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WILL OCCUPY NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Splendid Building to Be Opened at Beginning of Term.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE RENNIE

All But Two of School Board Conclude Terms This Year—Last Night's Meeting.

High school pupils will occupy the Duke of Connaught high school when the new term commences and though a formal opening is to be held later, some simple ceremony is to mark the occupancy of the lately completed $100,000 school building. This was decided by the school board last night. Trustee Dr. Green was successful in having the furniture taken from the old and placed in the new high school. This work is now almost done and until the money to buy new fittings is forthcoming the old fittings will be used.

Rennie Resigns.

Trustee Rennie's resignation was accepted last night with regret. One year of his term still remains. Now all but Trustees Stoney and Peck conclude their terms next week and these positions will be filled at the coming elections.

Change Hours.

When the Duke of Connaught school opens the time of school hours will be changed. Instead of starting the day at 9:30 and ending at 3:30 as has been customary in winter, the hours will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. [illegible] year. This was the suggestion of Principal Little and was [illegible] by the trustees.

[illegible] M. L. Bridgeman's resignation [illegible] the staff at Lord Kelvin school [illegible] with regret.

MURDER THEORY GROWS STRONGER

No Trace of Poison in Stomach of Bank Clerk Found Dead in Portland.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 30.—No trace of poison has yet been found in the stomach of Clyde Rudell, the bank clerk and lodge treasurer of The Dalles, who was found dead in a Portland rooming house three weeks ago.

The analysis was ordered because [illegible] of carbolic acid in the [illegible] with a head [illegible] acid a [illegible]. This also has been futile, and the theory that he was killed is growing stronger.

Rudell disappeared after a quarrel with lodge officers at The Dalles and was found in Portland after a telegram sent to his wife had announced his death on the railroad tracks near Portland.

BREACH BETWEEN CALUMET MINE OWNERS AND MEN GROWS WIDER

Managers in Copper Strike District State They Will Never Recognize Western Federation of Miners—Solicitor of United States Department of Labor Investigates But Outlook for Settlement Is Not Bright.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 30.—Uncompromising adherence to their determination never by direct or indirect means to recognize the Western Federation of Miners was pronounced today by mine managers of the copper strike district, who were willing to discuss the visit here of John B. Densmore, solicitor of the department of labor.

The fact that Mr. Densmore had announced his mission as one of conciliation made most of the employers shake their heads dubiously.

"We could not treat with the federation even if we wished," said F. W. Denton, manager of the Copper Range Consolidated company. "The men at work would never consider employment underground with members of the union, for there would always be trouble and in view of the fact that ten thousand men are working for the companies we cannot ignore their interests."

The strike is to enter upon its final stage within two days, tomorrow being the last upon which the companies will receive applications for work from strikers. Originally Dec. 1 had been set as the limit, but at the request of business men the time was extended. Whatever good the extra 30 days might have accomplished was wiped out by the Italian hall disaster and the controversy as to who should give relief to afflicted families and the deportation of Charles W. Moyer, president of the federation.

Wide Apart.

The detailed figures obtained from both sides today found the opposing claims as wide apart as the poles. The employers said there were less than 3000 actual strikers left in the district but union headquarters furnished statistics showing that weekly strike benefits are being paid to 10,429 men. Both sides agreed that about 2500 men have left the district since the trouble began on July 23.

The companies figured that 14,300 men were affected by the calling of the strike, about 600 of these being smelter or mill workers, who were given at least part time employment at work, half of the difference between after the first few days.

Today they claimed 9640 men were the two totals having gone to other districts, thus leaving 2330 strikers. They made additional allowances for men who have come here from outside cities, thus raising their estimate of the actual strikers to 3000.

Outlook Not Promising.

The future of the strike is something that neither side cares to discuss with any great freedom. Both sides recognize that chances for an early settleemnt are rather remote. The unions will endorse any plan for arbitration that includes in it recognition of the men's right to organize.

The companies will treat only with their own employees and after the first of the year will cease to consider the possibility of any striker being one of these. Observers with affiliation on neither side can see only a long and perhaps bitter siege in prospect.

CIVIC LABOR BUREAU PROVING REAL SUCCESS

Seventeen people were sent out from the civic employment bureau yesterday either to take positions or to apply for them. Among them were five women who wanted employment as domestics.

The positions most difficult to fill are those of stationary engineers and domestics. At present firemen with fourth class papers are also wanted. On Friday morning two pipe fitters are to be given employment and one other man will be furnished with a permanent position. There is little or no demand for farm laborers at present.

Though yesterday was considered an exception there is not a day passes but some man is hitched up to a job and it has been proven the city made no mistake in instituting the bureau.

Summons Legislature.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 30.—Governor Davidson issued a proclamation tonight summoning the legislature elected last October to meet on Wednesday, Jan. 14. Sir Edward Morris, the premier, will continue in power with 21 members of the Peoples' party, and Sir Robert Bond, former premier, will head the opposition with five Liberals and ten members of the Fishermen's Protective union, which won large majorities in the northern districts.

NEGRO CONFESSES BRUTAL MURDER

Sentenced to Be Hanged He Tells Police of Other Crime.

Solves Mystery Surrounding Death of Wealthy Los Angeles Diamond Broker.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 30.—Mystery surrounding the murder on January 25, 1913, of C. E. Pendell, a wealthy Los Angeles diamond broker, was swept away at Folsom prison today when Burr L. Harris, a negro, sentenced to be hanged February 13 for the murder of Mrs. Rebecca Gay, a Christian Science practitioner, confessed that he killed and robbed Pendell.

The confession was made to Sheriff William A. Hammel, of Los Angeles county. Harris described the Pendell murder in detail. He said that he entered the Pendall store from another store and when Pendell asked him what he wanted he said he wished to buy a diamond. When Pendell turned Harris said he hit the diamond broker over the head with a lead pipe covered with paper and rags.

Harris said he had covered the pipe so heavily with rags that the first blow did not kill Pendell.

"He groaned after he went down," Harris told Sheriff Hammel. "I dragged him into a rear room and wrapped his head in a pillow that was on the lounge so that he would make no noise."

Then Robbed Store.

Harris said he leisurely selected what jewelry he wanted and escaped. The jewelry, he said, he buried in the country. The negro tried to describe the place where the diamonds had been buried, but Sheriff Hammel found it impossible to obtain sufficient information to locate where the jewelry had been cached.

Harris told his story freely to the Los Angeles sheriff and gave no reason for making the confession other than that he wanted to get it off his mind.

Sheriff Hammel said tonight that he has been convinced for some time Harris murdered Pendell because of the similarity between that murder and that of Mrs. Gay and another woman, Mrs. Haskins, whom Harris has confessed to murdering.

Harris told the sheriff that he returned to the rear room of the Pendell store and satisfied himself the man was dead before he left the place.

His Wife Left Him.

Edmonton, Dec. 30.—In search of the woman to whom he has been married five years, Thomas Cowper, arrived in Edmonton Monday and today solicited the services of the city police in finding her. To the police he told how the woman had left his home at Edson, he believes, with another man whom Cowper always considered his friend.

"Squeeze" in Pekin "Graft" in New York

Speakers Liken Conditions in China to Politics in the United States.

Minenapolis, Dec. 30.—Graft and rascality in municipal government thrive in China as well as in the United States and it should not be hard for Americans to understand Chinese politics, Charles R. Henderson of the University of Chicago, told the American Cociological society today. Mr. Henderson's topic was the "Relations between the United States and China."

"There is 'squeeze' in Pekin," he said, "and 'graft' in New York. In China they do things to 'save' their face, while our looters of municipalities grow indignant when accused and fill the air with the dust of counter recriminations."

Mr. Henderson recently returned from an extensive study of social conditions in China. He is optimistic of the Chinese as a people and says they will be greatly improved by their associations with Americans.

"Contact," he said, "is inevitable. Intercourse through trade, education, travel, missions and diplomacy must grow."

Mr. Henderson discussed the immigration question, asserting that many Chinese are looking longingly toward California and that hundreds would come if they were assured of a two-acre farm.

"The treatment received by their pathfinder on the Pacific coast has not helped us in our relations with the Chinese, whatever justification there may have been in the supposed necessity for self-defence," he said.

FIGHT FOR LIFE OF MURDERER

Sentence Set Aside—Now Allege Ralph Fariss is Insane.

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—An effort to save the life of Ralph Fariss, the Bakersfield youth who held up two Southern Pacific trains and killed H. E. Montague, a travelling passenger agent for that railroad, was made today in Judge Gavin W. Craig's department of the superior court, through the filing of affidavits alleging that he was insane. Testimony was taken and a further hearing set for next Friday.

Proceedings in the case were reopened this afternoon through an attorney employed by James A. Fariss, the bandit's father, in an attempt to prevent the youth's hanging, according to the sentence imposed on him by Judge Craig on Saturday. At the defendant's own request his case had been rushed through the courts.

Set Aside Sentence.

When the case was called the attorney for the defence formally moved for the setting aside of the sen-

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LIND TO CONFER WITH PRESIDENT

Wilson's Personal Representative Leaves Vera Cruz Suddenly.

DISCUSS MEXICAN PROBLEM TOMORROW

Has Obtained Comprehensive Grasp of Affairs and Is Anxious to Report.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 30.—By breakfast time New Year's day or soon after that if no untoward incident occurs, John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative, and the president himself, will be talking over the international problems arising out of the Mexican revolution.

Mr. Lind left Vera Cruz at 6 o'clock tonight on board the Chester, the fastest cruiser of the American navy, bound for Pass Christian, Miss., where President Wilson is spending his vacation. The Chester's captain and Rear Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, assure Mr. Lind that 26 hours should suffice to land him on the Louisiana coast, whence he will proceed to Pass Christian.

Few persons in Vera Cruz knew of the orders to Mr. Lind and that small portion of the Mexican population which witnessed his walk from the American consulate to the waterfront, two blocks away, where the admiral's launch awaited him, regarded his suit cases with expressions indicative of varied opinions.

Message Welcome.

It is no secret that Mr. Lind welcomed the summons to meet his chief for personal counsel.

Since his coming to Mexico almost five months ago, Mr. Lind has forwarded to Washington voluminous reports of the changing conditions in this republic, but it is known that he fretted over the restrictions of written communications and often pressed a desire to have "just a few minutes direct conversation" with either the president or the secretary of state.

During the [illegible] has been here, President Wilson's envoy has given earnest study to the situation. He has conferred with representatives of both sides until he believes he has acquired a comprehensive grasp of affairs.

Will Return.

The financial isolation of the present administration has reduced President Huerta's views, but not so strong as to force him to yield. So long as there is money in the country, no matter to whom it belongs, Huerta has the means to obtain it and this situation is realized by Mr. Lind. Nor has the advance of the constitutionalists been so rapid of late as would be expected. Thus the time for a full accounting between the federals and the constitutionalists seems in the opinion of observers generally to be some distance away.

Mr. Lind took with him the greater part of his belongings, but left some baggage here, assuring the American consul, W. W. Canada, that he would return in four or five days at the latest.

GERMAN EMPEROR THANKS FRENCHMEN

Appreciates Care Shown to Embassy and Sends Tangible Tokens in Shape of $1200.

Paris, Dec. 30.—In recognition of the devoted care shown to Capt. D. von Winterfeldt, the military attache, of the German embassy to France, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last fall, while following the French army manoeuvres, the German emperor today sent an autographed photograph to Eugene Etinne, the French ex-minister of war. His majesty also bestowed decorations on a number of French officers, surgeons and civilian officers and women who had aided in nursing Capt. von Winterfeldt back to health.

The mayor of Grisolles was sent $1200 to be distributed among the needy persons of the town.

MANY KILLED AND WOUNDED IN FURIOUS BATTLE AT OJINAGA

Five Thousand Rebels Seek to Exterminate Federals, Driving Them Across U. S. Border—Federals After First Onslaught Put up Plucky Fight Under Insuperable Odds—Outcome Uncertain.

Presidio, Texas, Dec. 30.—A battle in which 5000 or more rebels are seeking to exterminate or drive across the United States border the northern division of the Mexican federal army was in progress around Ojinaga, Mex., opposite here after dark tonight.

For 36 hours the opposing forces had been under a fire which caused dead and wounded on both sides. General Ortega's rebel army, reinforced by flanks to the right and left, kept steadily on the offensive, gaining and holding foot by foot the approaches to the federal stronghold.

Federals Dazed.

The federal army, dazed and disorganized by the first puff of rebel smoke, clung to the trenches dug on the hillside where it had decided to make a last stand. Though whipped in the first rebel onslaught, which drove their outposts to cover, and there some of their wounded with deserters jumped into the river and waded to the American side, the federals put up a plucky fight against insuperable odds. Something like a rally occurred among the federals when daylight disclosed the position of the enemy and encouraged the federal generals to promise a slight hope.

Dead and Wounded.

The net results of the battle so far as they are obtainable on this side were:

Many dead and wounded fell on each side. It was impossible even to approximate the number.

Several score deserters jumped into the river and waded to the American side. They were disarmed and sent back by Major McNamee, commanding the border patrol. About 15 of the deserters were wounded and were permitted to remain on this side on grounds of humanity. They were cared for by United States army physicians.

The presence of the 15 wounded led United States army officers to believe the casualties were heavy. The Red Cross society therefore sent requests for more help and more hospital supplies and asked permission to cross to the Mexican side to attend the wounded on the battlefield.

No Hospital Facilities.

Both the federal and the rebel armies were without field hospital facilities, so that the wounded were left where they had fallen, stretched on the hills among the mesquite. No bullets came across the border.

About 5000 rebels were engaged, much of their firing, however, being without effect because of their position below the village, but they constantly gained ground and tonight appeared to be within reach of victory.

The federals withdrew within the buildings and fortifications in the village where they operated what guns they had from behind the high walls of an adobe horse corral built like a stockade. They also directed their firing from the customs house which stood on an elevation midway between the village and a plain.

Rebels Have Advantage.

Tonight, although the rebels appeared to have much advantage, the outcome of the final struggle was not positively defined, the federals with their eleven generals, all that is left of Huerta's military control of the far north, still having to win success against apparently hopeless odds or retreat.

That the federals will surrender is improbable because General Ortega has explicit orders to execute the so-called volunteers and their commanders, Generals Pascual Orozco, Ynez Salazar, Antonio Rojas, Blas Orpinal, Lazaro Allinis and Roque Gomez. Eighteen hundred volunteers also come under the sentence of death imposed by General Villa. That the federals with all their generals, except, perhaps, General Francisco Castro, General Jose Mancilla and General Manuel Lando, of the regulars will be forced over to the United States in case of federal defeat is believed on the American side most likely.

FIREWORKS AND OTHER EXCITEMENT

Much Criticism at Coquitlam Election Campaign Meeting—Air Views.

Two Seek Reeveship and Four Want Seats in the 1914 Council—Many Issues.

The contest for municipal honors in Coquitlam got away to a flying start last evening when some 200 ratepayers crowded the Burquitlam Agricultural hall to hear a medley of candidates and prospectives express their opinions on municipal administration. Although it started off rather tamely the meeting warmed up as time passed and there were fireworks and other brands of excitement galore.

After the air cleared it was found that there were two candidates in the running for the reeveship and four for council seats. For the reeveship Councillor R. J. C. Atkins and L. R. Marmont announced themselves as being in the field while John Foster, J. D. Robertson, H. B. Baker and Wallace Whiting are candidates for the council.

Municipal Hall Deal.

The outstanding topic of discussion among the candidates was the municipal hall deal, put through by the present council and in this connection Councillor R. J. C. Atkins came in for severe condemnation and persistent heckling for the part he took.

Councillor Foster, who is seeking return also came in for a measure of criticism for the part he played in

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Robbed Mail Clerk.

Moose Jaw, Dec. 30.—Harry Ashworth, a mail clerk employed at the local postoffice, was held up in a lane at the rear of the postoffice building this morning and robbed of $44 in cash. Ashworth had just come out of the rear door when he was asked to step down the lane and meet another man. The man who made the invitation was a total stranger, but Ashworth complied. He had gone but a short distance when the two men set upon him, put a gun to his head, overpowered him, took all his money and then beat him over the head. He was not badly hurt. No arrests have been made as yet.

AGED FATHER MURDERS SON

Extraordinary Tragedy Occurs in Paris—English Actor Killed.

SLAYER WAS OVER EIGHTY YEARS OLD

Says He Meant to End Own Life—Objected to Son Bringing Woman to House.

Paris, Dec. 30.—An extraordinary tragedy occurred in Paris tonight. A popular English vaudeville performer, known on the stage as Harry Fragson, was shot and killed by his 84 year old father, Victor Pott.

Fragson had dined at a restaurant and on the way to the theatre where he has been appearing, called at the apartment which he occupied with his aged father in the Rue de La Fayette. He found the door bolted and was kept waiting before it was opened by his father. Words ensued and suddenly the father seemed to lose control of himself. He drew a revolver and the son fell with a bullet in his head.

The report of the revolver attracted police and those living in the adjoining apartment. The son was hurried to a hospital, where he died. The father was taken to the police station.

