Co., of New Whatcom, Wash., has been registered as an extra provincial company. The local office is at New Westminster, with R. E. Reid, solicitor, and a capitalization of \$2,500,000.
Mason and Bradburn, city solicitors, give notice that they will apply at the next session for an act to lease the market building for the terminals of the railway.
During the absence of J. S. Harrison, D. L. McKay has been appointed deputy mining recorder at Westbridge, Upper Kettle River.
The companies incorporated are the Bridge River Developing Co., with a capital of \$75,000; the B. C. Stock Exchange, Ltd., of Victoria, capital \$10,000; Edgewood Dairy Co., Ltd., capital \$25,000; the Steamship Wyfield Co., capital \$200,000; Trade-Budget Co., Ltd., capital \$10,000; and King Solomon Group Mining Co. of British Columbia, capital \$1,500,000.
In 1000 anyone absent from church on Sunday was fined one shilling.

WEDDING AT ESQUIMALT.
Miss Scholefield and Mr. Innes United in Holy Bonds of Matrimony.
St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, was the scene of a very interesting ceremony on Wednesday morning. The occasion was the uniting of Miss Ermengarde Scholefield, of Victoria, and Mr. A. W. V. Innes, of Taylor, Bradburn & Innes, barristers and solicitors, Vancouver, in the holy bonds of matrimony.
The church was very prettily decorated. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. E. Enzor Sharpe (pastor of the church), and Rev. E. G. Miller. The groom was supported by Mr. Chaffecott, of Salt Spring Island, while the bridesmaids were Miss Vivien Scholefield, sister of the bride, and Miss M. E. Roberts, of Kuper Island.
The bride, who was given away by her brother, Ethelbert Scholefield, was dressed in a handsome costume of white satin. The bridesmaids were prettily dressed in white organdie and black velvet picture

hats. Mrs. Scholefield was also very prettily dressed in a purple costume trimmed with velvet. The bride received a handsome diamond brooch from the groom, while the bridesmaids were also recipients of two very pretty brooches. The following were the guests at the reception held at the residence of Mrs. Scholefield, Dallas road, in the afternoon: Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Salt Spring Island; Mr. and Mrs. C. Innes; Mr. Taylor, of Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Bradburn; Mrs. Pooley; Mrs. Gillespie; Mrs. Powell; Dr. and Mrs. Durston, of H. M. S. Warspite; Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton; the Lord Bishop of Columbia; Canon Beauland; Miss Dorothy Beauland; Mrs. and Miss Worlock.
The happy couple received many handsome presents, showing the esteem in which they were held by their many friends.
The executive of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association is considering the question of a revival of tobogganing this season.

SAW DEATH NEAR.
"It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, Tenn., "to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak and sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with consumption that no medicine or earthly help could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery and persistent use of this excellent medicine saved her life." It's absolutely guaranteed for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma and all Throat and Lung diseases. 50c. and \$1.00 at F. W. Fawcett & Co. Trial bottle free.
A Montreal Star cablegram from London says: "British underwriters are much concerned over the cabled announcement of the formation of a Canadian Lloyd's. The Financier says today that it would be well for English companies to exercise caution in discriminating against St. Lawrence ports, and deal with the Canadians, if not in a generous, at least in a fair manner. The

DEAD.
"It's sometimes said business is dead, but this is never so with us things are always moving. Our prices and quality of goods does it. Prove for yourselves."
W. B. SHAKESPEARE
The Jeweller, 74 Yates St.
WARNING
Good prospects for a hard winter, so buy a stove. A lot of second-hand stoves at Fred's Curiosity Shop. Please call and examine.
FRED'S CURIOSITY SHOP,
91 Yates Street.

profits of underwriting in connection with the St. Lawrence channel, aids the Financier, may as well come here as go elsewhere."

The New Vancouver Coal Mining & Land Co. Limited. Supply from their Nanaimo, Southfield and Protection Island Collieries. Steam House Coal.

The Daily Times. Published every day (except Sunday) by the Times Printing & Publishing Co. W. Templeman, Manager. Offices: 26 Broad Street.

In Great Britain the government views and operates the telegraphs in connection with the post office, and in the new commonwealths of Australia and South Africa no doubt the same course will be followed.

been made one in the bonds of a confederation. The reason is that there is no demand for this news in the United States, our press reports are made up there and we are obliged to accept what they choose to give us.

turned in the same direction, but there is one little matter they would be pleased to see the Premier attend to before it is too late. The objectionable elements are still in the government, although the day of grace given Mr. Duns-

DEWILLE, SONS & CO., GROCERS, HILLSIDE AVENUE. MAKE WHOLESALE Bread and Confectionery.

Lipton's, World's Blend and Star of India Teas. Note, Candies and Christmas Fruits are all ready.

THE MAN BORN BLIND. John Hay. He stood before the Sanhedrin; The scowling rabbi gazed at him;

THE LAVERY OF GRIEF. Bobcaygeon Independent. Dr. Jonathan Robinson, of the Toronto Asylum, made a special request in his will that neither his wife or children should wear mourning.

