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zette this afternoon, referring to the ut-terances of Premier Canovas del Castil-

## OSSISSION THE British-Canadian BUFFETTED BY GALES

Red Cross Steamer Portia Has an Exciting Trip From Halifux to ven Voek

Other Atlantic Steamers Tossed About by Gales - Several Liners Overdue.

Crew of a Light Ship Forced to Take in Their Cables and Seek a Sale Harbor.

New York, Dec. 21.—The belated steamships which laboriously made port yesterday looked frost-bitten and steamships which laboriously made port yesterday looked frost-bitten and brought tales of wrestling with Atlantic gales. There is still a full score of ocean liners overdue, some of them many days. The Red Cross steamer Portia, which came through the sound yesterday, had one of the most exciting and dangerous trips in her history. She rung between St. John and New York, touching at Halifax. Wednesday while ranning for Pollock Rip a terrific storm from the east northeast hurled itself against the Portia. The steamer was at the time crossing the Bay of Fundy. It seemed as though the Portia's bixteen terrified passengers were affected in the waters of the bay bombarding the vessel. The lifeboats of the starboard quarter were smashed in, davit twisted into spirals by the crushing grasp of the roaring seas, bulwarks were levelled at the stern and derricks, stanchions, ventilators and other deck furnishing jammed and knocked out of position. Capt. Farrell hove to for three hours. When the Portia arrived in the vicinity of Pollock Rip the lightship was nowhere to be seen. She bul either been wrested from her moorings by the gale or been offliged to simp cables and run for her life and the lives of her erew, leaving every ship that came her way in danger from the shoats which mark that part of the Massacchu setts coast. Capt. Farrell changed his coasts. Capt. Farrell changed his coasts. Capt. Farrell changed his coast and put right out into the Atlantic 200 miles, steaming around Block Island and entering the sound. The Portia's passengers were joyful at the thought of stepping on something firm again. The Atlas line steamer Alpo, Capt. Long, which left Halifax an hour after the Portia, was headed directly for Sandy Hook She was also hit by the gale and was hove to for thirty-six hours.

AMERICAN STATES DAY

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risk more than Spain. It must not be supposed that Spain is a poor and exhausted country. Witness the satrifices of men and money already made in Cuba and the Philippines. "Spain," said the ambassador, "must be regarded as the outpost of civilization. For centuries she has fought against the inroads of Arabs. To-day she has a two-fold task, to withstand the yellow race in the Philippines and checking the progress of a new race, namely, the Americans, who believe that Europe is decrepid and the future belongs to them. Europe, lowever, is quite young enough to hold our own against America."

Dr. Rergin the Late Member Had Promised to Support Laurier Government.

BIG FIRE IN ST. PAUL.

Cardozow's Furniture Factory Destroyed-Loss \$300,000,

St. Padl, Minn., Dec. 21.—3. vety destructive fire occurred on Saturday in Cardozow's fugniture store in the Ryan annex. Despite the efforts of the firemen—it rapidly spread. The Ryan annex was almost totally destroyed, also the Sbutt block. The Ryan hotel, which is in the block, was not damaged. The total loss will be \$300,000.

### ACROSS THE BORDER

Ma onic Temple at New Brunswick, the Largest Building in Town, Burned.

Engagement of Ambassador Bayard's ngest Daughter to a Paris Architect, Announced.

Buffalo, Déc. 21.—Mrs. Sternman's attorney's failed to get the decision of United States Commissioner Fairchild reversed by Judge Cox. Mrs. Stern-

man is unquestionably to be extradited. Judge Cox practically decided so at Utica on Saturday.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The National bank of Illinois failed to open its doors this morbing. The Chicago clearing house commission has assumed to pay 75 per cent. of all unproved claims. John C. McKean has been appointed receiver.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 21.—A delegation of John V. Kane's friends, headed by his blind son George and his youngest daughter, waited on Governor Morton refused to pardon or commute the sentence of John V. Kane.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—The second week of the sensational trial of Thomas Bram, mate of the barkentine Herbert Fuller, for the murder of his capitain, Charles J. Nash, on board the vessel last July, was opened this morning. Jonathan Spencer, steward of the steames, corroborated the testimony of Monks as to the fluding of the axe which Bram threw overboard.

New York, Dec. 21.—Wall street—Money on call casy at 1½ to 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5 per cent; sterling exchange casy with actual business and bankers bills at \$4.87½ for carried and \$4.83½ for sixty days. Posted rates, \$4.84½, \$4.87 to \$4.88½; commercial bills \$4.82½. Government bonds steadier.

A. P. Collier of Winnipeg Appointed Private Secretary to the Minister of Interior.

Oltawa, Dec. 21. (Special) The Uncwhich he has received from Cornwall and Stormont constituency, which ins been Conservative since 1878, nearly twenty years. The school settle a nt twenty years. The school settled it was the sole issue. The vote has been so complatic as to bury the whole question out of sight. Every township, Catholic, Protestant, English, Scotch, Irish, French-and the riding is a mixed ene-gave majorities against the

Hon, Mr. Tarte asked by the Lines what he thought of the result, replied that it was a vindication and endorsation of the school settlement, despite the frantic appeals of their opposition's to Catholics to vote against to-n Asked what he had to say about his statement that Dr. Bergin, and he lived, was to have supported the government, the minister of public works re-plied that there was no secret about that. Dr. Bergin not only told him that he was going to support the Laurier government, but he told the pr cret of it. He told it to persons in Cornwall and Ottawa, added Mr. Tarte. Toronto, Dec. 21.—The Mail and Em-

pire refers to the Stormont election briefly as follows: The ministerialists

## RODERICK'S ROBBERY

Ge. B McAulay Gives a a Graphic Description of Roderick's Tragic Death.

Strong Evidence of the Man's Guilt Keane shot Him in

and both the man and the plunder could be secured.

