

# LADYSMITH DAILY LEDGER

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## CAPTURES BY BRIGANDS IN TANGIER

### Raisuli the Notorious Walks in to Town and Picks up a Few Prisoners

### Finds the Birds Not Worth Picking and Turns Them Loose

Tangier, Dec. 16.—Raisuli, the notorious brigand chief who captured Ion Perdicaris, a United States citizen and his stepson, Ormowell Varley, a British subject, in May last, boldly raided a caravan within the town of Tangier today. The chief had previously attacked another caravan five miles outside of Tangier and took eleven prisoners and a number of mules. He then came into Tangier and repeated his exploit. In the latter case he released his prisoners as the man he was seeking was not among them.

## MRS. CHADWICKS ADVENTURES

Interesting sidelights on the earlier part of the career of Mrs. Chadwick, the alleged confidence queen, are furnished by some professional reminiscences of Mr. Howard J. Duncan, a well known Vancouver barrister.

"When I was a student-at-law in the autumn of 1879-80, or thereabout," said Mr. Duncan, "I was associated with the famous lawyer, Mr. Ashton Fletcher, K.C., in defense of a young woman named Elizabeth Bigley, who was being tried on the charge of forgery at the Woodstock Assize Court. The defense set up was that the woman was insane. Evidence was produced to show that the conduct of the defendant was so extraordinary that no sane person would have acted in the same manner.

"It was shown in evidence that she went to a barber shop in Brantford and had a fine head of hair cropped short, after which she insisted upon the barber making her a moustache. Her conduct aroused the barber's suspicion as to her sanity, and he placed her in charge of an officer. In looking over her effects it was discovered that she came from Eastwood, a spot made memorable later by the murder of Benwell by Birchall.

"The police made inquiries for her parents, who were notified to come and take her home from Brantford.

"It was after this incident in the Telephone City that she was arrested on a charge of forgery; but so well did she play her part, that even Crown witnesses in giving testimony could not affirm her sanity. She played her part during the whole trial with wonderful ability, behaving, apparently, in the most insane manner.

Her father, who was a section hand on the Great Western railway, appeared to be greatly distressed over the situation, and promised to look after his daughter should she be released and given over to his charge. On this promise she was released.

In the course of a couple of years the countryside was startled by a report that she had gone to Toledo shortly after being acquitted, and had set up in business as Madame De Vere, a French clairvoyant. Under her alias she had been arrested on a charge of forgery, through which she had swindled a bank president out of a large sum of money. For this offense she was convicted and sentenced to ten years.

"After serving three or four years of the sentence, however, she was liberated and then removed to Cleveland, posing as a recent widow, and using the name of Mrs. Hoover.

"Subsequently in the same city, she was reputed to have married a doctor named Chadwick.

Mrs. Chadwick was of lowly origin, illiterate, and yet was fascinatingly handsome. Her eyes and hair were of a pleasing brown, and her features regular. She is a consummate actress, and she has used her talent successfully in most difficult cases."

## LAY OF THE HOLIDAY

Mary had no little lamb, nor did the brave boy stand on the burnin' deck today declaiming to the land that he would never, never leave; because in fact he did. He gladly skipped from school today like any other kid. The holidays have come at last, but gone are ancient ways; of celebrating the event as in good old days. No longer elocutionary stunts are done in public view of parents proud and school trustees and weary teacher, too. No Johnny Jones with stammering tongue, cries out, "Arm, arm ye brave," nor little May Smith's attempt to mak' mad Hamlet rave. But even if they do not keep the customs known of yore, the small boys take their holidays as gladly as before.

### INTERATIONAL HOCKEY.

New York, Dec. 16.—A game between the Quebec hockey club and the Wanderers hockey club, champions of the United States, will be played at the St. Nicholas rink here on Dec. 23rd. This will be the first appearance of the Quebec men in the United States.

The committee appointed at the public meeting last Sunday to prepare suggestions as to the best method of securing the construction of an athletic club house in Ladysmith meets this evening at half-past seven at Mr. Morrison's.

D. D. Muir was an arrival by the train from Victoria today.

Mrs. Tregonning, a former resident of Departure Bay, but now of Vancouver, left today for her home in the Terminal City after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Manuel.