CONCERNING A FOREIGN FLAG. Guelph Mercury. The Mercury wishes to protest against the indiscriminate use of the United States flag in our decorations on public and private occasions.

AN UNPLEASANT ALTERNATIVE. London Truth. An amusing lapsus lingue reaches me from a suburban church which shall be nameless.

HIS, CERTAINLY. Chicago Tribune. "It is a Rubens, is it not?" said the visitor, turning from an inspection of the painting to the hostess.

BOB'S FRIGHTFUL OREKTY. Toronto Star. V. T. Stead charges Lord Roberts with cruelty in South Africa, and when the case is sifted the evidence will probably be found to consist of the fact that he allowed his soldiers, in several battles, to shoot in the direction of the Boer army.

UNNECESSARY. Mrs. Simson—Here, Willie, while I am away I am going to give you the key to the pantry, just to show you I can trust you.

WHAT HE NEEDED. "Here's a very good book," said the persistent railway bookstall boy—"How to Win a Woman."

CONDENSED BIOGRAPHY OF ABRAHAM. London Jewish World. A schoolboy was asked at an examination to give an account of the patriarch Abraham. He wrote: "He was the father of Lot and he had two wives. One was called Ishmael and the other Hagar. He kept one at home and he turned the other into the desert, where she became a pillar of salt in the daytime and a pillar of fire by night."

BEGINNING AT HOME. "She spends a good deal in charity work, I am told."

SHEARS, SHEARS. For Tailors, Dressmakers, Pappy Hangers, Barbers. HAIR CLIPPERS SPLENDID FOR HOME USE. 78 GOVERNMENT STREET FOX'S

Keewatin Flour. Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Ltd. HAS NO EQUAL. Insist on getting "Five Roses."

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE. Is the Charge Against Thomas Nettis—Remanded Until Saturday—Counter Case. The charge against Thomas Nettis, the proprietor of the Germania saloon on New Year's morning was heard in the police court yesterday afternoon.

CAUSE OF DELAY. As Soon as Floors Are Laid, All Will Be Ready. The delay in commencing active operation at the new pumping station at North Dairy Farm is caused by the work of laying the floors of the engine and boiler rooms, which is now being carried on by the city.

OLD APOTHECARIES. The offences of apothecaries in the Middle Ages were numerous, and the punishment in some cases a whipping. In some cases the improper sale of poisons—that is, except when used by a doctor—was a known offence of reputation, and even then not to put down in a register the name of the doctor and person to whom such prescription containing poison was delivered, was punishable likewise.

GINGER SUFFERERS SHRINK FROM CHLOROFORM AND CUTTING. No Further Need For Dangerous and Painful Operations Since the Introduction of the New Constitutional Treatment. People naturally dread the operating knife, the chloroform and the operating table. More especially is this so in the case of those suffering from cancer, as the most skilled surgeon will tell his patient that he can promise hope of a permanent cure by operation, and that the disease is as likely as not to return within a year.

PHILHARMONIC HALL. One week and Saturday Matinee, starting MONDAY, JANUARY 7. The popular BITTNER THEATRE COY. Opening in Lotta's Great Success, Pawn Ticket 210.

WANTED—Cook in family of two; highest wages to suitable party. Address "Cook," Times Office.

WANTED—A few good city canvassers. Apply at 90 1/2 Douglas street from 3 to 4 p. m.

another apothecary. A barber surgeon might only prescribe for exterior applications "according to surgery," but we are not told what was the penalty in such a case.

THE ONLY THING. He—Nothing could ever come between us, could it, dear? She—I can't think of a single thing, unless I should happen to become engaged to some other man.

MOTHER—Why, children, what's all this noise about? Little Freddy—We've had granpa and Uncle Henry locked in the cupboard for an hour, and when they get a little angrier I'm going to play going into the lions' cage.

EDUCATIONAL. MISS C. O. FOX has re-opened at 36 Mason street. SHORTLAND SCHOOL, 15 Broad street, Shortland. Typewriting, Bookkeeping taught.

ENGINEERS, FOUNDERS AND BOILER MAKERS. MARINE IRON WORKS—Andrew Gray, Engineer, Foundry and Blacksmith, Fombroke street, near Store street. Works telephone 681, residence telephone 100.

SCAVENGERS. JULIUS WEST, General Scavenger, successor to John Dougherty. Yards and cesspools cleaned; contracts made for removal of earth, etc. All orders left with James Bell & Co., Port street, grocery.

SOCIETIES. VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets first Thursday in every month at Mason Temple, Douglas street, at 7:30 p. m. R. S. ODDY, Secretary.

DO NOT WAIT. Until the spring rush comes on before you send your household effects to be cleaned. Remember we can do for you our best attention and satisfaction now. Repairing, renovating, upholstering and carpet cleaning done at moderate prices.