The feeble old man was greatly shaken as he told his story to the police. He had bought the revolver, he said, with the intention of committing suicide because life had become unbearable. His son had brought a woman to the house in spite of repeated protest. Tonight, he said, his son was accompanied by the same woman and reproached him for keeping him waiting. He meant to kill himself in their presence and drew the pistol. What passed he did not understand, but instead of putting a bullet into his own temple he fired at his son. Why, he could not explain.

The janitor of the apartment house and neighbors informed the police that they had often heard the father and son quarreling.

Trial of Ruthenians.

Budapest, Dec. 30.—At the trial at Marmaros-Sziget, of the Ruthenians charged with sedition against Austria-Hungary, the examination of the accused was continued today. They took as their general line of defence the plea that they were actuated purely by religious motives.

To Aid Survivors.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—subscriptions from residents of this city to the fund for the survivors of the sailors lost in the recent storms on the Great Lakes totals over $40,000. The subscriptions will be closed within a few days and the amount forwarded to Toronto for distribution.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HUNGER AND APPETITE

Wonderful Devices Demonstrated at Convention of Doctors—Remove Blood to Cleanse It.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30—An apparatus by which the blood may be removed, cleansed of impurity and returned to the system and a contrivance by which it can be determined whether one is suffering from hunger or merely has an appetite, were among the inventions demonstrated [illegible] bers of the Federati[illegible] Societies for Experim[illegible] annual session here.

A dog was utilized [illegible] blood purifying apparatus, which was the result of the work of Doctors J. J. Abel, L. G. Rowntree and B. B. Turner, of Johns Hopkins university. Dr. A. J. Carlson, of the University of Chicago, demonstrated on [illegible] the efficiency of the hunger [illegible] machine which was his own invention.

Dr. Carlson defined hunger [illegible] [illegible]

DISCUSS LICENSES THIS AFTERNOON

Citizens' League Delegates Will Attend Meeting of Commissioners.

Those much discussed bottle and wholesale liquor license applications will be before the board of license commissioners this afternoon at 3 o'clock when they meet in the city hall. Also delegates from the Citizens' league will be there and with them will be the lawyer they have engaged to help them in their anti-liquor fight.

Rev. M. Gordon Melvin, who was refused permission to address the commission at its last session because of Alderman Kellington's objections, will likely be one of the delegates.

These applications were left over from last meeting, the reason given being that the big petition of the Citizens' league should first be considered.

NOTES FROM LONDON.

London, Dec. 30.—H.R.H. [illegible] [illegible]

How Westminster Will Spend New Year's Eve

As the old year drags out the last weary minutes of its life and while the gladsome new year with its unknown joys and sorrows is being ushered in, people will meet in sacred service tonight in Queens Avenue Methodist church. At the same hour several dances and social affairs will be in progress. Tomorrow afternoon there will be sports and in the evening again social events will be to the fore. This, in all likelihood, is how the holiday will be spent here.

Besides in Queens Avenue church some other congregations of the same and other denominations will hold watch night service.

The big sporting event tomorrow afternoon in New Westminster will be the soccer match in the first round for the Mainland cup between the Lonsdales of North Vancouver and the local team.

Among the dances tonight is that given by the high school pupils. Many invitations to it have been issued.

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THE END OF A YEAR.

Today marks the passing of the year 1913, a good year in many respects, rich in different ways, but principally so in experience. Money has been tight, the cost of living has risen, business has not been what it was, but in spite of these facts there are many bright spots to be located in the past twelve months.

British Columbians and citizens of New Westminster have nothing to fear for the future and nothing to complain of for the past year. It has been a hard one no doubt on a large number, but it has taught its lessons, lessons that never would have been learned had the bright sunlight of continued prosperity shone steadily. A little slackening in the rush of progress is absolutely necessary in the big scheme of things. It sifts the gold from the dross, tests the true value of a man or a community and leaves the strong ones really stronger, while it eliminates the poor material and the quitters. Undergoing such an experience comes a great deal harder on the cities without the real wealth to back them that New Westminster possesses. In the case of the Royal City it simply marks a breathing space in the forward march, a year during which sinews have been tightening and conditions have been settling down to basic principles in preparation for the greater onward rush to follow.

With its large agricultural district at its back, its industrial possibilities already being developed and its magnificent fresh water harbor gradually approaching its stage of real usefulness, New Westminster has nothing to fear and everything to hope for in the brilliant future which is the certain heritage of the province of British Columbia as a whole.

Now that the rush of Christmas shopping is over, it might be a good idea to do your Christmas swapping early.

The first thing to do after opening a Christmas present is to look for the name of the donor—or is it the price mark that takes precedence?

Last week back in Montreal they were wishing for cold weather; now they're pulling their whiskers and praying for spring.

An aviator has looped the loop five times in one flight and come back to earth to prove the saying of the ancients that whom the gods would destroy they first make mad.

A newspaper headline says "Tiny Earthquake Wakens Seattle." They must be lighter sleepers down in the spirit city than they used to be, or it would take a man's size temblor to get some of them up.

British Columbia has about two hundred and fifty-three million acres of land within its borders, all of which is not divided into subdivisions, some being devoted to farming, lumbering and other industrial pursuits.

A San Diego real estate man was arrested in bed the other night with a sledge hammer beside him. The press despatch doesn't say whether or not the charge was "knocking."

It takes one-twentieth of a second for a wireless signal to travel from the Pacific to the Atlantic, which has the old adage about bad news travelling fast hunting a dark corner.

PICKPOCKETS TOUCH CHIEF OF POLICE

He Raises a Roar and Fellow Passengers in Car Give Him the Laugh.

New York, Dec. 30.—Although pickpockets have been forbidden to operate on the Forty-second street crosstown cars, they could not resist the temptation offered by the massive gold chain that spanned the waistcoat of Chief of Police George Chevalier, "the best chief White Plains ever had." They got not only the chain but a heavy gold watch and a diamond studded Liks emblem as a charm.

"You know, I know a thing or two about pickpockets myself," Chief Chevalier said at the East Fifty-first street station when reporting the incident, "but these fellows must have been slicker than any we have in White Plains. They didn't use pincers, like some of them do, but they went to all the trouble of unbuttoning my vest, slipping the chain and charm out and then lifting the watch from my pocket."

The chief had just arrived at the Grand Central station from White Plains and had got aboard a crowded car bound west for Broadway. More passengers crowded in after him and he was forced into the middle of the car.

"I was thinking how clever the New York detectives are to keep pickpockets off these crowded cars and was running over in my mind some similar method of keeping them away from the crowds at the White Plains railroad station and from the farmers who come to town on court days, when I was jostled by men and women getting in and out.

"We were crossing Fifth avenue when I happened to look down and saw my vest open and the chain gone. I called out that I had been robbed and the car was stopped. The passengers laughed at me, and that was all the sympathy I got. I left the car and asked the way to the nearest police station.

"I've arrested heaps of pickpockets in my town and thought I could tell one a mile away. This one, however, might have been a very pretty young woman who was standing right in front of me, and who was jostled against me several times. She left the car just before I discovered that I had been robbed."

CLIFF CRUMBLES AND TWO ARE INJURED

Hoquiam, Dec. 30.—Douglas Johns, of Seattle, and Miss Abel, also of Seattle, were seriously and perhaps fatally injured in a fall over a forty-foot cliff on Pacific beach. Both are in the Hoquiam hospital.

The couple was taking an evening stroll along the cliff overlooking the ocean when a section of ground gave way, carrying the man and woman with it. They lay for nearly half an hour before aid arrived.

At the hospital Johns was found to have one arm broken in three places, several ribs were fractured and he may have sustained internal injuries. Miss Abel was suffering from severe bruises and shock, but no bones were broken.

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HUSBAND TRICKED HER, WIFE SAYS

Rich Rancher Charged with Securing Land Lease and Ordering His Spouse Away.

Spokane, Dec. 30.—Charging that her husband, J. J. Nichols, a wealthy pioneer rancher of Davenport, tricked her into signing away her interest in his property valued at $100,000, then placed her in an automobile and ordered her to go to the home of her parents in Stevens county and never return, Mrs. Amanda W. Nichols started suit in the local courts for divorce and recovery of the property.

Mrs. Nichols, who has been residing at the family home, West 1923 College avenue, since the trouble arose, secured an order to restrain her husband from selling the property or taking the children, whom, she alleges, he secured during her absence from home the day before Christmas. She afterward recovered them.

Mrs. Nichols was arrested last week charged with improper relations with a man named Woodward, but was released under bond. She says in the complaint that the arrest was caused by her husband. She charges he told her he would charge her with improper relations with other men if she did not deed him the property.

The complaint says they were married at Davenport in 1897 and they have two children, Howard, aged 7, and Nina, aged 12. Mrs. Nichols says her husband owned a quarter section of land when they were married, but that they afterward acquired a section and a half of land at their home, seven miles from Davenport, valued at $16,000. They also owned a $12,000 equity in land near Soap lake, she avers.

She estimates the stock and farm machinery as worth $30,000 and that two lots at Davenport are worth $1000. They also owned stock, she says, in the Davenport National bank, the Davenport Grain company, as well as stock in the J. H. Roberts company and the Northwestern General Trading company.

Says He Threatened Her.

She says she signed deeds and bills of sales to all the property they owned except small properties in Spokane and Kootenai county after her husband was abusive to her and almost made her "delirious." He told her on July 6, she says, that "he was going to get people to swear against her and she would be thrown out penniless." She alleges he told her if she would deed him the property they would be happy. She says she went to Davenport the next day and signed away all except the home on College avenue and the Spokane county and Kootenai county property.

She said the deeds were no sooner signed than her husband secured two automobiles, placed the children in one of them, and taking her in the other, went to a place eight miles from Davenport. She was then ordered to get into the machine with the children, the driver was told to take her to the home of her parents, and she was told never to return, according to the complaint.

She asks divorce, the custody of the children and $125 per month. She also asks that she be given half the property she has signed away.

RAFT WAS PROPELLED BY ONE FISHPOWER

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 30.—Lashing a 100-pound sturgeon to a raft, when he found the fish too heavy to carry, forcing the big member of the finny tribe to haul him into camp where later the sturgeon was served up to a crew of hungry men, is the latest tale in the fish line that has reached Boise. It was brought to this city from Frank Maxwell, an engineer of the forest service with headquarters in Boise.

A large crew of men is stationed at the Ox Bow tunnel on the Snake river between Idaho and Oregon. A rancher of the name McPherson notified the foreman in charge of the camp that if he would send one of his men up he would give him a fish. Thinking that one man can manage a single fish without trouble, the foreman sent one of his Austrian laborers after it. When he arrived at the McPherson ranch, however, the Austrian found the sturgeon.

As the fish was still alive the Austrian built a raft from logs leaving an opening in the middle for the fish to swim in and then lashed the sturgeon securely to the raft. Pushing the craft from the shore he allowed the sturgeon to propel him into camp several miles below. A fish menu was served at the camp that night.

WIFE SLAYER PARDONED.

Man Freed Who Killed His Mate in Spokane—Petition to Governor Lister.

Spokane, Dec. 30.—Herman Roestel convicted in October, 1911, in the local courts of killing his wife, Theresa Roestel, has been pardoned by Governor Lister and appeared in Spokane yesterday, where he conferred with former County Prosecutor John L. Wiley, who has aided in securing his release.

A petition asking that Roestel be pardoned was circulated last spring among county employees, judges and members of the jury who convicted him. On his arrival in Spokane Roestel visited the police station and later conferred with Wiley, who prosecuted him.

Wiley said he had recommended that Roestel be released as the evidence indicated he shot his wife when crazed by her attentions to other men. He said he did not believe the crime was premeditated. Roestel was sentenced to serve from five to twenty years at Walla Walla.

Roestel wandered around the city for a week after the shooting, but surrendered to the police. He claimed he was insane and knew nothing of the shooting.

STOLE AND MARRIED HIS DAUGHTER, SAYS FATHER

Moscow, Idaho, Dec. 30.—Alvian Hayden, aged about 22, who is charged with having eloped from Washtucna, Wash., with Pearl E. Lamb, a school girl, and who secured a marriage license here December 17 and was married by Justice of the Peace Patrin Anderson, is reported to be wanted in Ritzville, Wash., for another crime and violation of a parole on which he is reported to have been allowed liberty.

Sheriff C. C. Brown is in receipt of a letter from C. C. Lamb, the girl's father, who states that his daughter is but 15 years of age and that "she was stolen from home and Hayden is wanted at Ritzville for another crime." The sheriff of Adams county phoned Sheriff Brown to arrest Hayden wherever found. Sheriff Brown has learned that Hayden and the Lamb girl after being married here December 18 left for Palouse, Wash. At Palouse Hayden is said to have purchased a money order payable to the Red Cedar line at St. Maries, Idaho, and ordered his baggage shipped to Seattle, according to information received from the city marshal at Palouse.

Sheriff Brown is also in communication with Sheriff Hays at Pasco, Franklin county, who appears to be operating with the sheriff of Adams county. These officials will be notified by Sheriff Brown that Hayden and his child-wife are probably in Seattle.

C. C. Lamb wrote Sheriff Brown that his daughter had been attending school in the country about six miles from Washtucna and when she failed to return home the evening of December 16 he suspected she had gone with Alvian Hayden. Hayden is described as being about 22 years old, medium small, red headed and had a brown and a gray suit of clothes.

Yakima Woman Dead at Rome.

North Yakima, Wash., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Alexander Miller, wife of the owner of the Yakima Milling company the largest office building in North Yakima and extensive real estate holdings in this valley, died in Rome according to a cablegram from Mr. Miller received by M. W. Phillips, her father.

Large "Dry" Area.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 30.—Superintendent George D. Conger, of the Anti-Saloon league of Washington, in his annual report, says that in 78 per cent. of the area of the state prohibitory laws are in force. In this territory dwell 42 per cent. of the inhabitants of the state.

Rides to Jail in Taxi.

Spokane, Dec. 30.—Minnie Miller, a German of good appearance, came to police headquarters in a taxicab late last night and asked for lodging. Among her possessions was $10. A delicate questioning by the booking officer failed to reveal why she should prefer a police station to a hotel as a place of lodging. She gave her age as 40 and her occupation as a housewife. She was accommodated with a cell.

THUG IS AMUSED AT THEFT CHARGE

High-Class Operator Smiles When He Is Accused of Very Petty Larceny.

Spokane, Dec. 30.—Orville Caveness said to be known to the police of the Pacific coast in connection with the exchange of $50 worth of lead for $57,000 worth of gold in the possession of a steamship company, was arrested last night on a vagrancy charge because of the discovery in his room of articles said to have been stolen from Mrs. C. H. Woodin of West 2006 First avenue.

At police headquarters, where he was taken by Detective Roy Fordyce, he evinced amusement over the association of his name with the smallness of theft. William Harkness, aged 28, who was arrested with him, is said by the police to have admitted the theft of the Woodin property, which included $100 worth of Christmas gifts in a large satchel taken from an automobile in front of Carr's store last Wednesday.

Caveness had been arrested on Christmas day by Detective Chester Edwards on suspicion of having been the burglar who took $1900 worth of jewelry from the Rhodehamel residence early in the morning of the same day, but was released at 6 p.m. two hours before his arrest by Fordyce.

The alleged recklessness of Harkness and the suspicion of a hotelkeeper caused their arrest. Harkness, who gave his vocation as a waiter, is said to have offered the hotelman four merchandise checks on Carr's store, valued at $5 each, as security for the payment of his room rent. His desire to borrow a dollar on the checks inspired an investigation by the hotel keeper. S. E. Carr, of Carr's store, recognized the checks as four that had been issued to Mrs. Woodin.

Apprised of the circumstance, Detective Fordyce waited at the hotel for the return of Harkness. The latter was accompanied by Caveness.

Part of the Woodin property was found in a room at the Her Grand, a rooming house at Post street and First avenue, occupied by Caveness in accordance with the statement of Harkness. The rest of it is in the possession of a colored man living on Second avenue, he stated. Harkness was booked on a larceny charge. He is 28 years of age, and a native of this state. He has been in the local tells before on petty larceny charges it is stated by the police.

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ELECTRICITY AS AID IN FARMING

Remarkable Results Reported by Lecturer Before London Audience.

London, Dec. 30.—Remarkable results of the application of electricity and radio-active earths to crops and other vegetable growths, and of the effect of high frequency discharges upon lower animals, were quoted by T. Thorne Baker in a lecture before the society of arts.

Mr. Baker emphasized at the outset that one of the essentials for successful electro-culture were electrical currents of an extremely minute character. The same thing applied in the case of the use of radio-active earth; a very minute amount of radio-activity would in certain cases give extraordinary results, whilst too great an amount would give worse results than if ordinary earth had been used.

The effect of electrification might be due to several things. The static effect might be to cause a contraction in the capillary tubes of the plant stems, which would increase the capillary attraction and cause a quicker and more ready rise upwards of the nutrient juices, while the natural production of the electric currents at the terminals of a plant might be due to electric endosmose—the passage of fluids through any cellular structure which gives rise to osmotic effects causing the generation of currents.