A. G. King went down to Victoria on this morning's train.

### AT THE ABBOTSFORD.

D. W. Mangway, Chemainus.  
W. S. Rusk, Kasaan, Alaska.  
Geo. Campbell, Victoria.  
Geo. Burtholme, Nanaimo.

## MARINE

The Amur, just down from her northern trip by way of Vancouver, was in port this morning discharging 180 tons of ore from White Horse for the Tyee smelter. The trip for this time of the year in northern waters was exceptionally mild and free from rough weather.

The hulk Richard III, which for some weeks past has been laid up in the harbor, is now being made ready and loaded for another trip to the Treadwell mines with coal, and leaves tomorrow with 1,700 tons on board. The tug Pilot is coming for her.

Another collier is expected on Sunday, the Titania, which takes a large part of her cargo aboard here and then proceeds to Nanaimo to complete.

## TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Tomorrow, Saturday, the 17th, route boys will be out collecting from their customers for the past month. Some subscribers who began about the 1st of October are a month and a half in arrears. Such subscribers can pay either for the one month or for the month and a half in order to bring their future payments upon the 15th, suiting their own convenience. The publishers of The Ledger will be greatly obliged if all parties will have their cards where convenient, so that the boy may punch them up to the date to which the subscription is paid. Kindly remember that each boy has more than one hundred different people to collect from and has to hustle around to deliver his route in the evening.

Exquisite Cut Glass cheap. Call at the Drug Store and get prices.

Bibles, Church of England and Roman Catholic Prayer Books at the Ladysmith Pharmacy.

Ask for it once and you will afterwards smoke the Empire.

## THE BANK OF COMMERCE

### Annual Statement Indicates Healthy Expansion of Business in Canada

The annual statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, published in another column, is a satisfactory index of the prosperity of the country, for with its extensive system of branches in every portion of the Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific and north to the Yukon, its progress mirrors to a large degree, the financial conditions of business throughout the country. The shareholders, at a special meeting in April, decided to increase the capital of the bank by the sum of two million dollars, bringing the capital stock up to the large sum of ten million dollars, of which seven hundred thousand dollars was for the purpose of purchasing the assets of the Halifax Banking Company, and absorbing it into the business. As will be seen by reference to the statement, the net profit for the year was \$1,121,978.66. There has been added to the rest \$500,000, and there has been written off bank premises \$127,806.41. This means that provision for bank premises during this year under review and in future will be made out of the current asset account, where bank premises will be left at \$1,000,000. The bank has recognized the efficient services of its large staff by a payment to them of a bonus graduated from 7 1/2 per cent. of the higher salaries for the year to 12 1/2 per cent. on the lower ones. The profits have risen during the year \$8,000,000 and the cash and other reserves to a similar amount. On the whole, the statement is most gratifying, showing healthy growth, an expanding business and prudent management. The annual meeting of the shareholders will be held at Toronto on January 10.

## ENDS IN GRAVE.

New York, Dec. 15.—According to the Herald, two months after the marriage of Marie Drolet and Louis Bustanoby, an which he had been present, the Rev. John C. Yorke, was again asked to read the prayer, not of rejoicing, but of mourning. After their marriage the young couple spent six weeks in travelling over Europe, at the end of which time Mr. Bustanoby was suddenly recalled to New York on important business. His bride, in company with a sister, remained at Ginnekin, North Brabant, in the Netherlands. Hardly had he left his wife when the husband received news of her sudden death from pneumonia, after an illness of two days. The body of the young bride was brought to New York and the funeral just eight weeks after the wedding will take place today at Huntington Lea, in the Roman Catholic Church.

## STILL OUTBREAKING.

New York, Dec. 15.—A Berlin despatch to the Times says: Telegrams received here to the effect that the agitation in Warsaw continues and that anti-government street demonstrations occur daily. The movement extends to the highest military circles, and many officers, participants in the revolutionary propaganda, were recently arrested and imprisoned in a fortress. The troops generally are disaffected because many of them whose term of service is at an end, will be compelled to serve until next Easter or later owing to the mobilization. The Socialists are taking full advantage of the situation to push their campaign.

Tomorrow evening a detachment of fourteen from the Ladysmith checker club will entrain under the command of adjutant John Stewart, and proceed to Nanaimo, there to attempt the defeat of the defenders of the checker headquarters. Among the forlorn hope are John McMurtree, J. Docherty, T. Gemmell, Angus McKinnon, D. S. McRae, E. Mulholland, John Ryan, Wm. Bailey, Moses Woodburn, John Stewart, W. G. Simpson and three other experts. They are anxious to wipe out the disaster suffered by them when their rivals came to Ladysmith a few weeks ago.