The Key Note. To a Happy New Year. For you may be the fact that you presented your music loving daughter, son or wife with an exquisite musical instrument from our rare stock. Anyhow, members of the family possessed of one of our fine guitars, violins, mandolins or harps cannot but value the home pleasant and cheerful.

JAMESON. Grocer. 33 Fort St.

THE WESTSIDE. ANNUAL WHITEWARE SALE Begins To-Day

See yesterday's "Times" for list of bargains. This is the Greatest Whiteware Sale this City has ever seen. See the windows. January Cheap Sale Also Begins To-Day

Bargains all over the store—Everything reduced in price. THE HUTCHESON COMPANY, LD. Leiser to wait on him. The same committee will wait on the C. P. N. Co. in reference to improved transportation.



OVERCOATS. Yes, that's what we say. We have Overcoats in Whipcords, Meltons, Beavers, Tweeds, Frieses and Serges; double breasted, single breasted, box back and Raglan, in sizes up to 48 inches breast measure. Good value in every one of them.

Boys' Reefers To clear, in Beaver and Scotch Tweed, worth \$4.50, now selling for \$2.00. M'CANDLESS BROS., Oak Hall, 37 Johnson St.

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Victoria, B.C., 31st December, 1900. To the Secretary of the British Columbia Board of Trade, Victoria, B. C. Sir—In accordance with the resolution of the Council of the B. C. Board of Trade of the 11th ult., your committee have made enquiries from the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce, Queensland; the Wellington Chamber of Commerce, New Zealand; the Perth Chamber of Commerce, West Australia; the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, N. S. Wales, and have received full communications from these sources.

Personal. W. Williams, route manager of the Vancouver World, was in the city yesterday in connection with the launching of the Trade Budget, a new business man's paper which he is about to issue.

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Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Jan. 4-5 a.m.—The extensive storm area still hovers over the American Coast, while in Cariboo and the Territories the barometer is abnormally high and the temperature ranges from 20 below zero at Barkerville to 30 below at Hatterfield.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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—Mr. C. F. Olivier will sing at the drill hall concert to-morrow night. —The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Carson will take place from the B. C. Funeral & Furnishing to-morrow afternoon.

—The remains of the late Antonio Vigliani arrived on the steamer State of California last night, and will be interred at Ross Bay cemetery. —Hardy, the blue-jacket who, in a struggle with a shark, lost his arm in the lobby of the Victoria theatre several months ago, accidentally shot himself, has just been released from the hospital. It is understood that proceedings will be instituted against him, and he will in all probability be arrested during the day.

—The three teachers appointed to the teaching staff of the public school at this morning on Wednesday have been assigned positions as follows: Mrs. Wheeler to be principal of the Ross Bay school, Miss Douglas as her assistant and Miss Greenall to the Spring Ridge school, to relieve Miss Winter, who has been granted six months' leave of absence on account of ill-health.

—As the time approaches for the municipal elections the crop of candidates continues to increase. Among those who will in all probability offer for the post of aldermen will be Messrs. Yorke, Bragg, James and Phillips. Dr. Ernest Hall and C. H. Lugin have been asked to stand as school trustees, but neither have so far decided whether or not they will be candidates.

—Yesterday afternoon in the provincial police court the case of Gr. Sweeney, charged with the theft of a watch from Mr. Phillips, of Esquimalt road, was remanded until Saturday. The evidence of Mr. Phillips was taken to the effect that Sweeney had been at his house and looked at his watch to ascertain the time. The evidence of Mr. Day was also taken, after which the hearing was adjourned.

—A special meeting of the city council was held at the city hall yesterday afternoon, when the consideration of the consolidated by-laws was resumed. The proceedings were eventually adjourned until this evening. There is still a large amount of work on the by-law to be completed, and the council is desirous of pushing it as fast as possible in order that it may be finished within the present term.

—At the meeting of the W. C. T. U. held yesterday afternoon, the members were obliged reluctantly to accept the resignation of Mrs. Jenkins, the president, who, owing to ill-health and her intended removal from the city, asked to be relieved of the duties of that office. Mrs. Fleming was selected to fill the office for the remainder of the term. The next meeting of the union will be held at the residence of Mrs. McMillan, Corporation street, on Thursday, at 3 o'clock.

—On account of the unsatisfactory state of the weather last evening the assault-at-arms given in the Philharmonic hall was not very well attended, although quite a number of regulars and men from the Fifth Regiment were present. A. C. Deech, under whose management the entertainment was given, had provided as usual for the comfort of those attending by seeing that the hall was well heated. He had also, with his usual foresight, arranged the chairs so that those attending would have no difficulty in witnessing the various scenes. The programme was very successfully given, but perhaps the bout which excited the most enthusiasm was the set to contest between Gunner J. Clark, of No. 19 Co., R. G. A., and A. Gibbs, of the H. M. S. Warspite. The \$25 purse, for which they were fighting, was awarded to Clark. Corporal Clark, Sergeant Major Hollier, Private Bosse and Gunner Beach were among the participants in the programme.

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