The electrical stimulus might possibly assist some of the enzymic actions taking place during plant nutrition, while it appeared from laboratory experiments to increase the flow of the nutrient liquids through the fine capillary tubes by reducing their viscosity. This was more particularly the case with alternating currents. A number of experiments made with bacteria, ferments, moulds and other micro-organisms had led him to the conclusion that almost every individual plant or organism required its own particular type of electricity if the best results were to be obtained.

The red variety of the American gooseberry blight was treated with an effluve discharge, but was not killed by it; on first spraying the blight, however, with a weak solution of a soluble sulphide, and then playing on it with a high-efficiency effluve, ionisation of the sulphide was effected, and the nascent sulphur killed the blight organisms. This was carried out with the blight occurring on growing gooseberry bushes. Another interesting application of the effluvive discharge had been to cheese mites. The very small mites were readily electrocuted by a short, rather intense discharge. It was noteworthy that in this instance again the intensity of the discharge and its physical character required special consideration, as it was found that by having a different type of effluve the mites were not only not killed, but were actually invigorated.

Action Falls Flat.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 30.—Habeas corpus proceedings brought against Sheriff Metzger of Yakima county will fail to gain liberty for W. C. Calhoun and Willis C. Thorpe, fugitives from Oregon, the supreme court decided, affirming the Yakima superior court in both cases. Both men, charged with receiving stolen property, claimed Governor Lister's action in honoring the requisition for their return was defective because the word "knowingly" had been omitted.

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DANGER IN HIGH HEELS AND HOBBLES

Fashionable Combination Blamed for Many Accidents to Feminine Followers.

London, Dec. 30.—High heels and hobble skirts are having their revenge on Fashion's devotees. A record kept for three months on the Pennsylvania railroad system has revealed the astonishing fact that of all injuries suffered by women due to slipping or falling while on the company's property high heels and hobble skirts were responsible for the great majority. In one month forty-four such accidents took place. The following month there were forty-two, and for the month ended October 14 there were fifty-two.

"The Pennsylvania Railway company is not the only company which has observed the danger of high heels and hobble skirts," an official of the General Omnibus company told a press representative recently. "On one of the tube railways in London there was recently a case that was settled only after considerable trouble. Two women had slipped when entering a train, and one narrowly escaped a serious accident. Their claim was that the floor of the carriage being 'ribbed' was a trap for slender heels, and was dangerous. Some time ago a similar case occurred in a tramcar, when a woman's heel got caught in the bars of wood on the flooring. She could not draw her foot out, and the conductor, thinking that she did not intend getting off at that stopping place, rang the bell and then came for her extra fare. This she refused to pay the while she tugged at the heel of the shoe that held her anchored to the car. Finally she had to take off her shoe, much to the amusement of the other passengers."

A fashionable outfitter in the West End gave it as his opinion that the days of the hobble skirts and high heels are numbered. "The reason is," he said, "that most wearers of these attributes of fashion have found that there is a danger to the wearer. The high-heel craze has been carried to an absurdity. The other day a woman wearing high heels fell in Bond street, and when picked up it was found that one of the heels of her boots had broken at the narrowest part, she had to stump along for some distance as best she could, but ultimately took refuge in a taxi-cab. So far as the hobble skirt is concerned, it is now being viewed with suspicion. It gives too little room for a reasonable step, and the next spring will probably see a reversion to better and more comfortable walking apparel."

TEA JOINS OTHER FOODS IN CLOUDS

Prices of Favorite Beverage Soar Along with Other High Costs of Living.

London, Dec. 30.—Tea, like almost everything else that figures on the breakfast-table, has risen in price lately. Some varieties have gone up as much as 4d a pound in the wholesale market during the last year. For once in a way, however, this rise will not fall upon the consumer. The tea trade is singular in its refusal to allow any one but itself to suffer from the fluctuations of the market. The present situation was explained to a press representative by a well-known dealer. He gave the following table of the increase in prices during the last year:

Best Indian	4d. per lb.
Indian	2d. per lb.
Ceylon	2d. per lb.
China ... 3-4d. to	1d. per lb.

"Four or five years ago," he said, "tea was to be had in bond at 5d. a pound; now the same quality costs 8d. This rise is due, I think, to an increased demand all over the world. Curiously enough the production is rising too. Nearly every Continental nation is now taking Indian and Ceylon tea instead of China. Russia, which is by far the largest customer for the latter, is also consuming Indian and Ceylon. China tea is not popular here; it is quite out of fashion.

"Although tea has increased in price wholesale the private individual will still be able to obtain his favorite beverage at the former price. The retailer very rarely increases the price of his tea. Neither does he adulterate it. He shares the loss with the wholesaler. Sometimes for weeks at a stretch tea is sold at a loss.

"Grocers no longer blend their own teas. That method involves too great an outlay of capital, and besides, quality and price cannot be relied upon. Now they buy their teas ready blended."

There is always an increased demand for tea at Christmas. Charming little tea caddies to hold half a pound or so can now be obtained and these are popular for Christmas presents.

Silent Partner Commended.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 30.—Judge E. H. Sullivan refused to grant divorce to Mayme E. Camp from C. L. Camp, holding that a woman was not entitled to a divorce merely because the husband refused to speak to her for days at a time and would stay out late at night.

Breaks Through Ice.

Molson, Wash., Dec. 30.—While hauling wood across Sedley lake, three-quarters of a mile west of Molson, the ice gave way and Herbert Standsbury, load of wood and four horses were precipitated into the lake. Mr. Standsbury was able to get out himself, and his leaders becoming unfastened gained the shore, the wheelers drowning in about nine feet of water.

CAESAR AS AN EPILEPTIC.

Glimpses of the Famous Conqueror That Are Not Inspiring.

Says Mark Antony, who had evidently seen the great Caesar in convulsions: "When the fit was on I marked how he did shake; 'tis true this god did shake." Again: "Ye gods, it doth amaze me a man of such a feeble temper should so get the start of the majestic world and bear the palm alone."

We would hardly recommend horseback riding to an epileptic, "but by dint of perseverance," says the historian Oppius, "Caesar became an expert horseman, often dictating to two or three secretaries at once while in the saddle, and rode without using his hands." We have had a somewhat similar experience in our own practice, where the patient, unlike Caesar, gave up epilepsy while continuing as a horse trainer.

When Caesar came to unbridged rivers during his campaigns he swam across them, sometimes helped by inflated bladders, but usually unaided. Once, having a seizure in the water, he cried out, you remember: "Help me, Cassius, or I perish."

He explored personally and afoot conquered cities, accompanied by way of precaution by but one or two servants—an admirable precaution for epileptics when at all possible.

He needed to be careful. If he had lived in the gluttonous days of Caligula or Nero and had to any extent indulged in their dietary excesses, he never would have crossed the Rubicon nor effected the important victory over Pompey the Great at Pharsalia, and the protests of his nervous system in the way of convulsions would have been more numerous.

He paid the strictest attention to his hair, although he had so little of it. Like the rest of the baldheaded the world over, he allowed this occipital fringe to grow long, and boldly combed it forward, like a vine over a blank wall, in the vain hope of concealing his cranial nakedness—the touch of nature that makes the whole bald world kin.—Dr. Matthew Woods in Neale's Monthly.

FOOD TABOOS IN ALASKA.

Queer Dietary Rules That Are Part of the Eskimo Religion.

To illustrate one of the phases of the native religion of the Eskimos, we may consider the question of food taboos. In the mountains of Alaska, on the upper Kuvuk and Noatak rivers, and on the headwaters of the Colville, the prohibitions which applied to the eating of the flesh of the mountain sheep alone were as extensive as the entire dietary section of the Mosaic law.

A young girl, for instance, might eat only certain ribs, and when she was a little older she might eat certain other ribs, but when she was full grown she would for a time have to abstain from eating the ribs which had been allowed to her up to then.

After a woman had had her first child she might eat certain other ribs, after her second child still others, and only after having had five children might she eat all the ribs; but even then she must not eat the membranes on the inside of the ribs. If her child was sick she must not eat certain ribs, and if two of her children were sick she might not eat certain other ribs. If her brother's child was sick she might not eat certain parts, and if her brother's wife died there were still different prohibitions.

The taboos applying to the ribs of sheep had relation to the health of her children and of her relatives. They also depended upon what animals her relatives or herself had killed recently and on whether those animals were male or female.—V. Stefanssen in Harper's Magazine.

Old Viking Funerals.

A Viking ship was often of large proportions, and it was seldom or never allowed to rot or to be broken up. Having been useful in the arts of war it served quite another purpose in the arts of peace. When a chief died his body was reverently placed in the stern of the vessel and a torch applied to the hold. The man's kinsfolk and friends watched the flames grow bigger and brighter as the huge ship, with set sail, plowed its way through the water for the last time until corpse and ship disappeared under the waves.

What's the Answer?

What gives us our sense of loathing for the garden toad, demurely useful little neighbor that he has proved himself, while his second cousin, the frog, who seems to do nothing but play the dandy and the braggart, is uniformly treated as a good fellow? If the toad gulped and croaked all night long and made his home in slimy pools instead of in the melon patch, would they reverse their present order in our esteem?—Atlantic.

New Dishes.

What new dishes have you had since you have had your new French cook?" asked Mrs. Squire of a friend whom she met one morning.

"Oh, a whole new dinner set," replied the other, "and several pieces of cut glass, and she's only been with us about a week."—Harper's Magazine.

Not Impressed.

"I know no north, no south, no east, no west," declared the impassioned orator.

"You are also just as badly mixed in several other respects," commented an old farmer in the audience.—Pittsburgh Post.

Regina, Dec. 30.—Hon. Arthur Meighen has promised the Conservatives of Saskatchewan to come to this province for a series of three meetings. He will speak first at Moose Jaw on Jan. 8, at Saskatoon on Jan. 9, and at Regina the following day.

BURIED BILLIONS.

Romance of a Treasure Hunt That Has Fascinated Travelers.

For hundreds of years the belief has prevailed that gold dust and gems to the value of $5,500,000,000 lie buried at the bottom of the sacred lake of Guatavita in Colombia, a territory once occupied by Indian tribes renowned for their fabulous wealth.

The aboriginal Indians of that locality had a custom of casting all their vessels and ornaments of precious metal into the waters of the lakes as offerings to their gods, and the knowledge of this custom led to the belief that has been handed down through the ages that it was the burying-place of fabulous wealth.

For centuries, almost ever since America was first discovered, travelers and explorers have engaged in various expeditions in search of this territory, and many attempts have been made to drain the lake, without success.

The Spaniards were just on the point of succeeding in the task of draining the lake after years of hard work spent upon it; but when they were half-way through, the sides fell in and years of work were wasted.

In 1900 an English company undertook the work. They proceeded to drain it by digging a tunnel through the adjacent mountains, bringing it below the level of the surface of the water.

The lake was not emptied until, 1903, but it kept refilling on account of the heavy rains and the presence of springs. A certain number of jewels and ornaments found in the mud of the lake bed seemed to indicate that the search for the hidden treasure was to prove successful. Then the mud dried hard and fresh difficulty was thus encountered. Ever since the engineers have been continuing operations, but no further treasure has come to light.

After an outlay of some $65,000 it has been decided to abandon the hunt.

It remains to be seen whether anyone else will take up the search.

Pardonable Mistake.

Four Lancashire gentlemen recently paid their first visit to Paris, and in a chic restaurant they called the waiter to their aid to fix the menu.

"We don't understand French, and we don't want to know what the name of the dish is," they explained; "but let it be something typically French—something you can't get in England."

"The gentlemen leave that to me," said the waiter. "I will devise a collation exquise."

And, walking to the speaking-tube, he shouted (in clear English, as the visitors thought): "Cat soup!"

Before that waiter had time to turn round, the men, who fortunately were sitting near the door, were hurrying down the boulevards—aghast and pale. Not till their feet were on their native heath again did they find out that "cat soup" was the Parisian for the French "quatre soupes" (four soups).

How To Fill Up Holes In Wood.

It sometimes becomes necessary to fill up cracks or dents in fine woodwork, furniture, floors, etc. The following is the best way of doing it: White tissue paper is steeped and perfectly softened in water and by thorough kneading with glue transformed into a paste and by means of ochers (earth colors) colored as nearly as possible to the shade of the wood. To the paste calcined magnesia is then added, and it is forced into the cracks or very firmly to the wood and after drying retains its smooth surface.

No Wonder She Likes Aunt Mary.

The small daughter in a family where there are a number of brothers and sisters went on a visit to an aunt where there are no children. She was quite carried off her feet by the attention which she received, and when her mother arrived to take her home she was very unwilling to go.

"Why do you want to stay with Aunt Mary?" inquired the mother.

"She curls my hair three times a day," replied the child, "and she dresses me to beat the band!"

All Out.

A young preacher persuaded a fellow student to listen while he rehearsed a sermon. His subject was "Light." With a violent gesture with the right arm he said, "Blot out the sun!" With a similarly frantic movement of the left arm he roared, "Blot out the moon!" Then, with a combined gesture, made up of both arms, he bellowed, "Blot out the stars!" But it was enough. The auditor arose to leave, with a hoarse, cruel whisper, "Turn off the gas!"—Baptist Standard.

Blustery.

"What's the matter with that fellow over there on the corner, who is purple in the face and is waving his arms like a windmill?"

"Oh, that's Blobbins in an argument. He's evidently trying to make somebody take what he considers the commonsense view of a situation."

He Was Congratulated.

W. F. Burnham, of Winnipeg, whose wife had presented him with 13 children, sent a newspaper clipping announcing the birth of the thirteenth child to Theodore Roosevelt, and received a letter of congratulation from that opponent of race suicide.

Leaves Books to Canadians.

John Charles Sharpe, a well-known British banker, left £500 for Bishop Pinkham's College at Calgary, and his collection of theological books for presentation to Canadian and English theological colleges.

Died of Hemorrhage.

Buffalo, Dec. 30.—An autopsy held yesterday on the body of Fred [illegible] of Toronto, who died on Sun[illegible] being taken from a police [illegible] a hospital, showed that he[illegible] of the lungs was the cause of [illegible]

WOMEN CANNOT BE SOLICITORS

Such Is Final Decision of Appeal Court in England—Master of Rolls' Judgment.

London, Dec. 30.—The court of appeals has concluded the hearing of the plaintiff's appeal in the case of Bebb v. the Law Society, and affirmed the decision of Justice Joyce, holding that both under common law and statute law women by reason of their sex are disqualified from acting as solicitors.

Miss Gwyneth Bebb brought the action for a declaration that she was a "person" within the solicitors' act, 1843, and the amending acts, and for a mandamus to compel the Law society to admit her to the preliminary examination held by the society with a view to her becoming a solicitor.

Lord Robert Cecil, K.C., and Mr. Wright (instructed by Messrs. Withers, Bensons, Birkett, and Davies), appeared for Miss Bebb; Sir Robert Finlay, K. C., Mr. Hughes, K. C., and Mr. Tomlin, K. C. (instructed by Mr. S. P. B. Bucknill), for the Law society.

At the conclusion of the arguments the master of rolls, in giving judgment, said that the appeal raised a very important point as to the right of women to be admitted to the profession of a solicitor. The plaintiff sought a mandamus, or what was in the nature of a mandamus, requiring the Law society to admit her to the preliminary examination. The Law society was, of course, a modern creation of the statute. His lordship said that 300 years ago Lord Coke had expressed the view that women could not be attorneys at law, and there was evidence that there was at common law the disability on the part of women to be attorneys. Apart from what Lord Coke had said, no woman had ever been an attorney at law, and no woman (before the present proceedings were started) had ever applied or attempted to be an attorney at law. There had, therefore, been a long, uniform, and uninterrupted usage of what was the common law. No doubt, added his lordship, many women, and in particular Miss Bebb, were in education, intelligence, and competency, superior to many candidates who would go up for the Law society's examinations, but with that, of course, the court had nothing whatever to do.

Lord Justice Swinfen Eady agreed with the judgment of the master of the rolls. He said that if there was to be any change from the ancient practice, it was for the legislature to alter it. It certainly was not for the court to do so.

Lord Justice Phillimore also delivered a judgment to the same effect, and the appeal was accordingly dismissed with costs.

One Reason Why Beef Is High Here

Spokane, Dec. 30.—Fifteen cars of beef cattle from Canada which were turned over to the E. H. Stanton Packing company yesterday mark the second shipment to this place under the new tariff which clipped off the duty on live stock.

Dr. J. E. Exline of the United States bureau, who with five assistants examined the cattle, under the instructions from Customs Officer J. E. Daniels, found the 320 head to be in excellent condition.

The Stanton company also received sixteen cars, containing 375 head, December 12, which passed inspection.

"We will continue to import stock from Canada all winter," said E. H. Stanton last night, "and this will mean a reduction of from half to a cent a pound at retail. These beef cattle are being shipped from the high river country in Alberta, near Calgary."

Under the new rule Spokane is one of the principal ports of entry for the quarantine and inspection of horses and cattle and other live stock from Canada and is also a point of distribution.