"Graham and Keane walked slowly east towards the camp, the former slightly in the lead, carrying a Winchester rifle. Keane had assingle action Colt's revolver strapped to his waist, within easy reach of his right hand. Plan of action was discussed. Keane decided, if the man proved, to be Roderick, to call upon him to surrender. Should he spur his horse or attempt to escape they would shoot the horse and then overpower him. When they reached a point nearly opposite the Lynch rauch, the moon having been darkly veiled by a lank of clouds a few moments previous, the snapping of twigs was heard and then a large object was seen advancing. Strong Extindengent the Nam's Gottle Security apposing the Light speed by the Security apposing the Light speed by the Security apposing the United Security apposing the United Security apposing the United Security apposing the United Security apposing the Security appoints and Security apposing the Securit

house. The revolver was loaded. In the Winchester magazine were nine cartridges. Both weapons were hadly corridges. However, with the ease as to the guilt of Roder reiding equipped himself he returned to the Penticton road, this time evidently taking an old cut-off but overgrown trail across the point of land lying between the abandoned road which he traversed from the shaft house, and headed west, ward again in the direction whence he came to the edge of the camp of friends and former comrades who had opened their purses to him when he had pretended sickness and need, like a thief in the might, and was stealing away in the same manner. Obviously, the builting cache is on the main road, no great distance from the Lyuch cabin, because he returned west on that road when he might have avoided it for half a mile or more by swinging around to it over the abandoned elbow up which he land the might, have avoided it for half a mile or more by swinging around to it over the abandoned elbow up which he land the constables. They held counsel and divided. The constables remained near camp. Keane made the Indian give, up his mount and follow him on foot back to the Greham rendezvous. The Indian was then he cated to make all haste back and seour 'he bush near the Lyuch cabin. The I'd entertained at that time was that, wing to the weight of the builton. Poleriek had cached it, not west of the camp, but east, near the seeme of the kold-up, and that he would conceal his horse at the cabin and pack the builtion on foot by a detour of the camp, which he knew from experience how to do without getting lost. By locating the horse it was thought that ambush could be formed.

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### British Columbia. Activition of the second

Mr. G. B. McDermot has negotiated he sale recently of the Flying Dutch-nan mineral claim in the McMurdo Jasin, to a Rossland capitalist, for 15,000. Assays have been obtained rom this claim running from \$8 to 1100 per ton in gold, the average as-ays being from \$24 to \$64. The Mc-Jurdo district next year will rival the cossland mining district in the production of minerals. Toronto, Montreal, Jitawa, Spokane and Rossland capital-sts are daily making inquiries, in a uiet way, as to properties in this dis-rict. Mr. G. B. McDermot has negotiated

COWICHAN STATION.

Cowichan Station, Dec. 18.—A concert, allowed by a dance was held in the covichan public hall here on Wednessay evening, the object being to raise yme extra funds for the completion of the building. The entertainment proved the the best ever held at Covichan cation. The committee was Messro-layo, Gibbons and Stewart for the programme and Messrs. J. McPherson, J., Caok and E. H. Forrest for the restaments. Mr. Gibbons presided, Mr. tewart was floor manager. The following ladies and gentlemen assisted in carring out the programme: Mrs. Mayo, 1818. Williams, D. Livingston, J. Fall, harlesworth, D. Stewart, Gibbons, lobson, Nightingale and J. McPherson, he ladies and gentlemen who so kindly sested deserve great credit for the first lass manner in which the different arts were rendered. Dancing was then memenced to the music of Messrs. Ranm. J. Grice and Mearns, Refreshents were served between the various usical and dancing parts of the programme.

B. C. Mining Journal.

is expected that a ditch capable of ing 2000 inches of water will be from Baker creek opposite Questo the property of the Menominee Maranete or the Nine Mile claim is often called. The distance will a the neighborhood of ten miles. M. & M. company have a large ant of ground which carries gold in cient-quantities to pay handsomely orking. It was stated last fall by Sawver who was in-charge of the that next season no Chinese be employed by his company. Cottonwood river country has been citing a good deal of attention this in and the company represented by Seymour Baker has secured some and on the banks of the Fraser near unction of the Cottonwood with the cr. This gravel prospects weller ditch line will be nine and amiles in length and will have taloo feet of tunuelling to get on Long's bar at a sufficient is for hydraulicking. Ork was recommenced a few weeks on the Law claim across the river a good force put on, but after ing one week word came to close until further notice. It is expective that work will soon be resumed as Law, the promoter of the proposities to be found by persistent work his place and he is backed by the ort of such eminent authority as Arthur Selvyn, who has several as personally examined this tract.

The Ledge. s said that \$100,000 has been of-for the Arlington on Springer

rge quantity of Enterprise ore dup at the mouth of Ten Mie, as shipment to Omaha.

men are working on the Iron Ten Mile creek, recently bonded neouver parties for \$10,000. les Scheel, the treasurer of the Mining Company, whose propera the Sonth Fork of Kaslo creek, a strike of \$300 per ton. event shipment from the Reed and floot gave smelter returns of 140 in silver and 65 per cent. lead ton. This gives a net profit of the ton and the cheque received apable in gold.

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Farm claims now under bond,
will make \$250,000 that C. W.
an will pay out for the company
four months in the neighborhood
Denver and Silverton.

worked, and we believe when properly sought for, to be found. Many such are now staked and have been for years.

ASHCHOFT.

B. C. Mining Journal.

Messrs. R. Borland and Fred Rose have been appointed administrations of blave been appointed administrations of the first of the 150 Mile Houses. Mr. Johnstone was a resident for very many years in Cariboo and was well known to all old immers.

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### NOTICE.

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WARRESTVILLE.

J. F. Markill, mining engineer, returnation of the asymost of our present mines a return the amount of our present mines are do by hydraulies and the season is ong.

A healthy tone has pervaded street than formerly.

Warrent what is known in responsible to the Golden Engle mine. He did not find the country in shape, owing to the very season and the season is one claims that have been sury to drive what is known in responsible to find some claims that have been sary to drive what is known in responsible to the country in shape, owing to the every examination. He thinks it may be difficult to find some claims that have been staked of late when the snow goes off and that people should use judgment in busing locations under exciting circums stances, as no matter how rich any mine may be it has a limit to its area, and will be examined by the cyanide proquent of the Koeten war, when the real that the find some claims that have been staked within a mile or two of the Golden Engle in does not necessarily follow the country in shape, owing to the country in shape, owing to the Golden Engle mine. He did not find the country in shape, owing to the wery season and the season is not excited that the show was very deep in places on the mountains near Caycosh creek and that the sone was very deep in places on the mountains near Caycosh creek and that the sone was very deep in places on the mountains ne

There is about 80 feet fall from the tapper to the lower side of the bend and a large section of river bad will be craimed when the water is diverted. Mr. Burkholder has some splendid samples of coarse gold taken from the bed rock along the stream.

KAMLOOPS.

Inland Sentinel.

A prospecting party is expected here soon from Fairhaven, Wash., J. P. Commisky, of that place, having been very much impressed with the annear of the occasion of his recent visit.