## WHERE CHRISTMAS TRADE IS DONE

### Ladysmith's Shop Windows and Stores Filled With Everthing That Is Required By Santa Claus or For the Family Festivities

### The Useful and Beautiful, Pleasing to the Eye or Palate—There is Plenty of Choice and Bewildering Array

"Christmas comes but once a year," and acting upon this old saying the storekeepers and business men generally of Ladysmith are in line with good goods and plenty of them for the annual holiday trade.

Steady advancement in the character of the stores and stock in trade has been made for the past year in the home town. In times past there has been to a certain extent an excuse for residents loyal to the best interests of this city in which they live and have their property interests doing a certain amount of trade in neighboring towns. A look around now among the business houses of every class shows conclusively that there are no excuses to be made for not buying goods at home, for certainly in no neighboring towns can better goods be found, or better terms obtained except in some exceptional cases, than in Ladysmith.

### DRYSDALE-STEVENSON.

A look at the windows of Drysdale-Stevenson's store on Gatacre street is instructive and entertaining. Handsome sables, seal, beaver and other kinds of fur collars, capes, boas and muffs, gloves, slippers and lace handkerchiefs, ribbons, and ladies' goods in general are shown in the windows of one side of the store. On the other, most attractive collars, ties and articles of wearing apparel for men.

Inside the store it is well fitted with useful and nice looking goods. Books and toys, games and pictures, give a good chance for the selection of gifts for Christmas for the little ones.

### S. LEISER.

At Simon Leiser & Company's store further down the street both the drygoods and grocery department show up well in solid and well selected stock. Almost anything asked for in any city can be furnished you at this store. In the drygoods and ladies' department the fine dress goods and all that goes to make up a woman's wardrobe are found in good grade and an excellent assortment. In the grocery and men's clothing and boot and shoe department there is a very large stock. It is added to weekly and is kept by salesmen in first class condition. Crystallized fruits and bonbons are imported direct, as is most of the drygoods stock.

Suitable Christmas gifts can be readily found at Leiser's.

### WEINROBE.

At Weinrobe's, on High Street, the windows show fancy stocks of ladies' goods; ribbons, laces, dress goods, slippers, handkerchiefs and fancy articles in numbers. A large stock of skirts of any size; shoes for men and boys, light and heavy, and general wearing apparel is sold at Weinrobe's and judging by the amount of business the firm seems to be doing their prices must be fair. It is Mr. Weinrobe's intention soon to enlarge his quarters as there is no longer room in his present place of business to properly display his large stock.

### ROLSTON'S.

At Rolston's store on High street Santa Claus' headquarters can be found. Anything in the toy line from a steam engine to a balloon, toy bank's, games, puzzles and charms. A large store and its counters on one side the windows, and are filled with toys. China ware and beautiful cut glass ware is found in this store also. Of course these are all side lines. Rolston's business is that of hardware, and they carry a most excellent stock of stoves and tinware. Plumbing and roof work is promptly done, and all orders promptly filled. Rolston's have a very large trade in

many kinds goes to help fill up the large show windows. Inside watches clocks and jewelry in general, handsome sets of silverware, any of which would make beautiful and appropriate Christmas presents, are shown. Mr. Forcimmer has recently added very largely to his stock.

### McEWAN.

The shoe store of McEwan & Co., show good samples in their windows, and a pair of shoes bought at this well known firm's place of business are certain to be represented for only practical men handle the goods.

### THE BANK OF COMMERCE.

The most satisfactory annual statement published on another page, proves conclusively that the great banking company of which the Ladysmith bank is a lately added but important branch is prosperous and is a thoroughly well proved financial institution. Its officials are always courteous and obliging and the Ladysmith Bank of Commerce has the good will of every inhabitant of the city. Here is where Santa Claus keeps his bank account.

### V. GENONI.

Genoni is showing a good line of watches. He is quoting prices and is in the field to make holiday sales. He states that he is selling off a surplus stock of watches of a high grade at exactly cost. His place of business is convenient and many customers call early and late to look look over his bargains.

### WM. FRASER.

Everybody knows Fraser, the merchant tailor. He is one of the old timers and that he still holds his trade among old friends from Extension and Wellington is proof sufficient that when you tell him what kind of a suit you want and you get it, and it fits.