FIGHTING AGAINST BLAKELY'S RETURN

Lawyer's Strenuous Struggle to Keep Montana Man from Facing Murder Charge in B. C.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 30.—Attorney Peter Breen, who represented Benjamin A. Blakely, formerly of Libby, Mont., at the extradition hearing held by Commissioner Van Etten last week, is making a determined effort to keep his client from being taken back to British Columbia for trial on a charge of murder. Not only has Breen prepared a petition for habeas corpus and a writ of certiorari in case it should become necessary to take these steps, but he has personally appealed to President Wilson, Secretary Bryan, the Montana delegation at Washington, D. C., and to William Wallace, Jr., recently appointed a member of the United States' attorney's staff, asking them to use their good offices to prevent the surrender of Blakely to the Canadian officers for trial.

A petition is being circulated by Blakely's friends, which has been signed by many Montana residents, and which Breen says will have 15,000 signatures when it reaches Washington requesting that the warrant of extradition be refused. The petition in part reads as follows:

"The commissioner recommended the extradition of Benjamin A. Blakely without a reasonable showing on the port of the Canadian government. A careful perusal of the testimony given by the only eyewitness of the shooting, we submit, will convince any reasonable man, whether he be lawyer or layman, that the action of the commissioner is not warranted by evidence, and can not be attributed to anything other than prejudice or inexperience in his official position.

"Blakely is 30 years old, married and has one child. He has lived in Park and Gallatin counties for 25 years and is a citizen of Montana. Owing to the freaks of fortune he is without means to make a defence in a foreign country."

WENATCHEE PUTS BAN ON ITS CARD ROOMS

Wenatchee, Wash., Dec. 30.—All card tables and card rooms in every pool hall have been put out of business by order of Mayor Parr. Chief Inscho reported to him that some were careless about permitting gambling, even after repeated warnings. A conference was held with City Attorney Kemp, and the mayor immediately made a sweeping order, which is to have permanent effect. This action is supported by an ordinance which gives the mayor discretionary powers.

Still more drastic measures are about to be taken in the case of one or two pool halls. Their licenses will be taken away without ceremony unless they quit admitting minors, Chief Inscho says. They have been warned against this violation of law, but excuse themselves on the ground that young fellows say they are of age.

Chief Inscho believes that managers who want to enforce this law can do so, declaring the reputable halls of the city are proving it. The proprietors of these well-conducted pool halls are anxious to have the law enforced as a matter of justice to themselves.

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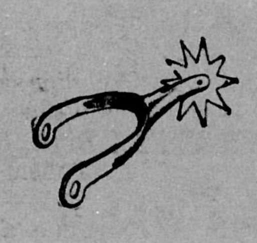

The merchant whose business lags in the summer has himself to thank.

To slacken the selling pace in the hot season—to lessen Advertising activity—indicates a resignation which has no place in modern business.

If we *think* we cannot keep our business booming in summer time, we surely will not.

What a jolt it must have been to the fur trade, when the first mid-summer fur advertisement was run in a daily paper! Now many fur stores are following the example of that progressive fur man who dared to believe that fur sales need not go down as the mercury goes up.

Energy, linked with Advertising, has turned the month of January into the biggest selling season for white goods. Advertisements of a high stimulative power, combined with a disregard of "seasons," have opened up automobile selling two months earlier than was once thought possible. Advertising has started Christmas shopping early in October instead of the middle of December.

Advertising rises superior to seasons and thermometers. The right kind of Advertising strikes a responsive cord in human nature—and human nature is the same in August as in December.

Advice regarding your advertising problems is available through any [illegible] Canadian advertising agency, or the Secretary of the Canadian Press Association, [illegible] involves no obligation on your part—so write, if interested.

A Few Words
- from the -
Model Grocery

We want to see the people who are careful about the quality of their groceries. Whatever business we build up we expect for it to stand upon merit. In buying we select only pure, wholesome goods, and if they are not as we represent them to you, we will cheerfully take them back. On that basis we invite your trade.

Model Grocery
MATHESON & JACOBSON.
808 Sixth St. Phone 1001-2.
East Burnaby Branch, Second St. and Fifteenth Ave. Edmonds Branch, Gray Block. Phone 1111L.

We Heartily Thank the Public for Their Liberal Patronage During the Past Year, and Desire to Express Our Appreciation by Extending Our Kindest

Greetings and Good Wishes ...for... the NEW YEAR

Dominion Trust Company.
Open Evenings from 7 to 9.

Specials for Christmas Time

Heinz's Mincemeat, per lb .....25c.
Jap Oranges, large boxes .....45c.
Sunkist Oranges, dozen ..30c. and 40c
Mixed Nuts, all kinds and fresh per lb. .....25c.
Fresh Cape Cod Cranberries, 2 lbs. 35c
Table Raisins, per package .....25c.
Candies, Stockings, etc.

W. J. RUSE
447 Columbia St. Phone 98

Now Is the Time

to buy Hot Water Bottles. We have them with a two and five year guarantee.

Thermos Bottles $1.50 up

CURTIS REXALL DRUG STORE

Local News

Came Out Second Best.

In a crash between a B. C. E. R. car and a V.-P. transfer wagon on Front street last evening the latter vehicle came out second best, receiving a big dent in the side. The horses escaped uninjured.

The band will be in attendance at the rink every evening this week and also Thursday, New Years afternoon. Special music and special features. (2691)

New Year's Cakes at Eighth Street bakery, branch three doors from tram office. A. Hardman, proprietor. Telephone 281. (2697)

Wind Up Accounts.

To wind up accounts for the present term of office the city council will meet this morning at 10 o'clock.

Insure with Alfred W. McLeod, the insurance man. All kinds written. Hundreds of millions to pay losses. (2524)

For all building supplies and fuel oil apply to the B. C. Transport Co., Ltd., 505 Westminster Trust building. Office phone 826, wharf phone 880. (2527)

Classes resume January 5 at the Modern Business School. (2692)

County Court Sittings.

The next sitting of the county court will be held on January 13.

The Royal Cafe, Dominion Trust block, has re-opened. Best of meals at reasonable prices. (2534)

Don't forget Dr. Proctor's lecture on Sunday, January 4, in Olivet Baptist church at 3:45 p.m. (2698)

Issuing Auto Licenses.

Auto and motor cycle licenses for 1914 are being issued at the provincial police office in the city. Owing to difficulty experienced over payment by unmarked cheques in Vancouver only cash or marked cheques will be accepted in payment for the licenses.

For plumbing, heating and sheet metal work consult Merrithew & Ramsay, Eighth and Carnarvon streets. Phone 586. (2526)

For a thorough up-to-date business training enroll at the "Modern." (2692)

Seek Reprieve.

A largely signed petition bearing the names of prominent residents of Burnaby, South Vancouver and New Westminster has been forwarded to Hon. C. J. Doherty, minister of justice, asking for a reprieve of William Bond, of Central Park, who is serving a two year sentence in the Westminster penitentiary for theft.

Money to loan on first mortgages, improved city and farm property, 9 per cent. Alfred W. McLeod. (2524)

Hundreds of positions are looking for the "trained man." Enroll at the "Modern." (2692)

Operations Commenced.

Unearthing the leaking water main at Essondale was started yesterday morning by the provincial authorities and today J. W. B. Blackburn, city engineer, will make an inspection of the work. The escaping water has cut a channel through the hillside and is being wasted at the rate of many hundreds of gallons each day.

Increase the pay in your pay envelope by attending the "Modern." (2692)

"Get The Habit"

Watch Our Ad. for Specials in the Next Few Days

The Fair
646 Columbia St.,
New Westminster.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

by trading yith us. We guarantee you best quality of goods at lowest prices. Good service, courtesy, and in the words of our slogan, "Satisfaction is Our Aim.". Let us have your 1st of the month order today.

We are clearing out our stock of Christmas goods at greatly reduced prices. If you require anything in the way of Crackers or Chocolates for your parties, come in and see us.

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THREE BIG STORES OF PLENTY.

NEW YEAR'S GROCERIES

JAP ORANGES.
These Oranges will soon be over. Get a box while the season lasts. Per box 50c.

SHORTEREAD.
Used by everyone on New Year's day. In packages at 20c. each; in tins at each 50c.

POPPING CORN.
A dainty for the children that is perfectly harmless, lb. 10c.

TABLE RAISINS.
Large, soft, delicious Raisins, per lb. 25c.

Nuts, Candy, Cakes, Apples, Grapes, in fact everything to make your New Year start right.

C. A. WELSH
LIMITED.

Grand Scotch dance will be held in St. George's hall on New Year's night at 8:30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Thistle Social club. Gents' ticket $1.25. Ladies by invitation. (2690)

Miss Him at Market.

In the death of Thomas Stenson, who was killed by a Westminster interurban car on Sunday afternoon, the New Westminster market loses an old timer who until last week, has not failed to attend market for many years. Mr. Stenson made it a point to travel from Vancouver to this city every Friday morning where he was accustomed to purchase a plentiful supply of eggs from the valley farmers. He was 80 years old, tall and walked with the aid of a stout stick.

A temperance rally will be held in the Olivet Baptist church on Sunday afternoon at 3:45, addressed by A. P. Proctor, M.D., of Vancouver. Come and hear him. (2698)

Get your skates sharpened at Geo. Speck's, 626 Columbia street. (2525)

Social and Personal

At St. Patrick's hall this evening the annual ex-students high school dance will be held.

Final arrangements for the dance being given by the Burquitlam ladies in the agricultural hall, Austin road, this evening, have been completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cockerill, of Burquitlam, gave a very successful whist drive in their home, Austin road, on Monday evening. The first prize for gentlemen was won by Geo. Alderson and the first for ladies by Miss Davies. The consolation prizes were captured by Mrs. Smith and F. Phelps.

Specials
Only for a few days
Cans of corn, peas and Beans 10c. per can.
25c jars of finest jam 20c.

Robson Grocery
Corner 6th St. and 5th Ave.
Phone 404.

Civic Free Employment Bureau
City Hall, Telephone 852.
Is prepared, at short notice, to supply the citizens with help of any description for any purpose. (2665)

OBITUARY.

McLEAN—Yesterday afternoon funeral services were held over the body of the late Duncan McLean in Murchie's undertaking chapel, after which burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Amity lodge No. 27 conducted the services.

STOBART—The funeral of the late Mrs. James Stobart was held yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 222 Fifth avenue, to the Church of England cemetery. Rev. E. R. Bartlett conducted the services.

DARCY—The body of the late E. F. Darcy will be buried this morning at 9 o'clock in the Roman Catholic cemetery following a service in St. Peter's church at which Rev. Father Beck will officiate.

SENKOUL—The funeral of the late Andy Senkoul, who died in New Westminster yesterday will be held this afternoon from Bowell's chapel to the Roman Catholic cemetery. Rev. Father Beck will administer the rites of burial.

MANY UNEMPLOYED BUT NO DISORDER

Ten Thousand Idle in Seattle—Hoboes' Union Feeds Hundreds and Supplies Beds.

Seattle, Dec. 30.—It is estimated that there are ten thousand unemployed men in Seattle, a number larger than in any previous winter, but there has been no disorder and only a little more than the usual amount of petty thieving.

Most of the men have money. For example, thousands of loggers and fishermen came here after being paid off and have considerable sums. Eleven hundred men received free lodging last night. These are the "down-and-outs." On the opening of spring all the idle men except professional vagabonds will find ready employment in road and railroad construction and the lumber industries.

Five hundred men are being fed at the Hoboes' union lodging house at a total expense of $20 a day. This achievement is the result of the men organizing themselves, and with their own commissary and police.

No Professionals.

First of all they expelled all professional tramps, beggars, thieves and drunkards. Then a system of collecting left-over food from hotels and restaurants was adopted. This good food supports the men, with the addition of staples provided from a fund contributed by citizens who desire nothing said about it. The men provide their own cooks. There is no disorder, no complaining.

When the sleeping attendance falls below five hundred it is because men have worked during the day and have money to buy beds in a regular lodging house. Small towns and cities are treating itinerant working men with harshness, driving them into the cities. The report widely published that Seattle is caring for all destitute men has not brought an influx of them, only a few dropping in each day.

If well to do people continue to contribute funds on the same scale as at present the unemployed problem will not be serious at any time during the winter.

Have a System.

Late last night Governor Ernest Lister and Mayor George F. Cotterill, on invitations of the Hoboes' union, visited the lodging house conducted by the union, with the co-operation of the city.

When the governor entered it was explained to him that the 500 lodgers who were sturdy men, nearly all young, were real working men, with not a professional tramp or criminal among them. The system of government, which included a mayor, judge and police, was detailed to the governor, and also the manner of collecting food from the hotels and restaurants each day.

YUAN SHI KAI CALLS DR. SUN YAT SEN TRAITOR

Pekin Dec. 30.—In announcing the recapture of Talifu, President Yuan Shi Kai orders the military commanders throughout the country to inform the troops that Dr. Sun Yat Sen and his associates are attempting from abroad to partition the nation while the people of China desire union.

The presidential mandate issued today deplores the sufferings with which inner Mongolia has been afflicted and orders the Chinese commanders to permit the Mongols to reoccupy the lands and give them financial and other assistance. The northern Mongolians having withdrawn since the Chino-Russian agreement, the mandate continues, it is hoped to pacify inner Mongolia by kindness.

ARM TORN FROM BODY BY PLANING MACHINE BELT

Seattle, Dec. 30.—A. R. Smith, a machinist's helper at the Seattle Construction & Drydock company's plant, was perhaps fatally injured yesterday when his right arm was pulled from his body in the belt of a planing machine.

Smith was attempting to remove a belt from a pulley wheel without shutting off the power. There were no witnesses to the accident. He was heard to cry out and the next instant he was seen flying through the air.

A tournquet was arranged and a few moments later he was hurried to the Seattle general hospital. An operation was performed immediately. Last night it was said there was little hope of his recovery.

ISSUE MILITARY ORDERS AFFECTING BRITISH COLUMBIA

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Militia orders relating to British Columbia were issued today as follows:

31st regiment British Columbia horse—To be adjutant: Captain R. E. Hagel, vice Captain H. G. Forster, transferred to the corps reserve. To be provisional lieutenant, Squadron Sergeant Major C. J. Clarke.

Provisional Lieutenants A. D. Holeg, T. Osborne and T. B. Charles permitted to retire.

Captain V. E. Gawyer, Indian army, is granted temporary command in the active military service of Canada, while employed under the Canadian government.

FIVE GUILTY OF ACCEPTING BRIBES

Members of West Virginia Legislature Indicted in Connection With Election of Senator.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Five members of the West Virginia legislature are guilty of accepting bribes in connection with the election of a United States senator at the regular session held in January and February, 1913, and should be expelled, is the finding of a joint committe of the two houses of the legislature, made public today.

One member of the state senate and six members of the house of delegates were indicted last February charged with accepting bribes to vote for Col. William Seymour Edwards as United States senator to succeed Clarence W. Watson. Later Judge Nathan Goff of the United Stated circuit court was elected.

Five of the men under indictment have since been tried, convicted and sentenced to terms in the state penitentiary.

ENGINE HOUSE FOR C. N. RAILWAY

May Transform Dry Kilns on Former Royal City Mills Property.

The transformation of the dry kilns, vacated when the Royal City Mills property was purchased by the Canadian Northern, into an engine house capable of housing six locomotives, is understood to be under contemplation by the officials of the C. N. P. R.

Slight structural alterations to the buildings will have to be made before they could be used for such a purpose and a decision in the matter will probably be made within the next few weeks.

At the present time the engine house of the mill which survived the disastrous fire that practically gutted the mill two summers ago, is being razed to the ground, the boilers being sold for junk.

GENUINE VALUES IN HIGH-GRADE FURNITURE

A reduction on every article of furniture in the store until December 31. Our Specials are:

SEA GRASS AND BAMBOO ROCKERS, SECTIONAL BOOKCASES AND LIBRARY TABLES.

$25.00 Brass Beds $19.75
Iron Bed Spring and Mattress complete for 8.25

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Brass Bed, Spring and all wool Mattress for 21.00

Big reductions on Blankets and Quilts. "You lose if you go elsewhere." Get our prices.

DENNY & ROSS
The Big Furniture Store Sixth and Carnarvon Sts.

EVERYTHING WAS CHEAP.

Just Imagine Buying a Whole Sheep For 10 Cents.

A countryman living just beyond the outskirts of London drove to the metropolis one day to order a few provisions, etc.

(By the way, this account is perfectly true. It is not a problem or a joke. The prices stated can be verified.)

The countryman first went to the nearest cobbler's. There he bought a good pair of shoes. Not shoddy footwear, carelessly turned out or even machine made, but hand sewed and of fine, strong leather. For this pair of shoes he paid just 7 cents.

Next he drove to a butcher stall in Smithfield. There he bought a sheep, a dozen chickens and ten pounds of beef. For the sheep he paid 10 cents. For the chickens he paid 1½ cents apiece, or 18 cents for the dozen. The ten pounds of beef cost him a nickel. For beef was half a cent a pound.

Stowing away his purchases in his big wagon, the farmer next stopped at a fish stall, where for 10 cents he bought twenty-five big codfish.