Messrs. Morgan, Curry and Birch commenced work on Wednesday on the Before the Dawn claim. On prospecting this property it was found that, an immense ledge apparently runs throligh it, the Smuggler and Hepburn's claim. Word comes from Victoria that Jack Hepburn has received \$1,200 cash for a three-quarters interest in his claim on the Sugar Loaf, and that he will result in Scattle, seven barrels to the ton, the cost in Victoria being somewhat ligher. Gypsum fetches \$35 a ton in Victoria. A factory in this town or at Vancouver could turn out 1000 tons for a three-quarters interest in his claim on the Sugar Loaf, and that he will result in Scattle, seven barrels to the ton, the cost in Victoria being somewhat ligher. Gypsum fetches \$35 a ton in Victoria. A factory in this town or at Vancouver could turn out 1000 tons for a three-quarters interest in his claim on the Sugar Loaf, and that he will result in Scattle, seven barrels to the ton, the cost in Victoria being somewhat ligher. Gypsum fetches \$35 a ton in Victoria, and the will result in Scattle, seven barrels to the ton, the cost in Victoria being somewhat lighter. He whole anneant becomes due and bayable within a few months from date. The price agreed upon has not yet been made public, though it is protty well than the will result in Scattle, we and thirty miles up the North Thompson river from Kambayable within a few months from date. The price agreed upon has not

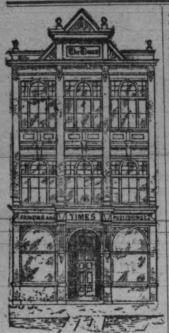
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### The Waily Times.

THE MUNICIPAL LAW.

Attorney-General Eberts has resouded to the application of the Kam pops council for enlightenment on the explexities of the Municipal Clauses Act. In the last number of the Senti-nel is published the following letter sent Hon. Mr. Eberts to Mr Me

Iver, the city clerk:
Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your communication of
the 16th November ult., in which you

D. M. EBERTS,

It is worthy of note that the Hon. At-torney-General's letter is a shade less infident in tone than were the articles of our learned contemporaries, the Coland the News-Advertiser. He admits the existence of "some ambiguity." while the two able editors would not

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elected as an alderman for this municipality?

I am anxious to obtain this information for the members of the present council and for the ratepayers generally, and trust you will favor me with a reply by return mail.

I would also point out that the interpretation of "City Municipality" under Section 1 (f. the "Municipal Elections Act, 180d," is such that the term throughout the act does not apply to this city. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

M. J. McIVER, C.M.C.

Of course this was written before the

Of course this was written before the Kamloops people had an opportunity of reading the articles published by our two learned contemporaries. Otherwise they might have been satisfied as to the

TIME FOR A CHANGE,

perfect state of the law.

worthy of the attention of those who are concerned for the welfare of our community. No doubt many others have pondered over the anomaly of people suffering from hardship and distress in this young and rich country, though all the while they are able and anxious to work for the means of living. "Something is rotten in the State of Denmark," and the people act only of Victoria but of the whole provice are interested in securing the loval of the source of trouble. I

quite certain that if New Zealand's resent policy of devoting the public to the public's benefit were to be copied in British Columbia, it wor now complained of. The per were to unite in the effort.

### SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

The fixed four-one tournament that had been arranged by the Victoria Gold Club for Saturday next has been post-poned to a later date. The fourth

5		Won.	Lost.
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d	E. A. Wolff	. 3	1
	A. Gonnason	. 1	3
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e.	F. Fullager	2	1

Sir. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 16th November ult, in which you say:

"If has been submitted that the Municipal Clauses Act, 1806, which repeals the Municipal Clauses Act, 1802, and amending acts, makes no provision as to the constitution of city municipalities, incorporated previous to the passage of the act of 1806, or as to the qualifications of mayor and aldermen."

You then summarize the effects of section 13 and 14 of the act under discussion, refer briefly to the incorporation of the municipalities of Kamloops, Vernon and Kaslo, and state what you have been advised is the effect of section 3 of the act.

Your attention has not apparently been drawn to sections 6 and 7 of the net which apply to the municipalities mentioned by you, and which, in regard to the matter dealt with in your communication, incorporate and continue the provisions of the Letters Patent, and subject to these provisions of the Letters Patent, rour procedure will be under the Municipal Clauses Act, the effect of section 13 of which you have apparently stated.

However, as there seems to be some ambiguity in the Act relative to the manter dealt with in your communication, incorporate and continue the general conduct of your municipal affairs under the Municipal Clauses Act, the effect of section 3 of which you have apparently stated.

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At the James Bay Athletic Club rooms this evening, a return whist match will be played between the J. B. A. A. and the Conservative Club. The following will represent the J. B. A. A.: H. D. Helmeken, A. J. Pullain, A. C. Anderson, C. L. Wark, J. H. Austin, C. E. Bailey, W. J. Scott, J. K. Macrae, R. W. Clarke, F. A. Gowen, J. M. Miller, F. C. Holden, W. D. Adeu and A. H. Finlaison. The Conservatives will be represented by George Jay, fr., A. S. Potts, E. E. Wootton, G. S. Williams, T. A. Ker, F. Maboney, Thos. Alisop, W. D. McGregor, A. Heathorn, A. J. Walkley, H. E. A. Robertson, P. Jamdeson, E. W. Neusson, Thos. Black. The regular whist tornaument of the J. B. A. A. Club will be held on Wednesday instead of Thursday evening

ASSOCIATION MATCH.

The Barracks Association Football team defeated a team from the Y. M. C. A. on the Barracks grounds on Saturday afternoon, the score being nine to one. The game was more keenly contested than would appear from the score.

next Saturday at the Canteen grounds, and on New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weath and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weath and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weath and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weath and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weathings and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weathings and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weathings and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weathings and the New Year's day the Victorias will meet a team from New Weathings and the Y. M. C. A. S. at Beacon Hill to Saturday, the score being 16 polasts to long the Y. M. C. A. S. at Beacon Hill to Saturday, the score being 16 polasts to long the Y. M. C. A. S. The Whinicipal Clauses Act, 1896, seem not provide for the constitution of councils of municipalities incorporated under any previous act.