### HOY'S BAKERY.

Cakes for Christmas; Bread for every-day use; Candies, nuts and toys for the Children and everything neat and tidy—this is Hoy's. Everybody visits Hoy's for Christmas goods. Orders taken for cakes or anything in the bakers' line.

### MATHERSON'S.

At Matheson's the workers are busy finishing Christmas suits, always busy but always ready to take an order. Matheson has many steady customers in his line, that they remain customers goes to prove that his work and goods are satisfactory.

### THE ESPLANADE BAKERY.

At this old and favorite stand Christmas goods are found in profusion. The firm enjoys a good patronage, bread and pastries of all kinds are sold and delivered, orders are taken and satisfaction is given to its patrons.

### YUAN'S.

Around the corner on Roberts street, above 1st Avenue, Yuan, the tailor, reports that his business is good and that new clothing can be turned out in good shape. Much of his work is renovating and repairing and such work is well done.

### KAY'S.

Harry Kay's store on First Avenue is not as large as a wholesale house, but business in the line of wall paper and house decorating is always good. The outlook, Mr. Kay thinks good for next and succeeding seasons in Ladysmith.

### ESPLANADE BARBER SHOP.

Christmas is always a busy time with barbers. Mr. Powers says he has a large number of Christmas shaves on tap and he does them well.

### WINSTON'S.

At Winston's, on High street,

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**CIVIC ELECTIONS.**

There seems to be uncommon apathy in Ladysmith in regard to the coming civic elections. Not only are very few men offering themselves for the positions on the Council board; but those who have already served the few months since the city has been incorporated are not many of them anxious to go before the people again for re-election; some indeed have declared that they do not care to run again, even if urged to do so by the ratepayers. This state of affairs is by no means for the good of the town. We all want to see Ladysmith progress, but how is this to be brought about unless there are men found willing to undertake the responsibilities of conducting the civic affairs. The property qualification limits the choice of those eligible for Mayor and aldermen; but there is plenty of good material for filling the seats at the aldermanic board provided men can be found willing to devote part of their time to the city's work. Perhaps it is not an enviable position—that of Mayor or Alderman; but somebody has got to act and it is in the interests of all and especially the business men that the affairs of the city should be in the hands of practical business men, who can be relied upon to carry out the duties devolved upon them in a common-sense way with enough broadness of view to prevent economy running into parsimony. Certain expenditures must be made to improve the city. The health conditions need particular attention and the streets and sewerage work will be among the great problems that will face the Council of 1905. The town is fast growing out of its youthful clothes and a new suit must be made bigger and broader for the husky youngster. What is required now that the street level have been obtained, is some definite plan of improvement that can be started and carried along with continuity, not a lot of patchwork that will continually need tearing apart and reviewing.

One thing is certain, the city cannot be run without money; taxes have to be secured for expending on necessary work of various kinds and for the civic machinery.

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Dated at Ladysmith, B. C., this 6th day of December, A. D. 1904.

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**Time Table No. 53.**

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Northbound Leave	Southbound Leave	Northbound Arrive	Sat, Sun & Wed Arrive
Victoria .. . . . . 9:00	12:00	Victoria .. . . . . 8:00	7:00
Shawigan Lake .. . . . . 10:00	10:40	Shawigan Lake .. . . . . 4:20	5:40
Duncan .. . . . . 11:00	10:00	Duncan .. . . . . 6:00	5:00
Ladysmith .. . . . . 11:07	9:10	Ladysmith .. . . . . 5:52	4:00
Nanaimo .. . . . . 12:40	8:20	Nanaimo .. . . . . 6:42	3:15
St. Wellington .. . . . . 12:50	Ar 8:00	Ar Wellington .. . . . . 6:55	de 3:00

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**RATHER TOO RISKY.**  
 At a prominent works at Birmingham during the dinner hour there was a somewhat heated argument going on when one man, who had hitherto kept silent, was appealed to.  
 "No, George," said one, "we know you loves an argment, an' can spout wi' the best on 'em. Now, what's your opinion on this tariff question?"  
 "I ain't goin' to discuss it," said George, promptly. "I've threshed the matter out afore."  
 "An' what decision did you arrive at?" asked one.  
 "Why," he replied in a cool manner, "me an' 't'other chap didn't agree nohow. We took different roads, so to speak. He arrived at the 'ospital, an' I arrived at the police station, an' I ain't goin' to thrash that matter out again."  
 Nor did they persuade him to do so.