His visit to the grain merchant cost him more. For he was forced to pay 15 cents for a bushel of rye—a sum out of all proportion to his earlier purchases. It was cheaper, you see, to buy ment than the rye bread to eat it with.

But his ensuing trip to the draper's for enough homespun cloth to provide him with a winter suit atoned for the high price of the grain. For he found that the stout homespun cloth was selling at 12 cents an ell, or 93-5 cents a yard.

The farmer had no trouble in carrying his wares home in his wagon. For the wagon was large. He had driven it to London full of firewood, and this wagon load of wood he had sold for 12 cents.

The foregoing prices are all accurate. The high cost of living had not yet hit England. For, you see, all this happened several years ago.

In fact, it was at the beginning of the sixteenth century.—New York World.

METEORIC SHOWERS.

Why They Have Little or No Effect Upon the Earth's Balance.

In answer to the query, "The earth is held in its orbit by the absolute balance of centripetal and centrifugal forces, and if the balance were disturbed the earth should fly away into space or fall to the sun, yet this balance is continually disturbed by meteors and other causes and no catastrophe occurs; please explain," Edgar Lucien Larkin, in the New York American, says:

"There is no centrifugal force as such in nature. What so appears is reaction against gravity due to the motion of the earth. Inertia, an inherent property of all matter, would forever maintain a moving body in an absolutely straight line in its original direction unless some outside force draws it aside. The direction of drawing aside is always toward the outside disturbing mass—the sun in this case. And the earth thus continually falls from a straight line—a tangent—to its orbit through a distance of one ninth of an inch during each second.

"If gravitation should suddenly be annihilated the earth would fly away on a straight line into space. But should a trillion tons of meteors suddenly fall on the earth it would not fall to the sun, but would still revolve around it much faster on a smaller orbit. The year would be shorter. And the new orbit assumed would be determined in space by the equilibrium of central gravitation and the reaction of inertia of the earth against it. But since the setting up of the grand master clock in Greenwich no variation of the length of the sidereal year has been detected. Therefore the mass of all the millions of meteors falling on the earth daily is too small to have any appreciable effect on the length of the year."

Queer Bridge Foundation.

At the little town of Wadebridge, Cornwall, England, there is a bridge of a unique character. Owing to the strength of the current ordinary stone foundations would not hold, and numerous devices were tried without success. Eventually bags of wool were sunk in the stream and the piles driven in, and this strange foundation has proved wonderfully firm and satisfactory.

Belated Discovery.

"My dear," said Mr. Bickers to his wife, "I saw in the papers today a decision of a court that the wife may in some cases be the head of the family."

"John Henry," replied Mrs. Bickers, "the courts are sometimes very slow in finding out things."—Puck.

Had a Good Excuse.

"They were next door neighbors for years, and yet they never spoke."

"That's the way with people in cities."

"There was some excuse in this case. The prison rules forbade talking."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Ending the Argument.

"Briggs called me a liar."

"Didn't you deny it?"

"Yes, and he said that proved that I was."—Boston Transcript.

Not Society's Fault.

Gibbs—How did that rich boor manage to get introduced into society? Hibbs—He wasn't introduced; he was injected.—Judge.

The lucky man is the one who sees and grasps his opportunity.

Stanbridge Mayor Dies.

Stanbridge, Que., Dec. 30.—Mayor Charles E. Blinn died here last night following an attack of apoplexy. He is survived by a widow, one son and one daughter. The funeral will take place Thursday and will be under the direction of the local Masonic lodge.

BODY WAS THAT OF OLD TIMER.

Remains Found in Fraser Solve Mystery of Disappearance of E. F. Darcy Four Years Ago.

For four years the whereabouts of E. F. Darcy of this city, and an old timer of the district, have been a mystery; now the mystery is solved for the badly decomposed body of a man taken from the Fraser at Sunbury two weeks ago has been identified as that of the long-missing man.

A set of false teeth and a shred of blue clothing were the scant, but sufficient means of identification. Dr. Levey, a dentist, is positive the set of false teeth found with the body were made by him, and W. F. Diggs is sure he sold the clothing to an asylum employee, and the deceased was an asylum employee.

It was on Feb. 10, 1910 that Mr. Darcy was discovered to be missing and his hat found on the Fraser river bridge. Then and since, all endeavors to find out his fate were fruitless. Two weeks ago, on Dec. 19, a jury upon the body found at Sunbury brought in a verdict of "found dead" and the body was buried. The teeth and clothing were kept and it is by them identification has been established.

The remains have been exhumed and will be buried today with the rites of the Roman Catholic church.

Not a Suffragette.

London, Dec. 30.—Princess Sophie Duleep Singh, of a prominent Anglo-Indian family permitted her property to be seized rather than pay taxes because she belongs to the Woman's Tax Resistance league. Arraigned in court she said: "When the state recognizes me as a citizen I will pay my share of its upkeep. If I am not a person for the purpose of representation I will not be a person for the purpose of taxation."

Investigation Ordered.

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—A full investigation into alleged irregularities at the recent civic elections was order by the city council last night and an appropriation of $500 for the purpose of carrying on the investigation and the prosecution of any cases discovered, was voted to Corporation Counsel Hunt, who has been entrusted with carrying on the investigation.

Mexican Denies Report.

Tokio, Dec. 30.—Francisco de la Barra left here for Paris today, having completed the mission entrusted to him by the Mexican government of thanking Japan for her participation in the Mexican centennial. Senor Pardo, the Mexican minister here, gave out the following statement today: Reports published in America that 50 Japanese officers had applied for permission to attach themselves to the Mexican federal army are untrue.

What a Disappointment!

Portland, Ore., Dec. 30.—Unidentified persons, including one woman, invited 500 employed men today to go to a church, where, it was said, they would be fed. The men went in the rain to find that they had been directed to a luncheon of the Rotary club, a business men's organization. The police drove them away.

Public Playground.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 30.—S. Benson, a noted Oregon timber man and good roads advocate has bought 220 acres, embracing the famous Gordon Falls, on the Columbia river, east of Portland, and will make of the spot a scenic playground on which the public may roam. The falls will be improved on a plan similar to the Busch gardens of Pasadena, Cal.

Gift Costs Boy's Life.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—A Christmas present to 10-year-old Francis Grady cost the boy his life yesterday. In riding down a hill on a roller coaster given him by his parents, the youth collided with an automobile, driven by Richard O'Connor, chauffeur for a real estate firm and was so badly injured that he died soon afterwards. After the boy ran into the car, O'Connor stopped his machine, picked up the young victim and hurried with him in the automobile to a hospital.

Died Laughing.

Edmonton, Dec. 30.—While talking and laughing with some of the nurses in the Miresicordia hospital, Richard Graham was suddenly seized with heart failure and died within five minutes. Suffering from a broken leg, caused by the kick of a horse on his son's farm at Hofield two weeks ago, Mr. Graham was brought to Edmonton to receive medical attention.

FIRE ALARM BOXES

The following is a complete list to date of the positions of fire alarm boxes in this city:

4—Fourth avenue and Sixth.
5—Asylum.
6—Royal City Mills.
7—Sixth avenue and Sixth.
8—Royal avenue and Eighth.
9—Fifth avenue and Twelfth.
12—Agnes street and Merrivale.
13—Cumberland street and Harvey.
14—Columbia and Dufferin.
15—Brunette Mills, Sapperton.
16—Royal Columbian Hospital.
17—Hospital and Richmond.
21—Queen's avenue and Third.
22—Royal avenue and Second.
23—Queen's avenue and Sixth.
24—Third avenue and Second.
25—Fifth avenue and Fourth.
26—Fifth avenue and Eighth.
27—Third avenue and Tenth.
29—Sixth avenue and First.
31—Carnarvon street and Begbie.
32—Agnes and Sixth.
34—Front street and Merrivale.
35—Columbia and McKenzie.
36—C. P. R. Station.
42—Small and Bucklin Mills.
43—B. C. E. R. Railway Car Shops.
45—Sixth avenue and Tenth.
46—Eighth avenue and Twelfth.
47—Sixth avenue and Fourteenth.

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VANCOUVER TRIMS ROYALS ON TERMINAL CITY ICE

Pools of Water Makes Game Slow and Listless—Westminster Has Heavy Injured List—Final Score 7-3—Pitre Star Man—Tobin Unable to Play.

In a slow and listless game played on the poorest ice yet seen in a coast league game, Vancouver took the lead in the race for the Paterson trophy by defeating New Westminster seven goals to three at the Vancouver arena last evening. Except when Art Throop went through alone in the opening stanza and registered the first tally, the Royals were never in the running.

Johnson surprised everybody by turning out again in uniform but this was caused more through Charlie Tobin not being in condition to play owing to his having spiked himself in a practice three days ago. This peck of trouble together with the fact that George Rochon has yet to get his ice legs accounted for a Terminal City victory.

The defeat of the Royals was made more emphatic on account of the superior back-checking of the Millionaires, a three-man defence continually guarding the net under control of Allan Parr, Pitre, the French Canadian bullet was the star man of the game, the former Canadien playing well to his name both on the attack and defence. Then again Sibby Nichols was there with the goods, the lacrosse player certainly earning the right to fill the shoes of Frank Nighbor. Taylor showed a flash of his old form but this was scintillated to a greater extent owing to Johnson being unable to use his familiar sweep stroke when back on the defence.

One-Two-Three Order.

Vancouver forged to the front in the first period increasing its lead in the second and third stanzas while Westminster had to be satisfied with one tally in each 20 minutes of play. For individual goal-getting Eddie Oatman well earned the plaudits of the crowd when he went through from back of the net and scored on his lonesome.

Of the officials Skinner Poulin refereed a non-partizan game, but the same cannot be said of Walter Smaill, who appeared to be sightseeing through a solitary lens.

Very little rough work crept into the game, although Fred Harris played some of his old tricks when he made a deliberate attempt to spike Johnson in centre ice. Harris was the man who laid Johnson out in the last game in Westminster and is well in the running to draw a suspension from President Frank Patrick for his rough stuff.

The following summary tells the tale:

The Line-up.

Westminster		Vancouver
	Goal	
Lehman		Parr
	Point	
Rochon		F. Patrick
	Cover Point	
Johnson		Griffis
	Rover	
Oatman		Pitre
	Centre	
Mallen		Taylor
	Right Wing	
McDonald		Nichols
	Left Wing	
Throop		Harris

Officials.

Referee, S. Poulin; judge of play, W. Smaill; goal umpires, A. Benedett, Westminster, F. Ion, Vancouver; game timers, P. Curley (Van.), Ed. Savage (N.W.); penalty timer, Chas. Young.

Goal Summary.

First Period—Throop (N.W.) 2:00; Nichols (Van.) :15; Taylor (Van.) 5:37; Nichols (Van.) 5:01.

Second period — Mallen (N.W.) 5:28; Harris (Van.) 2:00; Griffis (Van.) 11:22.

Third period—Pitre (Van.) 2:28; Harris (Van.) 3:17; Oatman (N.W.) 5:20.

Penalties.

First period—Griffis (Van.); Griffis (Van.)

Second period—Pitre (Van.) Throop (N.W.)

Third period—Johnson (N.W.) Throop (N.W.)

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	Goals F.	A.
Vancouver	3	2	32	26
Victoria	2	2	23	23
Westminster	2	3	22	28

Next game, Westminster at Victoria, Jan. 2 1914.

HEAVY SCORING BATTLES FEATURE AMATEUR GAMES

Beavers Swamp Sapperton 13-0—Fraser Mills Turn Trick on the Moose 12-1.

To prevent bewilderment adding machines should have been furnished to each spectator at the arena last night when the Beavers defeated Sapperton by 13 to 0 and Fraser Mills won from the Moose 12 to 1. In the Beavers-Sapperton contest particularly the goals were chalked up in such quick succession as to become monotonous unless one was good at arithmetic.

The Fraser Mills-Moose game was the better one to watch and at times the playing was fairly fast. Though it was one-sided the Moose put up a lively defence and the Circle F string had to work for its points.

Four minutes after the Beavers and Sapperton took the ice the scoring started and kept right on going until the grand finale in the last period when no less than nine goals were scored in one-two-three order. This game lacked vim and had few exciting moments.

Thomas, the latest Sapperton goalkeeper, did not do anything that would cause Hugh Lehman to fear for his job. He showed he had nerve, but little else.

The only real accident of the evening chose Rogers, of the Sappertons, for its victim. He had his nose broken by the puck. Sutherland, of the Beavers, retired and the game was finished with six men a side. As was the case last week the Moose turned up with a man missing and their game with the Fraser Mills was also a six-man one.

The teams were:

First Game.

Fraser Mills—Dunbar, Lett, Scott, Box, Boileau, **Jefford and Sanderson.**

Moose—Bradshaw, Finlayson, C. Cunningham, McLeod, Stacey and Hanford.

Penalties—McLeod (2), Lett, Sanderson, Cunningham and Scott.

Goal Summary—First period: Box, .20; Scott, 3.20; Sanderson, 1.30; Jefford, 3.20; Sanderson, .45; Sanderson, .35; Box, 2.05. Second period: Boileau, 10.20; Box 3.28. Third period: Boileau, .30; Box, 4.20; Stacey (M.), 2.15; Box, 2.50.

Second Game.

The teams:

Beavers—Swanson, Swan, Williamson, Kinnie, Sutherland, Hastie and Spence.

Sapperton — Thomas, Robertson, Heppenstall, Rogers, Corrigan, Whittaker and Harrington.

Penalties—None.

Goal Summary—First period: Sutherland, 4.00; Swan, .10. Second period: Spence, 2.28; Williamson, 1.17. Third period: Spence, .25, 2.00; Kinnie, 3.25; Spence, .12; Kinnie, 1.03, 2.30, .45, 1.05; Hastie, 1.30.

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	F.	A.
Beavers	5	0	40	3
Fraser Mills	4	1	38	16
Sapperton	1	4	13	41
Moose	0	5	6	37

Next game, Tuesday, January 6—Beavers vs. Fraser Mills; Sapperton vs. Moose.

Canadiens Furnish Surprise by Defeating Quebec Away from Home

The one surprise in the second series played in the N. H. A. last evening was the defeat of Quebec on its own ice, the Canadiens turning the trick by the close score of 4-3. This is the first defeat of the Ancient City septette on its own cigar-box rink for two seasons and demonstrates the strength of Jimmy Gardner's aggregation from Montreal.

On the Torontot rink, Ontarios defeated Ottawa by a score of 3 goals to 1, thus making the second defeat of the Capitals in four days.

At Montreal the Wanderers continued their winning streak by defeating Torontos to the tune of 7-3. The Queen City septette was never in the running.

N. H. A. Standing.

	W.	L.	F.	A.
Wanderers	2	0	17	6
Canadiens	1	1	4	6
Quebec	1	1	6	6
Torontos	1	1	6	7
Ontarios	1	1	6	11
Ottawas	0	2	17	6

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THE SPIN OF THE SPORT WHEEL

The Mainland Football association jumped upon several players with both feet at the meeting held Monday evening. Meiklejohn, of the Rovers, was one who got let down, the local player being under suspension for one month dating from Monday.

The O. H. A. looks like a good thing gone wrong following the recent investigation as to the professionalism which is alleged to prevail in what was supposed to be the one real amateur organization in the country. It looks like a meal ticket that's all punched out. For several years the Toronto press has hammered the professional game when they were well aware of the coin being handed to amateur players.

Baseball players who join the Federal league will be enjoined, according to Charlie Murphy, of the Cubs. We have heard of lacrosse players being hauled into court for similar stunts.

English exchanges just arrived call Bombardier Wells a "spoof," a "blooming spouter," a "bum toff," and a "kill-joy boxer." There is no doubt he is a bloody awful prize fighter as our old college chump Queensberry would remark.

The coming baseball season will show the fans whether Frank Chance is a $25,000 manager. Chance picked up a poor team when he assumed control of the New York Highlanders last spring, but the old Cub is liable to spring something out of the ordinary in 1914. One thing, he will not take his players to Bermuda for training purposes.

The question is asked: "When is the Fraser Mills Hockey club to stage another smoker?" Not one of the Yordy-Thompson brand, but after a pattern of the one held some six weeks ago.

Which recalls to mind that a Westminster organization is planning a smoker on a big scale somewhere about the end of January. With Vancouver talent over here the event would be well supported.

The New Westminster bowling quintette, at present tied for premier position in the Inter-City league, commences operations again on Vancouver drives next week. The Royals are certainly hitting a fast clip considering they are a team without a home, the local alleys having been closed down.

With a representative team in the field the Bankers should have little difficulty in defeating the Lonsdale United at Moody park New Year's afternoon. The contest should be well worth watching, however, and no doubt a good crowd will be on deck to view the operations.

A NEW YEAR GIFT

Mayor Mars Presents Port Coquitlam F. C. with New Uniforms—Cup Tie on Saturday.

For being a team well supported the Coquitlam soccer eleven cops the cookie in these parts. Without this support the ranchers would be unable to field the team that has been fighting in the front ranks for the past few years.

Mayor Mars of the Port City, one of the strongest supporters of the eleven, followed up his past acts this week by donating a new set of uniforms, enough to rig out the entire team. The colors are the same as before, orange and black.