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while the two able editors would not acknowledge that the Kamboops uncertainty had the slightest foundation, the Municipal Clauses Act being altogother lovely and free from grave defects. But the most singular fact of all is that even nowthe Kamboops people are in a state of uneasiness, as the following letter, written in reply to that of the Hop. Mr. Eberts by the city clerk, showy:

Siri—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 11th instant. The particular points to which I intended to draw your attention in my communication of the 16th ultimo were perhaps not clearly stated therein, as they are not dealt with in your reply. They are:

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mere good, he knew, and he wondered that there were no places here like the Y. W. C. A. tea rooms in the Australian cities. I have often wondered if that poor girl who tried to make a living by palmistry, having a choice perhaps between starvation and dishonor, as many another woman has, was driven to madness and death through want of food and lack of human sympithy. But these are things that are never known until too late, if they are ever known until too late, if they are ever known at all. They seldom, come out at a coroner's inquest. A young man who came over in the same steamer with me from Australia, and who had been a tedger keeper in a Melbourne bank until it failed, landed at Vancouver full of hope and energy and ambition, thinking to better his condition and send soon for his wife and child to join him in his new home in this "golden west," about which they had fread so minch in the literature distributed throughout Australia and New Zealand by the C. P. R. and the Cer.

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-Many articles suitable for Xmas esents at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 uglas street.

-Blank books, memo, books and a ice line of stationary at wholesale rices, Johnston's, Kirk Block.

-Last Saturday night's Y. M. C. A. concert was well attended and the programme was much appreciated. Elegant Pictures in massive framea; real works of art. Landscapes, postoral acenery, sea sketches, figures, etc., at Weiler Bros.

To-morrow evening the Bishop of Columbia will repeat his interesting lantern lecture on "the Cathedrals of England" in Christ Church school The proceeds will go to swell

A slim pocketbook will not hinder a from having a fine rain coat on ma day for we are selling them at at to clear. John Partridge, Laus-wine House, 86 Yates street. Show in upstairs.

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downe House, 56 Yates street. Show room upstairs.

—Capt. John Panton, R.N.R., communities of the steamship Victoria of the Northern Parific line, was married in Illusion on December lith to Miss Daisy Keedy, second daughter of the late Rev. Wm. Keedy, of London, Englend. Captain and Mrs. Panton have sailed by the Ethopia December 17th for New York. They are expected to arrive here about January, when the Captain will resume command of the Victoria.

The ladies of Hope lodge, No. 1, Degree of Honor, will give a social dance on New Year's eve in the A. O. U. W. Hall. The mesic will be provided by a three-piece orchestra from the Fifth Regiment band. The committee in charge are putting forth every effort to make the affair a success. A fine supper will be provided and nothing will be negacted that will add to the comfort and pleasure of the guests. The lodge holds its regular meeting on Christmas eve.

-Columbia Lodge, No. 2., 1. O. O. F., received two propositions for membership at its last regular meeting, and also conferred the second degree on several members. Next Wednesday evening the first degree will be conferred. The Daughters of Rebekah will at the close of their meeting on Tuesday night, entertain the newly married mambers of their lodge at a tea party. A meeting will be held as two o'clock on Tuesday afternson to make arrailgements for the party.

The San Francisco Board of Health are declared a strict quaranthe gainst the Japanese ports of Yokoman-and-Kole, because of the report-depaydence of smallpox there. The Board of Health recently passed the following resolution: "That the Japanese ports of Yokobama and Kobe are ereby declared infected, and that the marantine officer of the port of San reacts of hereby directed to remand of the United States quarantine station thangel Island for proper disinfection. Il passengers and baggage coming from uses ports. This resolution shall be occustracted as to sply to passengers om Japan coming over the Canadian facilie steamship line via Victoria, B. ... as well as to those who come directthreatening to kill a Chinese weman.

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-Consignment of poultry from Smith's Falls, will arrive in the city by Tuesday's boat. Quality very fine. Can be seen at C. P. N. Wharf. For the trade only.

The following Victoria passengers sailed by the steumer Walla Walla-from San Francisco yesterday morning: Adelph Brewer and wife, Ino. Shewan, John McLeod, H. V. Pagr. G. M. Clough, Miss J. Ray, Miss C. R. Smith.

—Kintograph entertainments, under the anspices of the Salvation Army, will be given at Semple's Hall, Victoria West this evening; at Temperance Hall, Sansich, Tuesday evening; and at the S. A. barracks on Wednesday evening.

Rev. Canon Paddon conducted the services at the funeral of the late William T. Harris which took place from Hayward's undertaking parlors yesterday. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. Nelson, O. Snaith, H. Matthews, J. Bierney, C. Andrews, and C. Craigie.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs of Stanford University, who intended playing at she Victoria theatre next Saturday, have cancelled their engagement. Nothing hus been booked for the theatre until Jan. 20, when The Dazzler' is the attraction, to be followed by "Humanity" on the 25 and 26.

In the last issue of the British Co-lumbia Gazette Archer Martin, as so-licitor for the applicants, gives notice of the intention of a company to apply at the next session of the legislature for an act to incorporate a water, elec-tric and telephone company for Fair-view.

view.

—The funeral of the late Captain John S. Bennett, which took place from the family residence, Richmond avenue, at two o'clock this afternoon was largely attended. The services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. Canon Beaulands. The palibearers were captains William Grant, J. G. Cox. Clarence Cox, James Hughes and Messrs. W. Arbuckle and J. Nortis.

Messrs, W. Arbuckle and J. Norris.

—Joseph Hilliard, aged 74 years, was found dead in his room on Saturday evening. The deceased was one of the pioneers of the province and for a number of years conducted a grotery on Store street. Dr. Crompton, the coroner, decided that an inquest was unnecessary, as the deceased's death was evidently due to natural causes. The funeral will take place from Hanna's parlor's to-morrow afternoon.

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parlor's to-morrow afternoon.

—Mr. Robt. Donaldson and Miss Janet Donaldson were married by Rev. T. J. McCrossan at the residence of the bride's parents, Niagara street, on Saturday erening. Mrs. Gracen supported the bride and the groom was supported by Ms brother, Mr. William Donaldson. During the evening a reception was held. Those present were greatly amused by six amateur ministrels, whose jokes and songs were much appreciated. Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson will make their home on Simcoe street.

Simeoe street.

Lye Yim Chuck appeared before Police Magistrate Macrae with a face looking as though it had been through a threshing machine. Yesterday he broke into a dwelling at 25 Store street and on entering was discovered by the residents, who after administering a sound threshing, torned him over to the police. He was remanded until tomorrow morning, as he wished to consult comusel. This is the same Chinaman who some time ago was arrested for threatening to kill a Chinese woman.