**ACHIEVEMENT.**  
 "Him!" astonishedly, proudly and ungrammatically ejaculated the landlord of the tavern at South Dquantum, Conn. "Ye ain't heard of him? Why—suzz!—that's Austin Bradd, the most extravagant man in the hull state of Connecticut! Actually and truly, he lit a cigar with a bran' new dollar bill! They arrested him for it; thought he was crazy—but they found out after a spell that he was just doin' it for notoriety. He got it, too, for there ain't anything that will make a man famous here any quicker than bein' a spend-thrift."

**WHAT OF THE EARTH.**  
 Can you believe that there are millions of people who are persuaded that the world is not round? The cleverest men in Arabia are absolutely convinced that the earth is egg-shaped and floats half submerged in the sea; the Hindu Vedas that it is as flat as a plate, and supported on a number of high pillars. South American tribes believe that it is an island afloat in an interminable sea; and millions of people in India could not be persuaded that it is not the shape of an enormous inverted bowl or dish cover, supported by four elephants which have an insecure footing on the back of a brooding nagian tortoise.

**HE KNEW HIS MEN.**  
 During the training of militia in an Ayshire town a company were ordered off for ball-firing, and Jock Saumters, a man noted for his simplicity, was singled out as marker. Before the firing began the sergeant took up his glasses to see if all was ready, when, to his horror, he saw Jock coolly standing front of the target. Thinking the man mad, the sergeant rushed to him, calling him a fool, and demanding the meaning of such recklessness. "I'm no' sic a fule as you think," retorted Jock. "I ken the safest place weel enuch for I ance marked for your company before."

**THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE**  
 Statement of the Result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 30th November, 1904.

Balance of Profit and Loss Account brought over from last year .....	\$165,559.14
Net Profits for the year ending 30th of November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts .....	1,124,973.66
	<b>\$1,290,532.80</b>

Toronto, 9th December, 1904.

**GENERAL STATEMENT**

30th November, 1904.

**LIABILITIES**

Notes of the Bank in circulation .....	\$7,680,947.08
Deposits not bearing interest .....	\$18,003,420.09
Deposits not bearing interest, including interest accrued to date .....	52,455,931.37
	<b>70,450,351.46</b>
Balances due to other Banks in Canada .....	138,758.50
Balances due to other banks in foreign countries .....	242,631.86
Dividends unpaid .....	882.42
Dividend No. 75, payable 1st December .....	304,500.00
Capital paid up .....	\$8,700,000.00
Rest .....	3,500,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward .....	28,726.39
	<b>12,228,726.39</b>
	<b>\$91,055,798.31</b>

**ASSETS**

Coin and Bullion .....	\$2,800,326.19
Dominion Notes .....	5,301,692.00
	<b>\$8,102,018.19</b>
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of note circulation .....	400,000.00
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks .....	3,635,085.29
Balances due by other Banks in Canada .....	10,692.50
Balances due by Agents in Great Britain .....	5,894,865.42
Balances due by Agents of the Bank and other Banks in foreign countries .....	2,103,565.34
Government Bonds, Municipal and other Securities .....	7,313,648.34
Call and Short Loans .....	10,460,092.59
	<b>\$37,919,967.67</b>
Other Current Loans and Discounts .....	51,458,163.16
Overdue Debts (loss fully provided for) .....	305,293.38
Real Estate (other than Bank Premises) .....	63,237.15
Mortgages .....	220,626.86
Bank Premises .....	1,000,000.00
Other Assets .....	88,510.09
	<b>\$91,055,798.31</b>

**B. E. WALKER,**  
 General manager.

**PITHER & LEISER**

Importers and wholesale dealers in WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS, ETC. Large stock always—All the leading brands. We supply the principal hotels and Saloons in Ladysmith.

ORDERS SOLICITED.  
**PITHER & LEISER, VICTORIA, B. C.**

**Union Brewing Co.**

NANAIMO, B. C.

Manufacturers of the

**BEST BEER**

In British Columbia

Lager Beer [and] Porter Guaranteed Brewed from the Best Canadian Malt and Hops.

**TEN DOLLARS REWARD.**

The Union Brewing Company will pay a reward for information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons destroying Union Brewing Company's kegs or bottles, or failing to return the same.