It is expected that the players will trot out in their new suits on Saturday afternoon at Port Coquitlam when they clash with West Vancouver in the first round for the Mainland cup.

Arrangements are being made for the holding of a concert that same evening.

CLAIM ORGANIZED BASEBALL IS TRUST

Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—That organized baseball will be attacked as a trust under the Sherman anti-trust law, and as maintaining a black list in case any injunctions are sought to restrain players held under the reserve clause, from playing with the Federal league was indicated in a statement issued today by Edward E. Gates, of this city, counsel for the Federal league.

At the Theatres

"BUNTY PULLS THE STRINGS."

New Westminster theatregoers turned out and almost crowded the opera house last evening when the well known Scotch comedy, "Bunty Pulls the Strings," was presented. To say that the play was Scotch was putting it mildly and it is no exaggeration to say that "Bunty" pulled the strings, for pull the strings she did to perfection, saving her father from the spinster who had "hooked" him and marrying him to an old love of his early youth. She also marries herself very diplomatically to the young man of her choice and saves her brother Bob when he is in trouble.

The play was well received and Dawsey McNaughton merited the applause she received as "Bunty," daughter of Tammas Biggar. This last role was played by J. H. Heron. Sussie Simpson, Wellum's aunt, was played by Grace Richardson, while Wellum Sprunt was well taken care of by J. M. McFarline.

"COUNTERFEIT" BILLS ARE PROVED TO BE GENUINE.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—A Montreal story to the effect that counterfeit bills in large numbers are being made in that city has been punctured by the Dominion police. Col. Sherwood commissioner of the Dominion police says the alleged bogus ten dollar bills had been found to be genuine and the whole thing was only a scare due to to the recent discovery of the gang of counterfeiters at Joliette.

Detective Parkinson when he went to work on the case believed the bills were good and he sent them here for examination. They were found to be all right and were sent back to Montreal today. Two bills were of the same number but of different letter series.

WILL CROSS SOUTH POLAR CONTINENT

Shackleton's Expedition Will Be Most Arducus Ever Attempted by Explorer.

London, Dec. 30.—Columns are devoted in the newspapers today to Sir Ernest Shackleton's plans for his proposed expedition to the Antarctic next year. The expedition is generally hailed as indicative of the spirit of British bull-dog determination.

The main object of the expedition will be to cross the south polar continent from Weddel sea to Ross sea, a distance, roughly, of 1700 miles, making the south pole a halfway house on the great journey, of which at least half will be over an entirely new route. It will be the biggest polar journey ever attempted and if successful will open up, in the Weddel Quadrant a vast unexplored region, which is still a blank on the map.

The actual program of the expedition is dependent upon the monetary support which may be secured from the public, but there is no doubt that the undertaking will be proceeded with and will be the greatest in the history of Antarctic expeditions. Provision will be made in case the party has to spend two winters in the south but Sir Ernest hopes for a mild season, which will enable him to reach Ross sea by May, 1915.

Aeroplane Sledges.

An interesting feature of the equipment to be used by Sir Ernest will be sledges driven by aeroplane engines and an aeroplane with clipped wings to aid in propelling the sledges over the ice.

The transcontinental party will consist of six men and 120 dogs. The animals chosen will be those accustomed to team and post work in Siberia and Alaska and they will be handled by experienced Canadians.

Main Object.

In an interview dealing with his plans Sir Ernest said:

The main object of the expedition will be the crossing of the polar continent. The unknown fields in the world which are still unconquered are rapidly narrowing down, but there still remains this great work. Of recent years the interest of geographers and the public has been concentrated on the approach to the pole from Ross sea.

"Except Dr. Bruce's discovery of Coats Land in 1904, and the results of the Filchner expedition of last year, we know scarcely more of the Weddell quadrant than we did in Weddell's day. There is a vast unexplored region in the big white space on the map.

"The crossing of the south polar continent will be the biggest polar undertaking ever attempted, a longer journey than to the pole and back and infinitely more difficult, because we shall always be advancing over new ground with no depots to draw from.

"The minimum distance from sea to sea is roughly 1700 miles and more than half the distance will be positively a new route. With good fortune it is probable that the whole journey will cover new ground. That is to say, after reaching the pole from Weddell sea we may strike out a route over to Ross sea, which will be neither that which I followed on my previous journey and which Capt. Scott took, nor the other and shorter one adopted by Amundsen."

Two Ships.

The expedition will have two ships, both driven by oil fuel, giving a radius for operation four times greater than coal. The larger vessel will leave Buenos Ayres early next October for the Antarctic, reaching, if possible, 78 degrees, where there is a good landing place, discovered by a German explorer.

"If the ice conditions permit, the expedition will reach the base at the beginning of November. A shore party of six men will land and proceed immediately on the march across the continent. Otherwise permanent winter quarters will be made on Weddell sea and depots will be laid out towards the pole before the winter, in which event the expedition will cross the continent the following year.

"In addition to the six men of the transcontinental party, there will be a biologist, a geologist and a physician attached to the ship. Others may be added if funds permit. Probably 30 men will be taken altogether. We will also use an aeroplane and aero-motor-driven sledges."

WARMING UP FOR BURNABY ELECTION

Candidates Preparing for Interesting Campaign Which Opens Early Next Week.

With the exception of the regular meeting of the Edmonds District Ratepayers' association in Moreton hall on Friday evening, when it is expected that the atmosphere connected with the race in ward two will be cleared somewhat, little will be done in the election campaign in Burnaby until the beginning of next week.

All three candidates for the reeveship, D. C. McGregor, A. V. C. Macpherson and Hugh M. Fraser are preparing for the opening of the campaign.

Interest is gaining in the different fights for councillor in the wards, each section promising to be well contested. In North Burnaby Councillors Macdonald and Vau-Vel will be opposed by A. L. Yorston and W. Culley respectively.

In the East Burnaby district each of the three candidates, Councillor Coldicutt, William Karrmann and Charles Allen are completing their organization and are quietly canvassing the ward. This race is causing no little speculation, the question simmering down as to whether the Coldicutt opposition will split its votes between Messrs. Karrmann and Allen.

Not Yet Decided.

Walter S. Rose has yet to give his final decision in ward two, asking for further time at the last meeting of the ratepayers' association. Mr. Rose if he enters, will be opposed by D. C. Patterson, who is completing two years' work as school trustee.

In ward one another interesting race is foreshadowed by the appearance of William Bevan in the field, opposed by Councillor Stride, the present incumbent and Otto Deckert. This is Mr. Bevan's third attempt and the second for Mr. Deckert, while Councillor Stride's record on the council with one term excepted, dates back some 13 years.

In this district which takes in a greater portion of the municipality south of the Central Park line of the B. C. E. R., the Alta Vista and Vancouver vote will play a prominent part. This is the first time that any number of voters have qualified in Alta Vista although some 300 odd families are in residence there.

In Central Park the Fraser faction appears to have easy sailing with its candidate for councillor, William Murray. The present representative, Councillor Mayne, failed to secure the nomination from the West Burnaby association and this is looked upon as a setback on his chances for re-election.

In North Burnaby little interest is being shown except in the race for chief magistrate. On account of his activities and assistance in securing the passage of the B. C. E. R. franchise and the consequent construction and operation of an additional two miles of tram line in the north, Reeve McGregor will undoubtedly pull a heavy vote in wards four and five. A considerable proportion of the Vancouver vote is polled in North Burnaby owing to the proximity of the polling station to the city but whether the present reeve can retain his hold on the Terminal City vote against Hugh Fraser, another Vancouver business man, can still be classed in the doubtful column.

NOT INNOCENT BUT HE IS FREED

Italian Prisoner Released After Five Years Was Not Wrongfully Imprisoned.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Since the liberation of the Italian prisoner Geralipo Faisari from St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary on Christmas eve, after serving five years of a fifteen year sentence, there has been much comment on the case and considerable has been suggested for the early [illegible]

It is learned at the department of justice, however, that the public have received a wrong impression of the case. The representations of the minister of justice to the governor-general on matters of clemency are

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LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Re Blocks 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of part of S. W. ¼, Section 18, Township 8

A Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above property will be issued to Mabel Louisa Playfair on the 31st day of December, 1913, unless in the meantime a valid objection be made to me in writing by a person or persons claiming an estate or interest therein, or in any part thereof.

J. C. GWYNN,
District Registrar of Titles.

Land Registry Office,
New Westminster, B.C., November 25th, 1913.

The person or persons having in their custody or possession the following Title Deeds relating to the said property are requested to deliver the same to the undersigned.

17th January, 1879. Crown grant to Gordon Parmer Dafoe of S. W. ¼, Section 18, Township 8.

17th January, 1879. Gordon Parmer Dafoe to George Marshall, conveyance in fee of the S.W. 10 acres of S.W.¼ Section 18, Township 8.

31st December, 1903. Gordon Parmer Dafoe to Jack Miller, conveyance in fee of S. part of S.W.¼, Section 18, Township 8.

24th September, 1904. Gordon Parmer Dafoe to Jack Miller, conveyance in fee part of S. W. ¼, Section 18, Township 8.

11th February, 1905. Jack Miller to David Wright, conveyance in fee of the south portion of S. W. ¼ of Section 18, Township 8, except 10 acres.

J. C. GWYNN,
(2476) District Registrar of Titles.

COQUITLAM MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Court of Revision of the Voters' Lists for 1914 will be held at the Council Chamber, Maillardville, on Monday, January 5th, 1914, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

A. HALIBURTON, Clerk.
Maillardville, B.C., December 27th, 1913. (2688)

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In Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Johnson, late of the City of New Westminster, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the above named Thomas Johnson, late of the City of New Westminster, in the County of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, deceased, who died on the second day of September, 1913, and whose will was proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the thirtieth day of October, 1913, and to whose real and personal estate letters of administration with the will annexed were granted to James Johnson of the City of New Westminster aforesaid, are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to the undersigned, the administrator with the will annexed, on or before the 11th day of January, 1914, at the undermentioned address, after which date the said administrator with the will annexed will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Thomas Johnson, deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice and the said administrator with the will annexed will not be liable for the assets of the said Thomas Johnson, deceased, or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claims or demands he shall not then have had notice.

Dated this 11th day of December, A.D. 1913.

JAMES JOHNSON,
Administrator with the Will Annexed, 212 Eighth street, New Westminster, B.C. (2581)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Court of Revision of the Voters' Lists for 1914 will be held at the Municipal hall, Edmonds, B.C., on Monday, January 5th, 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

ARTHUR G. MOORE, Clerk.
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CONFIDENT TONE WAS THE FEATURE

Canada Club Affair in London Leaves Good Impression In Its Wake.

London, Dec. 30.—Everyone was very cheerful at the recent banquet of the Canada club. There was, of course, as usual, a large company of London bankers, financiers and business men concerned with Canadian affairs, and the success of the Montreal city loan had put them in good humor with themselves. "You see," they said, "the British investing public is as keen as ever upon Canadian opportunities, provided Canada is prepared to pay the increased price which world conditions demand." There was, it is true, the semi-success of the Toronto loan, pointing in a contrary direction, but the conditions of its issue were regarded as quite exceptional. Indeed, the applications actually made for this Toronto loan on the first day are said to have almost covered the total of a million sterling; it was only when the Canadian government's surprise issue of four millions sterling was put upon the market that some of the Toronto applications had to be withdrawn. This is quite possible seeing the obligations under which certain firms feel themselves to give priority in their support of any Canadian government issue in this country.

A French-Canadian's Speech.

However, the general tone of the highly representative and influential Anglo-Canadian gathering was thoroughly cheerful. The speech of the evening, that elicited most cheers, and attracted most attention in the press, was that of Sir Alexander Lacoste. His half broken English itself appealed to many of his hearers, while the obvious sincerity of his utterance won everyone's sympathy. His theme was the position of the French-Canadian in the British empire, a subject which always arouses interest among Englishmen, and which has just now been brought more prominently before the public by certain Canadian telegrams reporting somewhat strange utterances by Mr. Bourassa, in the course of his Ontario visit.

"I am," remarked the distinguished ex-chief justice, "more or less in a straight-jacket when I have to speak English." He frankly admitted, as a Canadian of French descent, that Canada would have to meet in the future, as in the past, "great difficulties." It has evidently wounded his pride to hear things in England during his present visit, that he has never heard before. "Some of my friends," he said, "have asked me is it true that the French-Canadians are not loyal?" And then he embarked upon a delightful little narrative of how Canada was saved to the empire by French-Canadians, in the days of General Montgomery, and again in the conflict of 1812.

Plea for English Sympathy.

"Of course," he said, "we Canadians, of French descent, like France, for blood speaks. It cannot be otherwise; but there is not one Canadian now, whatever his love to France, who would be willing to go back to France and abandon England. And why? It is your admirable constitution—the only constitution which permits to rule not only the people of one creed, but the people of all creeds; not only the people of one race, but the people of all races. We have had friction in Canada, but it has not been due to the constitution. If the constitution was obeyed in its spirit, there would be no friction."

And then Sir Alexander went on to plead with Englishmen for their aid. "Let not the people of England be prejudiced against one of the races which go to make up the Canadian people. Your emigrants who come to us will feel this prejudice if you are prejudiced yourselves. What we require is the unprejudiced mind in our country, and if our immigrants come to us with their mind unprejudiced, we are sure to solve our difficulties, and unitedly make Canada as great as it can be made. There is not now one dissentient voice out of a hundred people in the Dominion wishing to separate from England."

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, as the special guest of the club, on the occasion of his appointment as general manager of the Bank of Montreal, received the most cordial greetings from the innumerable friends he has made in the Anglo-Canadian community here, while Mr. Donald Macmaster, the president of the evening, had entertaining reminiscences to give of his recent round-the-empire tour.

HURT IN THRESHER AND DEMANDS $15,800

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 30.—For using a bolt to fasten together two parts of a threshing machine, Charles Hungate is asked by Ernest Dickey, foreman of the threshing outfit of which Hungate and his father were owners, to pay him $15,800. A suit for this amount was filed here. Dickey charges that Hungate ordered him to fasten two parts of the machine together and that he refused for the reason, he says, that the repair was unnecessary and that it would result in a deathtrap.

He charges that Hungate later without his knowledge, put in the bolt and that while working on the machine his clothing was caught and he was whirled around and around, both his ankles being broken, the muscles of his back wrenched loose and his eyesight injured before the machinery could be stopped.

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NEW STATISTICS ON TRANSPORT PROBLEM

Astounding Character of Figures Given by Glasgow Expert to Chamber of Commerce.

Glasgow, Dec. 30.—New statistics of an astounding character relative to railway economy and the problem of transportation within the metropolis were given to the Glasgow chamber of commerce by A. W. Gattie this afternoon.

Discussing the possibility of substituting machinery for hand labor in porterage, Mr. Gattie stated that a whole "human" horsepower hour cost 4s 4d. This was based on the goods porter's wage of 4d. per hour and the ability to develop one-tenth of a horse power by muscular effort. An electric horse-power-hour cost, in Glasgow, less than one halfpenny, to which might be added another halfpenny for capital and maintenance charges for the machine. That was a total of 1d. instead of 40d.—a big economy, but not the whole story. The machine could do the work quicker and better than the man. The machine could do all that the man could do, and a great deal that he could not do. The substitution of machinery for hand labor brought them face to face with the labor question. What had labor got to say about it? He had discussed the point very carefully with the chiefs of the National union of railwaymen, and J. E. Williams, the secretary, had written expressing the opinion that the new transport company's scheme "would benefit not only the railway companies, but also their employees."

Basing his calculations upon statistics supplied by the railway companies to the board of trade, Mr. Gattie suggested that only 24,000,000 hours out of the 97,000,000 hours spent by train drivers annually upon locomotives in Great Britain could be accounted for as engaged in haulage upon the railway track. The remainder of the time is spent in sidings or in terminal work.

Shunting absorbed about 62 out of each 76 active hours of the locomotive's life, or 81.57 per cent. His point was that if 81 1-2 per cent., or anything like 41 1-2 per cent. of the available energies of a locomotive were absorbed by shunting, they were justified on that plea alone in asking whether shunting was advisable at all. By liberating locomotives from the work of shunting, the railways would, according to his calculations, increase their efficiency by about 300 per cent.

Mr. Gattie's figures regarding the life of goods wagons suggested that of the 1,400,000 railway wagons in use, 97 per cent. permanently occupy sidings. In other words, 5,000 miles of railway wagons were permanently immobile.

Hopeless Extravagance.

The cost of road cartage in the United Kingdom is not less than 200,000,000 pounds per annum. One hundred and twenty thousand trade vehicles are employed daily in London alone; their upkeep costs 30,000,000 pounds per annum. The work done per day amounts to about 85,000 tons, or three-quarters of a ton per vehicle, and the average distance of cartage might be estimated at three miles. To carry three-quarters of a ton a distance of three miles was a very poor day's work; such, however, was the efficiency of a London van. Four hundred and fifty miles of vehicles stood still in London's streets for nine hours per day.