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## THE CAROLENA CASE

Michael M. Sarreault Gives Evidence in Reference to the Prices

He Also Tells of His Meeting With Capt. Alexander MoLean on Monday Last.

ting this morning James Munger, continuing his evidence under the examinawas on the Carolena when she stopped at Clayoquot in 1886 on the way to Beh-ring Sea. Mr. Bechtel was on board, but witness never heard him give any orders to the crew in connection with

To Mr. Dickinson.—He said that A. J. Bechtel married his sister about 18 years ago. He never knew that Mr. Bechtel had any interest in the Carolena. He was brought down, he said, from Ounalaska to Sitka on the steamer St. Paul; he did not know who paid his fare. Mr. Munsie paid his hotel bill in San Francisco and his fare back to Victoria. He never received any payment on account of his lay for that season.

Michael M. Sarrault was called in rebutti, of evidence in the Carolena case. He said he had come to Victoria on Monday afternoon in response to a telegram from Mr. Munsie. In 1886 he was store keeper at Clayoquot for Captain Warren and in May of that year he saw the Carolena there. From four to six canoes were bought at Clayoquot. None of them could be bought for 36 low a price as \$11. The price of canoes wrices at different seasons of the year. At the time these were bought the Indians were very unwilling to sell, as they themselves were using their canoes then. Mr. Bechtel stayed with him when at Clayoquot.

To Mr. Dickinson.—He said he was not present when the bargain was made for the canoes. He habped to put the ribs in them. Mr. Bechtel was present, but gave no directions. The witness related the circumstances of his coming to Victoria and going to Mr. Munsie's house, where he has been staying for some days past under the doctor's care. To Mr Bodwell.—He said that he met Captain A. McLean on the night he arrived at Victoria. Captain McLean then questioned him as to the prices of canoes. He did not tell Captain McLean then questioned him as to the prices of canoes. He did not tell Captain McLean then questioned him as to the prices of canoes. He did not tell Captain McLean then that bought a canoe for Captain Warren similar to those taken on the Carolena for \$S.

Thomas Brown, called as to the proportion of seals lost out of those shot, said that not over-four per cent. were lost.

An adjournment was then taken until 2:30 u'clock this afternoon.

-Kodaks at Fleming Bros., Gov., st. —Weiler Bros., of Fort street, are making special efforts to meet the grow-ing demand in the city and neighbo-hood for useful, handsome and moder ate-priced Xmas Gifts.

Mr. S. Perry Mills held a court of revision and appeal for the coast and other districts this morning. Mr. Thornton Fell, acting for Merrill & Co., raised the point that timber lands should be assessed as real estate, and that they should not be subject to the wild land tax. Mr. Mills reserved judgment.

Margaret Catherine Peden, daughter of Mr. Alex. Peden, died at her father's residence, No. 24 San Juan avenue, last evening. The deceased was a native of Scotland and only 24 years of age. The funeral will take place at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the family residence.

YOUNG TURKISH PARTY.

Leave Constantinople.

Berlin, Dec. 21.-A dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung from Constanti-nople says a rising of the Young Turks nople says a rising of the Young Turks is fragred there. The dispatch also says fifty young Turkish officers have escaped arrest by fleeing from the city and a number of army officers of high rink have been taken to the Yieldis Palace to be tried by court-martial. At the palace it is stated that the usual precaufious for the safety of the Sultan have been doubled and every suspect approaching the palace is arrested.

## DAY'S SHIPPING NEWS

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Even the tides celebrate the Christmas holidays by rising above their normal marks. Ordinarily no apprehension is felt in marine circles because tidal waters show a desire to visit wharves and wavelonses, but this senson the tides are to be plenomenally high and merchants are cauthoned against leaving goods in the lower warehouses. The warehouses in Vigtoria likely to be affected are at the Kingston's dock and what is known as the old Enterprise dock. If the tides prove as high as the expectations of experienced men, these warehouses are almost sure to be flooded. The highest tides will be on Wednesday and Thursday next. These abnormally high tides occur about every ten years, but meteorological men say that next Wednesday's and Thursday's will be the highest on record.

The achooners Annie E. Paint, Capt. A. Bissett, and Geneva, Capt. O'Leary, left this aftertoon on a sealing cruise. The fine of £400 levied by the Admiralty Court by Mr. Justice Drake against the schooner Ainoka has been paid and she has been cleared for a sealing croise, with Capt. George Heater in communid. All will spend some time-off the coast of California before going to Japan.

From the Portland Oregonian it is learned that fur seals are plentiful off the San Francisco Heads. The schoon-er Eppinger took 59 skins the first two days after leaving port.

boat from the schooner Fortuna last night. They probably made for the Am-erican side.

The City of Florence, which has been Esquimalt for some time, has secur-

The Topeka arrived from Alaska at two o'clock yesterday morning and left shortly afterwards for the Sound.

The seilmon ship Cairsnmore leave for England this evening.

SOUTH VICTORIA ELECTORS Hold an Important Meeting at Royal Oak.

Oak.

A well attended meeting of the electors of South Victoria district was held at Réyal Oak on Saturday evening. Mr. John Sluggett was in the chair, and addresses were delivered by Messrs. D. Stephens, Chandler, Jones and other electors, also by Hon, D. M. Eberts, M. P. P. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the rate of assessment in the district. The different electors who spoke held that a just and equitable valuation could not be made by the assessor from his office in Victoria, but he should personally visit the different farms in the district before fixing the values. They pointed out that the assessments were now based upon values of boom days, which were altogether too high, and referred to the fact that at the court of revision held at Royal Oak on Saturday Mr. S. Perry Mills, the presiding judge, allowed about 50 appeals. A resolution was passed asking the government to reduce the valuations for assessment purposes of property throughout the district.

The resolutions passed at the meating held recently at Dunean, were then discussed at length. The resolutions urging that he government build the railway to Koofenay and zm it in the interests of the people, and calling for the appointment of a government official to inspect all the bridges of the province, were carried unanimously.

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ce of Dr. and Mrs. Wortle was

peculiarly unfortunate on that afternoon, as a visitor rode over from a distance to make a call,—a visitor whom they both would have been very glad to welcome, but of whose caming Mrs. Wortle was not so delighted to hear when she was told by Mary that he had spent two or three hours at the roctory. Mrs. Wortle began to think whether the visitor could have known of her intended absence and, the Doctor's. That Mary had not knewn that the visitor was coming she was quite certain. Indeed, she did not really suspect the visitor, who was one too ingennous in his nature to pre-concert so subtle and so woked a scheme. The visitor, of course, had been Lord Carstairs.

"Was he here long?" asked Mrs. Wortle, anxiously.

"Two or three hours, mamma. He rode over from Buttercup, where he is staying for a cricket match, and of course L.got him some lunch."

"It should hope so," said the Doctor. "But I didn't think that Carstairs was so lond of the Momson lot as all that."