With these statistics Mr. Gattie led up to his scheme for clearing houses—central establishments equipped with electrical machinery for the sorting and distribution of goods into trucks bound direct for their respective destinations. Mr. Gattie estimates the cost of a London clearing house at 14,000,000 pounds, and the surplus pronts at 9,295,000 pounds sterling, after paying all charges, and interest on capital. He believes that with such a house he could increase the efficiency of railway locomotives 300 per cent., add vastly to the active lives of goods wagons, and produce for the railway companies by the sale of their London goods yards a capital redemption of 20,000,000 pounds sterling. Mr. Gattie's proposals, it is understood, are about to emerge from the "statistical" stage. An experimental plant is now in operation at Battersea, and two British railways and one French railway company are stated to have decided to test the system on a practical scale.

JEWISH UNIVERSITY FOR OLD JERUSALEM

Berlin, Dec. 30.—Considerable progress was made with the scheme for the establishment of a Jewish university in Jerusalem at a meeting of the organizing committee of the Zionist organization recently held here. The meeting was attended by thirty-one members of this body and by the directors of the Jewish Colonial trust, who live in Berlin, Cologne, Wiesbaden, Mannheim, Altona, Vienna, Lemberg, Galatz, Warsaw, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Libau, London, Manchester, The Hague, Antwerp, and Jaffa (Palestine).

Dr. Tschlenow, representative of the inner actions committee, reported on several political matters and certain branches of Zionist activity in Palestine. His report was followed by an animated discussion, chiefly regarding the resolution adopted at the eleventh Zionist congress at Vienna, by which the actions committee was authorized to take the necessary preliminary steps for the establishment of a Jewish university at Jerusalem.

The sum of 40,000 pounds was allocated for the university fund, and the actions committee has now resolved to entrust the preliminary measures for the establishment of this university to a committee, which is to consist of four different sections. Professor Dr. Weizmann, of Manchester, has been placed at the head of the scientific section, and Professor Otto Warburg, of Berlin, will take charge of the organizing section.

WATER FED THE FLAMES.

Hopeless Fight Against a Peculiar Conflagration at Sea.

When the freighter Hardy steamed out of Le Treport, France, she carried besides the mineral water in her hold a number of small wooden cases marked "metallic sodium."

The channel was rough. The vessel rolled and pitched violently. The captain saw that the ship was listing to port and, suspecting that the cargo was shifting, sent a boatswain below to investigate. As the boatswain entered the hold he saw that several cases of mineral water had broken and that the water was swishing about in the hold. Then suddenly he saw one of the wooden cases marked "sodium" burst into flame.

Immediately he gave the alarm, and the crew rushed to their fire stations. The captain directed the men to play the hose into the hold. As the first stream of water struck the burning case there were several explosions as package after package within the case caught fire. By this time two other cases of sodium had broken open, and their contents as they came in contact with the water from the hose burst into flames.

The crew could not believe their eyes. The more water they poured on the fire the more intense grew the conflagration. Then suddenly two cases flew into the air, crashed against the overhead beams and spread out in sheets of fire, the smaller pieces dropping back only to bounce and dance about, hot balls of flame, in the half swamped hold.

Panic stricken, the crew dropped the hose lines and fled above decks. But the captain ordered the cargo flung into the sea and led his men back into the hold. They succeeded in throwing several of the cases overboard. But as each case hit the waves it rebounded into the air, a flaming ball.

The superstitious crew was fast becoming unmanageable, and the captain saw that in any case he must abandon the ship. He ordered the crew to the boats not one moment too soon, for as the boats rowed away from the blazing hulk several loud explosions came from the hold. Then there was one mighty detonation. The freighter broke in two and plunged out of sight.

The origin of the fire was, of course, in the sodium. Sodium is a peculiar metal, which oxydizes rapidly when water touches it and flames as soon as the water becomes warm. According to the chemist's classification, it is the second member of the alkali group that includes lithium, potassium, rubidium and caesium. All of these elements have the same characteristics as sodium in greater or less degree. The sodium should have been shipped in hermetically sealed tin cans inclosed in wooden cases. But the rolling of the ship and the careless stowing of the cargo broke open some of these cases, and the sodium, which was not properly packed, was liberated.—Boston Herald.

Origin of a Famous Hymn.

It seems to be a very solid fact that the poet Cowper, author of the hymn "God Moves In a Mysterious Way," attempted suicide—not only once, but several times. In fact, the popular hymn referred to was written right after one of such attempts. The driver whom he had engaged to take him to the river in which he had purposed drowning himself, being suspicious of his customer's intention, drove him around in the closed carriage and finally set him down at his own door. Stepping out, and finding the old familiar scenes, the poet, now repentant, rushed into the house and instantly composed the immortal hymn—"God Moves In a Mysterious Way His Wonders to Perform."—New York American.

A Common Center.

"It makes no difference how irregularly objects are arranged, their combined influence at their force center is spherical."

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She Knew All Right.

"Madam," half a dozen men hastened to assure her, "this is the smoking car."

"I know it," she said, calmly seating herself, "but I am sure the men in here are more polite than they are in the car ahead. I couldn't get a seat at all in there. I don't mind the cigars either. They're better than my husband smokes."

No further objection was offered, and she kept her seat.—Chicago Tribune.

No Chance For Leopard.

Willie—Mother, the Sunday school teacher says we should all of us try to be as spotless as we can. Mother—Certainly, Willie; that's right. Willie, after a pause, and thoughtfully—Then I'm glad I'm not a leopard.—Chicago Record-Herald.

She Hit It.

Mr. Gnaggs—Madam, you will have to economize. You are very extravagant. Mrs. Gnaggs—Dear me! Mr. Gnaggs—I quite agree with you.—Philadelphia Record.

A friend is one of life's best blessings. To be a friend is to be lifted a little way toward heaven each day.

May Extradite Him.

Regina, Dec. 30.—On a warrant charging embezzlement at Ft. Pierre, N.D., the mounted police are holding a man named Cruickshanks here. He will appear for extradition proceedings tomorrow.

VERNON MAN ON MEXICAN MIX

Resident of Interior City Returns from Trip South with New Impressions.

Vernon, B. C., Dec. 30.—James Stevens, who has just returned to Vernon from a business trip to Mexico, thus describes his trip and impressions:

He said he left Victoria on August 18, and went by sea to San Francisco, from which port he took another steamer to the port of Manzanillo, on the west coast of Mexico, which was held by federal troops. From there the train journey to Mexico City was uneventful, the country passed through all being in the hands of the federals.

Arrived at Mexico City, he said it was difficult to realize that a bloody revolution was raging in the country, everything was going on as usual, and the shops all doing a brisk trade. On Sundays, the bull ring was crowded with more than 20,000 people. The new torreador, Belmonte, lately arrived from Spain, was creating quite a sensation, killing his eight bulls during the afternoon.

The military bands were playing in the Alameda and the parks as usual, and the country club and its adjacent golf links were crowded as usual with the cosmopolitan throng that constitutes the foreign colonies.

Imported Goods Costly.

One of the few changes to be noticed was the increased cost of imported goods, owing to the heavy custom dues, imposed by President Huerta, in an effort to keep his rapidly diminishing treasury funds from disappearing altogether.

While in the city, Mr. Stevens attended a dinner given by the members of the British club, to General Huerta, which was extremely enthusiastic in character, and showed plainly that as far as the English colony was concerned, General Huerta held their sympathies.

Mr. Stevens describes Huerta as being, in appearance and manner, a typical soldier of the martinette type in fact very much the same as President Porforio Diaz was in his younger days, and with the same ideas and methods with regard to the ruling of the country.

The first trip Mr. Stevens took out of Mexico City was a visit to the Hacienda (estate) of Senor Landero, one of the largest and richest land owners in Mexico.

They arrived at the station of Tepenecasco about 9 o'clock in the evening, and were met by a coach and six, with outriders armed to the teeth, to take them the remaining 20 miles to the hacienda, as rebel bands were known to be in the neighborhood.

Arrived at the hacienda they found that nothing had been left to chance, there were armed guards stationed all round, while a searchlight was scouring the country in every direction from the roof of the building. During his visit of four days, however, nothing in the nature of an attack took place, and he returned safely to Mexico City.

While on the visit he questioned his host on his views, with regard to the different factions, and was told that he, in common with most of the other Mexicans of the upper class looked upon the whole thing, more or less, with indifference. He was all in favor of the Huerta regime, but should Carranza win for the time being, and the atmosphere get too hot for him, he would take a pleasure trip to Paris, the Eldorado of all Mexicans, and wait till the storm had blown over, and his own party was in power again, before returning. Needless to say, a large portion of his money and securities were safely stored away in European banks.

Mr. Stevens' next trip was to his own ranch, in the state of Puebla, about 100 miles distant from Mexico City, and a day's ride of Tuxpan, where the Eagle Oil company, an English compay, has many wells.

Rebels on All Sides.

Here he found that rebel bands, under the command of Cundido Aguilar, were infesting the country on all sides. On his arrival at the ranch, where he was expected, he was greeted with a fusilade of fireworks, in his honor, which was kept up for about half an hour, and later learned that the little town of Metlaltoyuca, about five miles distant, had been thrown into a panic on hearing the reports and was anxiously expecting an attack at any moment.

On the ranch, everything was in first class order, in fact, if anything better than when he left more than a year ago. The stock had increased considerably, and had been well looked after. He also found that the price of stock had gone up 50 per cent. during the last two years. Nearly all the other ranchers round, mostly Americans, were still on their places, and reported that they had had no interference from the federals or rebels, the only trouble being that just at present the rebels would not allow them to send their stock to Mexico City to be sold, as they were under the vain impression that they could starve it out.

Federals Took to the Woods.

During Mr. Stevens' stay on the ranch the neighboring town of Metlaltoyuca (known locally as the Mesa), was attacked by the rebels, or rather occupied, as the company of federal volunteers, who were supposed to defend it, immediately took to the bush as did most of the inhabitants. The commander of the volunteers, who injudiciously delayed his departure too long, paid the penalty of being hanged in the market square. An untoward incident occurred when the rebels had left the town, after looting everything in sight, when an old man the father of one of the women on Mr. Stevens' ranch, was shot by the volunteers, who accused him of having shown the rebels where they could obtain loot.

In consequence of this three days' "wake" was celebrated in honor of his memory on the ranch.

After a stay of six weeks, Mr Stevens again left the ranch in charge of Mexicans, and returned up country to Mexico City. He found the general opinion in the capital was that Huerta was on his "last legs," owing to financial embarrassments and the lack of funds with which to pay his troops. There were wild rumors in circulation every day, and everything seemed in a dangerously unsettled state.

Wanted to Land Marines.

It was said that the British admiral at Tuxpan, Sir Lewis Beaumont Craddock, had been snubbed by the American admiral, his superior in rank when he expressed a wish to land marines for guarding the oil wells.

After a short stay Mr. Stevens returned by way of Vera Cruz to and New York. At Vera Cruz he had an opportunity of seeing the war ships of the European powers in the harbor.

Some excitement was caused owing to the rumor that one of the United States battleships was going to transfer at sea some members of the late President Madero's family to the Ward liner Mr. Stevens was on. This turned out not to be the case, as Huerta had prevented them from reaching the American battleship, and they had had to take refuge at the American consulate.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

THE fellow who spends most of his time in dreamland is generally in bad with the tax collector.

Perhaps it would be an improvement upon a self made man if he had had a little advice when he was selecting his model.

The person who always knows enough to keep still ought to draw a salary for it—and he often does.

It makes a lot of us mad when the reflection is forced upon us that we deserve what we get.

The person who considers his desire sufficient reason for doing a thing generally gets to a point where his desire is entirely impotent.

Ambition is a deadly antidote for love.

Work is a good thing, but at that what's the use of saying anything about it? There's so much of it in the world that it can be depended upon to take care of itself.

Of course it was the other boy that led little Johnnie into temptation, but what mother can't explain is how he got halfbroke.

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THREE DREDGES ARE BUSY AT SANDHEADS

Dipper Dredge Assisting King Edward and Fruhling at New North Channel.

The Vancouver Navigation and Dredging company which holds the contract for the removal of 300,000 cubic yards of material from the new north channel across the sandheads has placed a dipper dredge in operation on the work. This acquisition to the dredging will, it is believed, greatly facilitate the opening of the new channel to the required depth.

The Fruhling and King Edward are also engaged on the channel and with the three dredges operating rapid progress should be made. Work, it is expected, will be resumed shortly on the north jetty. Broley and Martin are the contractors for this work.

Resident Engineer Worsfold visited the scene of operations at the sandheads on Monday. Yesterday he inspected the dredging work being conducted at False creek, Vancouver.

HARPAGUS CLEARS EARLY TOMORROW

Will Go Down Stream Drawing 22 Feet—Lies to at the Cottonwoods Until Friday Morning.

The steamer Harpagus, Captain H. Farquharson, will clear from Fraser Mills tomorrow morning about 11 o'clock with her consignment of lumber for South Africa and will go down stream to the Cottonwoods where she will lie to until Friday morning when Captain Ferd, pilot, intends to clear the river mouth. The Harpagus will draw 22 feet. After loading at Chemainus she will sail for South Africa. Her full cargo will run over 4,000,000 feet.

It is two and a half years now since the crew of the big tramp steamer has been at the home port in England and all are very anxious to return there. She has been running from one port to another for all that time and her officers cannot get orders to sail for home any too soon to suit them.

STEAMER NORTHLAND BADLY DAMAGED

Run Foul of Belgian Ship Kassai in Fog at Portland—Mast Broken Off—Repairs Made.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 30.—Her foremast broken off ten feet above the deck and her bow stove in and badly splintered, mark the principal damage the steamer Northland sustained here when she collided head-on with the Belgian ship Kassai, which was anchored in the stream just below the mouth of the Willamette river. Some of the rigging of the Kassai was carried away and it is believed that a plate on her bow is broken.

A thick fog was hanging over the river and the Belgian had dropped anchor to wait for the weather to clear. With a part cargo the steamer Northland, Captain Bodge, was en route down to Rainier to finish loading for San Francisco. She was nearly on the ship before discerning her outlines.

It is estimated that the Northland will have to remain in port about ten days undergoing repairs. Until the survey has been completed it will not be known how long the Belgian will be delayed.

TIDE TABLE—FRASER RIVER.

For the Week Ending Sunday, Jan. 4.

	Westminster. Time. High.	Low.	Sand Heads. High. Time. Ht.	Low. Time. Ht.
29	8:55	3:25	7:56 14.6	13:43 10.4
	18:00	14:45	17:01 11.2	
30	9:30	4:00	8:28 14.4	0:38 0.9
	19:00	15:45	17:59 10.6	14:36 9.7
31	9:55	4:35	8:57 14.2	1:17 1.9
	20:00	16:45	19:02 9.9	15:24 8.9
1	10:25	4:45	9:25 13.9	1:55 3.0
	21:10	17:30	20:11 9.4	16:09 8.0
2	10:50	5:00	9:52 13.6	2:32 4.2
	22:25	18:25	21:24 9.0	16:53 7.2
3	11:20	5:25	10:18 13.2	3:09 5.5
	24:00	19:20	23:00 8.8	17:37 6.3
4	11:45	5:35	10:44 12.9	3:47 6.9
		20:35		18:22 5.5

TRADING LIGHT AT HOLIDAY MARKET

Lack of Buyers and Sellers Results in Early Closing—Few Changes in Prices.

Trading was rather draggy and light on the holiday city market yesterday morning and because of the lack of both buyers and sellers the closing was early.

There was little or no change in poultry prices. Prices were:

Turkeys, per lb., dressed ..35c to 40c
Chickens, per lb. ..... 20 to 25c
Ducks, per lb. .....17c. to 21c.
Butter, per lb. 40c
Eggs, per dozen .....50c. to 55c
Cabbage, per lb ..... 1½c. to 2c.
Turnips, per sack .....60c. to 75c.
Carrots, per sack .....60c. to 75c.
Potatoes, per sack $1.10
Onions, per sack $1.25
Crab apples, per lb. .....2c. to 3c.
Apples, per box .....$1.25 to $1.50
Pears, per box .....$1.00 to $1.30

Fish, Retail.

Flounders, per lb. 10c
Sturgeon, per lb. 15c
Halibut, per lb. 10c
Smelts, per lb. 10c
Herring ..... 3 lbs. 25c

Retail Meats.

Beef, best rib roasts, per lb. 20c to 22c
Beef, loin, per lb. .....26c to 27c
Beef, round steaks, per lb...20c to 25c
Boiling beef, per lb. 14c
Veal, per lb. .....16½c to 17c
Pork, per lb. .....12½c to 13c
Mutton, per lb. .....8c to 20c

Poultry, Wholesale.

Hens, small, per doz. .....$5.50 to $7
Hens, large, per doz .....$8 to $10
Chickens, per doz. .....$5 to $7
Broilers, per dozen .....$4.00 to $5.00
Hens, live, per lb. .....17c to 18c
Chickens, live, per lb. .....19c to 20c
Ducks, per dozen .....$8 to $10
Ducks, live, per lb. .....15c to 19c

FIREWORKS AND OTHER EXCITEMENT

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dealing with the same question.

Mr. Atkins was asked why, when he was elected to carry out the will of the people as a whole he only performed the will of a part of the people, and why he had turned down the petition presented to the council asking for a referendum on the question. To these he gave varied replies which, however, did not apparently make an impression on the meeting.

Councillor Atkins declared that his platform would be his record in the council in which he has served since 1911.

For Retrenchment.

In outlining his platform Mr. Marmont said he would advocate retrenchment during dull times; employment of resident labor when possible; an equal chance to all ratepayers in the matter of appointments to public offices under the control of the council; and the collection of that $10,000 debt from Port Coquitlam. Mr Marmont charged that the present council had fallen short of its opportunities even considering the financial stringency and other difficulties it had to face.

Councillor Atkins had said that he was standing on his record. "Where is his record?" asked the speaker. "I didn't know he had any."

During his criticism of the present council Mr. Marmont remarked on the appointment of the solicitor, municipal clerk and engineer at the time when the municipality and Port Coquitlam were separated. These appointments had been made without any applications being duly called for and practically at the dictation of Port Coquitlam, he charged.

That $10,000 Debt.

Councillor Foster promised that if returned he would advocate the employment of resident labor. He also gave a brief outline of the financial position of the municipality. He said that as soon as the $10,000 came along from Port Coquitlam, and he believed a satisfactory arrangement for early payment had been made, the municipality would be practically free from debt.

J. D. Robertson, candidate for councillor, also advocated the employment of local labor. He was not a member of any party or clique and his services to the municipality would be in the interests of the ratepayers as a whole. He declared himself to be a strong temperance advocate.

Wallace Whiting, if elected to the council, would advocate a square deal all round with no sectionalism. He would make no pre-election promises.

H. B. Baker severely criticized the present council on the hall deal, and the $10,000 debt of Port Coquitlam's. As to the latter he said that it was not a question of Port Coquitlam not having the money. They were handling it and therefore he concluded they had it.

FIGHT FOR LIFE OF MURDERER

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tence. He said an error had been made as the court failed to determine the degree of murder and declared that the decree could only be fixed by taking testimony, a procedure which had been omitted when sentence was imposed.

John D. Fredericks, district attorney, agreed with the defence and Judge Craig formally set aside the sentence he had passed upon the bandit.

"I shall now proceed to re-sentence the defendant," announced the judge.

Alleged Insane.

At that point the attorney for the defence stopped proceedings for the second time by filing four affidavits alleging that Fariss was insane. The affidavits were those of his father, James A. Fariss, Percy Fariss, his brother, Mrs. Dorothy Cartier, who attended school with him at Tulare, Cal, and Mrs. J. I. Boyer, Mrs. Cartier's mother.

The elder Fariss swore that his son was unsound mentally because of a nervous malady suffered by his mother just previous to his birth. The defendant's brother declared the bandit had fits of sullenness to the degree of insanity and similar assertions were made in the affidavits to which Mrs. Cartier and Mrs. Boyer swore.

After these documents had been signed District Attorney Fredericks called several witnesses to the stand.

INVITE TENDERS FOR NEW BRIDGE

Call for Bids on Construction of Proposed Bridge Over Second Narrows.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Adopting the policy outlined at a meeting of the board last week, the directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge company have decided to invite tenders for the construction of the proposed bridge across the second narrows according to the plans prepared by Sir John Wolfe Barry, the eminent British engineer.

Cables were despatched immediately after yesterday's session—from which the press was excluded—notifying the English engineer and his associates of the decision of the board and asking that tenders be advertised in London.

Bids on the work will be received up to April 1 next. Advertisements will also be inserted in local and Ottawa newspapers inviting tenders on the construction.

According to a statement given out after the secret session by F. Carter-Cotton, president of the company, certain modifications in the negotiations between the board and the provincial government were suggested in a telegram from the authorities at Victoria. He declined to discuss the nature of the suggested changes, but intimated that the directors' reply outlined the reasons why the representatives of the company could not alter their plans at the present stage.

The telegram was from Sir Richard McBride. The premier asked the directors if they would be prepared, in accordance with their previous proposal that the province assume control of the project, to sign over the subsidy of $250,000 towards the scheme granted by the Dominion government, together with the funds subscribed by the municipalities interested, in the event of the provincial government undertaking to build the proposed bridge. The right to settle the cost of the structure would be reserved by the government, it was stipulated.

PRESIDENT'S HEALTH IS GREATLY IMPROVED.

Pass Christian, Miss., Dec. 30.—President Wilson's vacation is greatly improving his health. As he climbed over the bunkers at the golf links today there was a vigor in his walk that revealed to those who have been constantly observing him, how much he has benefitted by a week of rest and recreation in the mild gulf climate.

The president played 18 holes of golf again today. He is growing accustomed to the stubby grass on the links with its retarding effect on the roll of drives and made a better score than usual.

Many letters and telegrams of felicitation on the New Year arrived tonight.

ASSIGN BUT ARE NOT INSOLVENT

Huge Concern Placed in Hands of Receivers for Purpose of Reorganizing.

New York, Dec. 30.—Two great department stores in New York and one in Boston, an express company, a wholesale house and a private banking house run in connection with the department stores, all allied with and controlled by the Siegel Stores Corporation, of which Henry Siegel of this city is directing head and president, were placed in the hands of receivers today through a suit instituted by the holding company in the federal courts.

None of the concerns, according to statements of counsel, is insolvent, and the action was taken to serve their good will, to rehabilitate and reorganize them. The assets and liabilities were not stated. Curtailment of bank credit made receivership imperative, it was said.

Their gross earnings heretofore have been estimated at $40,000,000 annually. The Greenhut Siegel-Cooper company of this city, has no connection, direct or otherwise with the firms controlled by the Siegel Stores Corporation and in Chicago, the store of Siegel, Cooper & Co., although its stock is owned by the Siegel Stores Corporation, is prospering. Counsel here issued a statement to this effect which was confirmed by Max Pam, general counsel for the Chicago store. The business there, he said, would be continued without interruption. The store, he added, was in no sense a party to the suit.

OPEN UTAH-APEX MINE ON FRIDAY

Further Search for Ralph Lopez, the Slayer of Six Men—Many Think He Escaped.

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 30.—To open the Utah-Apex mine next Friday and search for Ralph Lopez, slayer of six men, was the tentative decision reached today by Sheriff Smith. Although it is generally believed Lopez has escaped, the sheriff and his deputies are confident he succumbed either to hunger or to the gases generated in the tunnels to asphyxiate him.

Not since December 1, when the portals were sealed up and the working filled with poisonous fumes, has any member of the posse seen or heard the desperado. After the mine had been opened and partly searched it was sealed again on December 14 to make sure that he was not alive to fight another underground battle such as occurred on November 29, when he killed two deputies.

Seven sheriffs and nearly 300 deputies pursued Lopez for a week through several counties before he back-tracked to Bingham on November 27 and made the mine his stronghold. At the beginning of the chase he killed three peace officers who tried to arrest him for shooting a Mexican in a quarrel concerning a woman.

BUILDING STAGE ON WHICH TO ARRANGE ACCUSED.

Work was started yesterday on the erection of the stage on which the accused in some of the Vancouver island strike trouble trials will be arranged at the re-opening of the special assizes on Monday, Jan. 5. The stage will take up all that space on the eastern side of the courtroom between the door giving entrance into the public portion and the entrance for counsel. It will be built in three heights, so many men being arranged on each tier.

The staging is being especially built for the accommodation of the accused in the Anderson et al trial, in which there are 37 defendants. There are other cases in which the defendants run on the average of about 20 when the stage will also be used.

City Pays Exhibition Bills.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—After some opposition the city council last night adopted the recommendation of the finance committee to pay off the overdraft of $7595 of the Vancouver Exhibition association, but decided to notify the association's bank that no further guarantees would be given by the city for accounts.

Pure Inventions.

London, Dec. 30.—Stories printed in the United States to the effect that Great Britain and Germany had concluded an understanding aimed to curb the financial and commercial activities of the United States in South America were characterized yesterday by the British foreign office as pure inventions.

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Wednesday Store News at McAllisters

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Best quality "Penangle" Wool Fleeced Underwear. A splendid garment for men who can not wear wool; all sizes from 34 to 44. Price, per garment 50c

"Penman's" Pure Wool Heavy Ribbed Underwear; double breasted. An excellent garment for hard winter wear. This is our regular $1.25 and $1.50 line. Special, per garment 95c

Heavy Pure Wool Ribbed Underwear. A very soft and durable garment, in al lsizes from 34 to 46. Prices $1.50

"Imperial" fine Natural Wool Underwear, for men who want a medium weight garment. Price, per garment $1.25

"Dr. Shield's" Natural Cashmere Underwear in a medium weight, pure wool garment, very soft and warm. Just the underwear for particular men; all sizes from 34 to 46. Price per garment $2.50

We are putting on a special cut in "Wolsey" Underwear. Everyone knows that this underwear is the best that money can buy, so here is your chance to get the best at a low price. We are selling our regular $4.00 line for per garment $2.75

Curtain Nets, Scrims and Muslins

When particular and discerning women drape their windows they consider the effect from the outside as well as the interior.

Nothing is better adapted to fill the need ofthe dark and dull winter days than fine scrims, voiles or marquisettes.

From our splendid assortment of patterns and colors you can choose what will harmonize with your rugs, furniture or walls, as wel las having a most pleasing effect from the outside. For inexpensive hangings we suggest the following:

Madras Muslins, in cream or ecru, at, per yard 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c

White Dotted or Figured Muslins, at ..... 20c to 40c

Nets, in white, cream, ivory, ecru or Arab, in a variety of patterns at, per yard 20c, 25c, 35c and 45c

Scrims, plain or bordered at per yard ..... 25c and 75c

Pandora Voiles, with both hemstitched and colored borders at, per yard ..... 45c and 50c

Marquisettes and Back Scrims, in a variety of dainty patterns in white, cream or ecru ground at, per yard 60c

Always a Complete Stock of Brass Rods and Fittings.

Extension Rods, complete with brackets, each ..5c to 35c

Brass Tubings; size ⅜ inches, at per foot ..... 10c and 50c

The McAllister Prices on Stoves

Dandy Cast Cook Stove; wood only. Reg. $19 for $13.50

Hummer Cast Cook Stove; coal or wood. Regular $20.00 for $15.00

St. Clair Malleable Steel Range with full nickel trimmings, high oven, Duplex grate, fitted with thermometer and warm closet below oven. One of the most economical fuel burners on the market and a perfect baker. Sold with a guarantee and connected for $65.00

Blankets

We can fill most any order for Blankets, from the dark gray Union Blankets, at $3.00 per pair, to the pure, soft, clean, wool of the famous Skeldon Blanket at, per pair..$10.00

Before you buy blankets you owe it to yourself to let us show you our stock, which was never more complete than it is right now.

Gray Blankets at $3.00, $3.50, $4.50, $5.00, $6.00 and $6.50

White Blankets at, per pair $3.75, $4.25, $4.95, $5.50, $6.95, $8.00, $9.00 and $10.00

Point Blankets, in green, brown or red at, per pound..$1.00

Great Values in Men's Sweater Coats

SWEATER COATS AT $1.95. Mens' Wool Sweater Coats; reg. $2.50 and $3.00 values in gray, navy, tan, brown, khaki and red, trimmed with contrasting colors. Special at $1.95

SWEATER COATS AT $2.95. All Wool Sweater Coats, in gray, red, navy, fawn and slate, and combinations of colors; regular values to $3.75. Special $2.95

SWEATER COATS AT $3.95. These are our regular $5.00 values in all wool, fine knit, medium weight coats; in good plain colors, or contrasting shades; all sizes from 36 to 42. Special $3.95

SWEATER COATS AT $5.95 Shaker Knit Sweater Coats, with roll collars, in colors of navy, brown, Havana, smoke and gray; regular $6.75 and $7.50 values for..... $5.95

Buy Blankets at McAllisters

It costs less to buy Blankets and Quilts than it does to pay doctor's fees and druggists' bills, besides, it is much more satisfactory. Don't let the children take cold at night through having insufficient bed clothes, when you can buy good, warm, cosy blankets or quilts at prices like these:

Quilts; size 66x72; good heavy cotton filling, covered in green, red, brown or blue at, each... $1.50 and $1.75

Turkey Red Chintz Quilt, Paisley patterns, strong heavy covers, and well filled with cotton. A good quilt for every day use at $1.50 and $2.25

Silkoline Covered Quilts, in light or dark colors, filled with fluffy cotton; almost as light as down, at, each ..... $2.95 and $3.50

Sateen Covered Quilts. One of the finest lines we have; in fancy designs, well quilted and filled with pure white cotton; size 66x72; at, each. $3.75

Down Comforters, in all sizes and colors. Nothing is so light and still so warm as a real down comforters. We have them in prices from $5.50, $5.95, $7.00, $10.00, $12.20 to $25.00

Great Corset Values at McAllisters

We are now carrying a full line of the famous "E. T." Corsets and also the American Lady Corset in this store. Special price bargains are offered to fill your corset wants.

REG. $1.00 CORSETS FOR 75c. These are made of good quality white coutille, with medium bust and long hip. A perfect-fitting model made and shaped exactly as the better corsets, and finished with four hose supporters. These corsets are splendid value at $1.00 each. Corset Prices 75c

$1.50 CORSETS FOR $1.00. Heavy White Coutille Corsets, made with high bust and draw string, long hip and extra smart shape, adapted for all figures and finished with four hose supporters; regular $1.50. Sale price $1.00

$1.75 CORSETS FOR $1.25. "E. T." Corsets, made of good quality coutille with medium low bust, long hip, built on extremely graceful lines and finished with six hose supporters; our regular $1.75 corset. Corset sale price ... $1.25

Ladies' Satin Underskirts, in cerise, burnt orange, royal purple, blue and black, finished with deep accordion pleated flounce. Special $2.50

Satin Underskirts finished with narorw ruching on foot, in colors or green, brown, navy, Copenhagen, tan, Nell rose and blacks. Special at $1.95

Taffeta and Messaline Underskirts in newest shades, with deep accordion plaiting. Prices..$3.95 and $5.50

Snaps in Waists

Fancy Net Waists, in a good assortment of styles, lined with silk; values to $5.00. Special $2.95

Colored Wool Waists in tailored style; values to $2.50. Special $1.95

The balance of our Tea Aprons are Reduced.

Reg. 30c values for 20c
Reg. 50c values for 35c
Reg. $1.0 0values for..... 65c

Snap Prices in Furs

All our stock of Furs is reduced to the lowest possible prices.

Natural Mink Set; regular $325. Special $239.00
Mink Marmot Stoles; reg. $20. Special $13.75
French Coney Sets; reg. $25. Special $17.50
Gray Squirrel Sets; reg. $35. Special $25.00
Gray Squirrel Muff; reg. $13. Special $9.50
Gray Squirrel Scarf; reg. $10. Special $7.50

We have a few nice sets of Children's Furs left, which are greatly reduced.

Hardware Values in the Basement

Galvanized Iron Pails; regular 35c; each 25c
Galvanized Tubs; each ..... 65c, 90c, $1.00 and $1.25
Hardwood Towel Rollers; regular 25c; each 15c
10-quart Re-tinned Dish Pans; regular 40c; each 25c
Handled Shoes Brushes; regular 35c; each 25c
9-inch Tin Pie Plates; regular 10c; each 5c
Pointing Trowels; regular 25c; each 15c
Coppered Coat Hooks; regluar 15c; per dozen 10c
Wire Egg Whisks; regular 35c; each 25c
Japanned Coal Hods; regular 60c; each 45c
Globe Wash Boards; regular 35c; each 25c
Bannister Brushes; regular 35c; each 25c
Corn Brcom; regular 45c; each 35c
The Wizard Oil Mop, with large can of oil $2.00

Crockery Values in the Basement

Egg Shell China Cups and Saucers; gilt and raised decoration. Values to 50c, for 25c
Irridescent Glass Flower Vases, Fruit Dishes, Footed Nut Bowls, Cake Plates etc. Special each 25c
Majolica Milk Jugs; regular 35c; each 25c
Children's decorated mugs and cups and saucers; each 10c and 15c
Decorated China Cream Jugs; 1-pint size; each 25c
97-piece Dinner Set; real Indian Tree decoration; per set $45.00
97-piece Semi-Porcelain Dinner Set with neat pink rosebud band decoration in Dresden effect. Special $18.00
Thin Glass Straight Tumblers etched design; 3 for 25c
Fotted Wine Glasses, port or sherry; per dozen $1.50
Near Cut Glass 8-inch Fruit Dish and 6 Nappies; per set ..... $1.00 and $1.50

Four Special Bargains in Furniture

Fumed Oak Buffet, with bevelled mirror, silver drawer, large china partments and linen drawer; regular $47.50. Special.... $39.75
Square design in a Fumed Oak China Cabinet with mirrors in back. This is a beautiful piece; regular $38.50. Special..... $31.75
6-foot Extension Table in Fumed Oak with square pedestal base; regular $29.50, for $25.75
Set of Fumed Oak Leather Seat Dining Chairs; regular $21.75. Special $18.50
Set complete; regular $137.25. Special $115.75

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