Mrs. Wortle at once doubted the declar-depurpose of this visit to Buttercup. Buttercup was more than half-way between Carstairs and Bowiek.

"And then we had a game of lawnennis. Talbot and Monk came through to make sides." So much Mary told at moe, but she did not tell more till she was done with her mother.

Young Carstairs had certainly not come ver on the sity, as we may call it, but evertheless there had been a project in its mind, and fortune had favored him, is was now about nineteen, and had been reated for the last twelve months almost sthough he had been a mon. It had somed to him that there was no possible eason why be should not fall in love as well as another. Nothing more sweet, othing more lovely, nothing more invest, he ad almost made up his mind to speak on the case of the scheme had been a project in its mind, and fortune had favored him in wor the case of the scheme had been a project in the was not be a sake of the Momsons or for a sake of the Momsons or for a sake of the cricket.

He ate his lunch before he said a word, d then, with but

not. There were various reasons which were apparent enough to her though it might be very difficult to make him see them. He was little more than a boy, and had not yet finished his education. His father and mother would not expect him to fall in love, at any rate till the had taken his degree. And they certainly would not expect him to fall in love with the daughter of his tutor. She had an idea that circumstanced as she was, she was bound by loyaity both to her own father and to the lad's father not to be able to love him. She thought that she would find it easy enough to say that she did not love him; but that was not the question. As for being able to love him,—she could not answer that at all.

"Lord Carstairs," she said, severely, "you ought not to have come here when papa and mamma are away."

"I didn't know they were away. I expected to find them here."

"But they ain't. And you ought to go away."

"Why should they be angry? Do you think that I shall not tell them?"

'I am sure they would disapprove it altogether, "said Mary. "In fact it is all nonsense, and you really must go away."

Then she made a decided attempt to enter the house by the drawing-room window, which opened out on a gravel ter-

the window.

"I think you ought to a give me an answer, Mary," he said.

"I have; and I cannot say anything more You must let me go in."

"If they say that it's all right; and papa won't think that it's all right; and papa won't think that it's right. It's very wrong. You haves't been to Oxford yes, and you'll have to remain there for three years. I think it's very ill matured of you to come and talk to me like this. Of course it means nothing. You are only a boy, but yet you ought to know better."

"It doos mean somothing; it means a great deal. As for being a boy, I am older than you are, and have quite as much right to know my own mind."

Hercupon she took advantage of some little movement in his position, and, triping by him hastily, made good her escape into the house. Young Carstairs, perceiving that his occasion for the present was over went into the yard and got upon his horse. He was by no means contented with what he had done, but still be thought that he must have made her understand his purpose.

Mary, when she found herself safe within her own room, could not refrain from asking herself the question which her lover had asked her. Could she love him? She didn't see any reason why she couldn't love him. It would be very nice, she thought, to love him. He was sweet tempered, handsome, bright and thoroughly good humored; and then his position in the world was very high. Not for a moment did she tell herself that she would love him. She did not understand all the differences in the world's ranks quite as well as did her father, but still she felt that because of his rank, because of his rank, because of his rank, because of his rank and his youth combined, she ongly not to allow herself to love him. There was no reason why the son of a peer should not marry the daughter of a clergyman might be equally gentlemen. But young Carstairs had been there in trust. Lord Bracy had sont him there to be taught Latin and Greek, and had a right to expect that he was too good to bring trouble on the people who had tru

daughtor as soon as they were alone together.

"Yes, mamma; it was."

"And so odd. I haven't been away from
home any day all the summer before."

"He expected to find you."

"Of course he did. Had he anything
particular to say?"

"Yes, mamma."

"He bad? What was it, my dear?"

"I was very much surprised, mamma,
but I couldn't help ft. He asked me——"

"Asked you what, Mary?"

"Oh, mamman!" Here she kneil down
and hid her face in her mother's lap.

"Oh, my dear, this is very bad;—very
bad indeed."

"It is deed's be bad for you, mamma; or
for papa."

"Is it bad for you, my child?"
"No, mamma, except of course that I am sorry that it should be so."
"What did you say to him?"
"Of course I told him that it was impossible. He is only a boy, and I told him.

"You made him no promise."
"No, mamma; no! A promise! Oh
dear no! Of course it is impossible. I
knew that. I never dreamed of anything
of the kind; but he said it all out there on.

"He is such a pice boy," said Mrs.
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Wortle, who, in all her anxiety, could not but like the lad the better for having fallen in love with her daughter.
"Yes, mamma; he is. I always liked him. But this is quite out of the question. What would his papa and mamma says".

"How to posses"

"He told her so."

"I did not think the boy had so much spirit in him," said the Doctor. This was a way of looking at it which Mrs. Wortle had not expected. Her husband seemed rather to approve than otherwise of what had been done. At any rate, he had expressed none of that loud horror which she had expected. "Nevertheless," continued the Doctor, "he's a stupil fool for his

"She gave him none. She feels quite

What better could he want?"

"But he is only a boy," said Mrs.
Wortla.

"No; that's where it is And Mary was
quite right to tell him that it is impossible. It is impossible. And I trust, for
her sake, that his words have not touched
her young heart."

"Oh no," said Mrs. Wortla.

"Had it been otherwise, how could we
have been angry with the child?"

Now this did seem to the mother to be
very much in contradiction to that which
the Doctor had himself said when she had
whispored to him that Lord Carstairs's
coming might be dangerous. "I was afraid
of it, as you know," said she.

"His character has altered during the
last twelve months."

"I suppose when boys grow into men is
is so with them."

"Not so quickly. A boy when he leaves
Eton is not generally thinking of these
thinga."

"A boy at Eton is not thrown into such
society," said Mrs. Wortle. "I suppose him
being here and seeing Mary every day has'
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"I don't think she is poor at all," said Mary's mother.

"I am afraid she must not dream of her young loyer,"

"Of course she will not dream of him. She has navor entertained any idea of the kind. There never was a girl with less nonsense of that kind than Mary. When Lord Carstilirs spoke to her to-day, I do not suppose she had thought about 'him more than any other boy that has been here."

"But she will think now."

"No:—not in the least. She knows it is impossible."

"Nevertheless she will think about it. And so will you."

"I'l"

"Yes,—why not? Why should you be different from other mothers? Why should I not think about it as other fathers might do? It is impossible. I wish it were not. For Mary's take. I wish he were three or four years older. But he is as he is, and we know that it is impossible. Nevertheless it is natural that she should think about him. I only hope that she will not think about him too much."

So saying he closed the conversation for that night.

Mary did not think very much about "It' in such a way as to create disappointment. She at once realized the impossibilities, so, far as to perceive that the young lord was the top brick of the chimney may be very desirable, but one doesn't cry for it, because it is unattainable. Therefore Mary did not in truth think of loving her young lover.

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On Friday last all the schools in the rural districts closed for the Christmas holidays. At Oak Bay school, of which Miss Josephine D. Colquhoun is teacher, the children were given presents from a well supplied Christmas tree. "The school room was prettily decorated and there was a large number of visitors. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Wilson, Rev. J. C. Forster and others. The promotions follow:

From chart class to first primer—Gordon Edwards, Clarence McLarty, Herbert Vye, Willie Sutherland and Margaret Rich.

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Elwyn, Beatrice Eden and Ellen W.
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The semi-annual examination of the North Vesuvius public school was held on Friday last. Despite the very disagreeable weather, a large number of narents and friends of the children were present to witness the closing exercises of the school. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. McFadden, Mr. Cotsford, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Nampson, Mrs. Whims, Mr. E. Rossman, Mr. E. Lukiu, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and Mr. Furness. The pupils were examined by the teacher, Miss Katie Furness, and answered very creditably. They dispersed well pleased with the promise of a school party after the opening of the school. After the examination in the different subjects was completed the following programme of recitations and songs was carried out: Recitation. "The Battle of Hohenlinden," Mary E. Rule: recitation, "Soff-Sacrifice," Martha Rule; song, "Kitty Wells," Mary McFadden, May Sampson and Mary Rule: recitation, "Somebody's Mother," Lily F. Sampson; recitation, "Industry," May Richards; song, "The Rose," Bertha Whims, Mary McFadden and Martha Schools and Schools and Mary Mary Mersing programme of recitations and Mary Hulms, Mary McFadden and Martha Whims, Mary McFadden and Martha Whims.

TOLMIE SCHOOL.

A pleasing programme of recitations and songs was rendered by the pupils of Tolmie school at the closing exercises on Friday. A large number of visitors were present. Below are the pro-

motions:
From junior to senior fifth reader,
Miss M. Godson, teacher—Ada Mary
Driver and Louisa Carto.
From senior fourth to junior fifth
reader—James Owens, William Wrathall, Annie Jobson, Rachael Ferguson,
Mabel Liddell and Bernice Peter.
From junior fourth to senior fourthWilliam Gillespie, Henry Driver, Herbert Clarence Caselton and Margaret
Russell.

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Miss G. A. Godson, teacher—From senior third to junior fourth—Margaret Driver, Jennie G. Littlewood, Norman A. Owens, Mary Turner and Robert Ferguson.
From junior third to senior third—Albert Harold Hancock and John Gilles-

bert Harold Hancock and John Gillespie.

From second reader to junior third—
May Agnes Muriel Graham.

Miss E. J. Miller, teacher—From second primer to second reader—Isabella McDonald and Francis Driver.

From first primer to second primer—Rhoda Hancock, Harry Johnson and Maud Owens.

From chart to first primer—Olive Sewell, Ethel Chislett and Jennie Duncan.

Prize List.

Senior Fifth—Dorothy M. Moxon, first in examination; and Alice Maud Turner, attendance and deportment.

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Fred Lide Fred Liddell. Senior Third-Margaret Driver and-Mary Turner. Junior Third-Albert Hancock and

Junior Third—Albert Hancock and Eva Ferguson. Second Reader—May A. M. Graham, and Lottle Grimm. Second Primer—Isabelle McDonald and Francis Driver. First Primer—Rhoda Hancock and Mand Owens.

Chart Class—Olive Sewell and Harold

There was a goodly number of interested spectators at the Goldstream school on Friday when the pupils were dismissed for their holidaya. The children who were examined showed that they had made good progress under the teacher, Miss Harrison, during the past term. After the reading of the promotion lists and the presentation of prizes, short addresses were given by the trustees, Messrs. Phair, Fraser and Rhode. Miss Harrison was tendered a vote of thanks for the antisfactory manner in which she had conducted the school.

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Agitation Arising Out of the Report on Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland.

A Shoplifter Who Did not Get Off eo Easily as Did Mrs., Walter Castle.

London, Dec. 19 .- All the London London, Dec. 19.—All the London Radicals are in sackeloth and ashes at the decisions of the London county council this week regarding the renewal of the lease of the transwars for four-teen years. The Radicals made a hard fight against the renewal, but London, according to the Star, by the decisions of the council, has lost all hope of profiting by electric traction, and has lost 10,000 pounds a year, as the lease was worth 55,000 pounds, instead of 45,000, which the company pays, and has lost all

10,000 pounds a year, as the lease was worth 55,000 pounds, instead of 45,000, which the company pays, and has lost all hope of half-penny fares, which exist on the provincial trainways as well as having no security against an increase of the present fares. The efforts of the Radicals, led by John Burns, were directed toward obtaining better conditions for the employes of the trainway companies, but these steps also failed. The Old Bailey witnessed the trial today of the so-called Italian Countess Emms Ugolini, her fusband and two other Italians for stealing valuable pieces of Italian lace from the west end shop of Peter Robinson. Special interest has been awakened in the case by its general resemblance to that of Mrs. Walter M. Castle, of San Francisco, so far as the method pursued in obtaining the articles was concerned. But the "Countess" had no plea of mental irresponsibility or kleptomania to offer, so she was found guilty together with her husband and two accomplices, but sentence was deferred.

Fugures just published regarding shipbuilding in the United Kingdom during the present year show that this branch of industry is not losing ground. The total tonnage launched was 1,320,822.

Hafrand & Wolff, of Belfast, alone built 81,316 tons, which beats all records, and is five times the amount which all the British dockyards have added to the navy. On the Clyde 420,831 tons were launched, which is an increase of 50,689 over the year 1895. It is said that not a single ship-building yard abroad approaches any of the leading British firms.

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A preliminary meeting of the supporters of the Queen's commemoration fund for placing the Jubilee Institute for Nurses upon a national basis, was held at Grosvenor House on Wednesday. The Duke of Westminster, who presided, read a letter from Miss Florence Nightingale approving the plan. It is stated that atthough subscriptions have not yet been invited, \$90,000 is the amount already on hand. The committee appointed includes the Duke of Westminster, the Duke of Fife, the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Cadogan, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Cardinal Vanghan, Baron Rothschild, the Chief Rabbi and the Governor of the Bank of England.

The agitation arising out of the report of the committee on the financial relations between Great Britain and Ireland is growing space, and the question bids fair to be one of the leading matters to be discussed at the next session of parlament. The Irish Unionists are taking the matter up, and intend to bring the subject of under taxation of Ireland 66-fore parliament at the opening of the session in the form of an amendment to the reply to the speech from the throne, calling upon the state to refund the two and a half million pounds of over-taxation. Col. Saunderson, a Conservative member of North Armagh, is expected to amend the amendment, and there is much speculation, in view of Mr. Morley's attitude, regarding the position which Sir William Harcourt will assume in the matter.

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It is carrently reported here that Fay Templeton, the American actress, is married again. Her desertion of Eldward Erick's company in Montreal, followed immendiately by her departure from America caused surprise. Soon after her arrival here she was frequently seen in company of William Sanderson Brown, familiarly known as "Billy Brown," and rumos believe that the fair Fay is now Mrs. "Billy Brown," Mr. Brown is a New Yorker and a relative of the Wannamakers.

ANOTHER VESSEL ASHORE,

Asioris, Dec. 20.—The German bark Potrimpos, Capt. Hallwey, in ballast from Manzanillo, Mexico, and bound for the Columbia river, stranded at 7 c'clock Saturday morning close to the place where the Strathblane went a shore in 1891, making the fourth vessel to go ashore on this beach during the year. Her officers and crew numbered eighteen and all were saved by the lilwace beach life-saving crew, who arrived on the acene promptly after the disaster occurred. Into the fore their arrival, however, six sailors from the ressel landed in one of the ship's boats. The ship is in good condition, having received no serious lujury while crossing through the surf.

According to the captain's story at daybreak Saturday morning he sighted land, and was on the lookont for a pilot or tug, but the vessel soon became perfectly helpless and diffed on shore. The ship lies broadside on the beach, high—and—dry, but—if—work commenced immediately, and arrangements made so that lines can be pussed out to a tug, it is thought she can be safely pulled off at the next high tide which occurs December 24th. The crew have all gone ashore, and the captain will stay by her until some definite plans are agreed upon. The Cape Disappointment life-saving crew also left for the scene of the wreck on a special train, but arrived too late to assist in landing the crew.

About 4 o'clock the Spreckles tug Relief went around to the scene of the wreck and will make every possible effort to float the vessel. However, in the opinion of old tugmen and pilots of this city, it will be almost impossible for the tug to accomplish anything. She cannot get near enough to the wrecked vessel to put a line aboard without going ashore herself. If by any good chance the Potrimpos has sufficient hawser aboard which hight be pulled out by the life-saving crew and connection might be made, but even that would more than tax the powers of one tug to raise such a long hour proposal a mile in let 5th, out of the water, to say nothing of moving the ship. If lines can be stret

The remains of Mrs. W. A. Chapmen arrived by the Charmer last evening from Medicine Hat and were accompanied by har husband. The funcal took place this afternoon from the residence of the deceased's mother, Mrs. William Powell, and was very largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Solomon Cleaver. The pall-becrers were: Messrs. C. E. Renouf, J. M. McLanchlin, R. Richards, J. Meston, L. Arthur and I Braverman.

### PERSONAL.

Fred. Wells, Rossland, is at the Driard.

J. K. McDonald and wife, are guests at the Driard.

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E. P. Davis and W. Lucey, Vancouver, are at the Driard.

Police Magistrate J. H. Simpson, Nanaino, is registered at the Driard.

P. A. O'Farrell and Sid Norman, Spokane, are registered at the Driard.

F. G. Richards was a passenger on the Charmer from Vancouver last evening.

Hon. Mr. Justice Drake returned from the Mainland on Saturday night.

Captain Baldchild, of the ship Balmoral, at Port Townsend, is at the New England.

F. C. Gamble and R. Collister were passengers on Saturday's Charmer from Vancouver.

The Hon. Justices McCreight and McColl arrived from the Mainland by last the Coll arrived from the Mainland by last collision.

TURKISH REFORMS.

Russian Minister Has'a Long Interview

Constantinople, Dec. 21.—The Russian ambassador, M. Nelidoff, had an hour's audience with the Sultan on Saturday, at which he urged the introduction of reforms and granting annesty to imprisoned Armenians. His Majesty pointed out that the reforms agreed upon by the Powers had already been executed and promised to issue amnesty decrees in a few days. Subsequently the ambassadors met and exchanged views relative to the new geform proposals to be subto the new reform proposals to be submitted to the Sultan.

PROTOCOL NOT POPULAR.

Some Venezuelans Think the United States was Rather Selfish.

New York, Dec. 21.-A special cable disputch to the Herald from Caracas, Venezuela, says: "Minister Andrade and Mr. Storrow, Venezuelan counsel. venezuela, says: Namster Audrane and Mr. Storrow, Venezuelan counsel, will sail on the Caracas when the steamer leaves port. It is rumored that they have the approval of the cabinet of the terms of the protocol upon which the Anglo-Venezuelan treaty will be based. The protocol, however, must be sanctioned by congress before becoming operative. The papers still continue to discuss the protocol. One article, which excited some attention, appeared in the Pregonero. It was written by the former minister of foreign affairs, Dr. Puledo, who criticized the action of the United States with spirit. Dr. Puledo says the American government looked largely to its own interests in arranging the terms with England for the settlement of the boundary dispute in the Yururai and delta territories. He adds that the United States has not fulfilled her promises in the matter. The article also says it is boped and believed in Venezuela that the administration in Washington will drive the British beyond Essequibo."

### PASSENGERS.

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Per steamer City of, Kingston from the Sound John Griggs, H. W. Helss, John Leonard, John Shackleford, A. S. Taylor, J. E. Macrae, M. Thornason, W. E. Clark, E. Busocel, C. K. McDonald and wife, J. Valandorf, Wu. Godfrey, John C. Todd, J. A. O'Farrell, F. Eaton, E. R. Leibert, C. Urungren, J. E. Horn, Alex. McDonald, Capt. Baldchild.

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T. Fife, McPherson, J. T. Morkill, E.
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Miss Innes, W. J. Jones, A. H. Scaife,
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W. Ward, E. P. Davies, J. W. MacFarland, D. Murphy and wife, M. McMillan
and R. Gibbs.

Per steamer Rosalie from the SoundMrs. Reed, Mrs. McRae and two children, R. W. Mastick, Given Moore, H.
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BEXNETT—At his residence, Richmond'Avenue on the lift hust. John 4. Bennett, aged 6t years, late of Digby, N.S. The funral will take place from the resi-dence as above on Monday at 2 'clock. St. John and Digby papers please copy.

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