**Miners' Drilling Machines,**

Made to order and Repaired at short notice. Drills sharpened & always give satisfaction. Picks handled and repaired.

Shipsmithing in all its Branches. Horseshoers and General Blacksmiths.

**David Murray**

Buller Street - - - - Ladysmith, B. C.

**THE BEST YET**

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER CARLOAD OF PRIME BEEF CATTLE DIRECT FROM THE CHILCOTEN RANGES. GIVE US A CALL AND BE CONVINCED THAT THEY CANNOT BE BEATEN ANYWHERE.

**PANNELL & PLASKETT**

EVENS BLOCK, GATACRE STREET, LADYSMITH, B.

**LADYSMITH TRANSFER CO.**

PIANOS, ORGANS AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE MOVED PROMPTLY AND SAFELY

Stables in rear of Ladysmith Hotel. Leave orders at the Abbotsford.  
**WILLIAMS AND WASKETT**

Delivered in Any Part of the City Every Afternoon

**The Daily Ledger**

50 Cents per Month

**AT LAST**

We are among you and shall be pleased to see all our friends at our new store on First Avenue.

**H. & W.**

**MEAT MARKET**

**A GENUINE SALE AT COST PRICES**

- Waltham—7-jewel movement, gold filled case, guaranteed 20 years—Lady's, Size 6, **\$10.00**
- Waltham—7-jewel movement, Lady's, size 0, gold filled case, guaranteed 20 years. **\$11.50.**
- Waltham—7-jewel movement, Lady's, size 0, gold filled case, guaranteed 25 years. **\$10.50.;**
- Waltham—7-jewel movement, Lady's, size 0, gold filled case, guaranteed 25 years. **\$12.00.**
- Waltham—Size 18, Crescent Street Nickel movement, 21-jewel, coin silver case, Waltham style. **\$20.00.**
- Waltham—Appleton & Tracy Nickel movement, 17-jewel, coin silver case, Waltham style. **\$22.00;**
- Waltham—Appleton & Tracy Nickel movement. Premier, 17-jewel, coin silver case, Waltham style. **\$25.50.**
- Waltham—Appleton & Tracy Nickel movement, Premier, gold filled case, guaranteed 20 years. **\$25.00.**
- Nickel case, 7-jewel movement, Waltham, **\$5.00.**

If anyone offers a discount on the above prices then their offer to sell below cost may be genuine, but none will do so, for the above are wholesale prices as paid by the undersigned. Every watch is guaranteed I am selling out, retail at wholesale prices.

**V. GENONI,**  
 Watchmaker and Jeweler,  
**FIRST AVENUE, LADYSMITH**

**Weiler Bros.**  
 COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS  
 VICTORIA, B. C.

**NEEDLE CASES GIVEN AWAY**

To get better acquainted with the Ladies of Ladysmith, we will send by mail free of cost any any time between now and Christmas—

**A CALENDAR NEEDLE CASE**

- 1 Glove or Fur Needle.
- 1 Straw or Milliner's Needle.
- 1 Tape Needle.
- 1 Worsted Needle.
- 1 Mottu or Chenille.
- 2 dbl. long Cotton Darners.
- 1 Yarn Darner.
- 2 Wove Darners.
- 2 fine Darners.
- 1 extra fine Silk Darner.
- 1 Carpet Needle.
- 1 Shoe Button Needle, and

25 assorted Sewing Needles. These are warranted to be the best in the world, and the assortment cannot be obtained in any store. Cut out this advertisement and mail it with your name and address—at once.

W. MUNSIE, Secretary. JOHN W. CORBURN, Manager

Telephone 46.

**The Ladysmith Lumber Co Ltd.**

MILLS AT FIDDICK AND LADYSMITH—Shingles a Specialty.

—Manufacturers of—

Rough and Dressed Fir and Cedar Lumber, Laths, Shingles, Mouldings, Etc., of the Best Quality.

Seasoned and Kila Dried Flooring and Finishing Lumber always in Stock

FURNITURE=J. H. Good & Company=FURNITURE

**RATHBONE SISTERS**—Members are requested to meet at the Old Fellows' hall on Monday afternoon at 1.30 sharp for drill practice. All members are requested to be present at the next regular meeting to nominate officers for the ensuing term.  
MRS. J. S. TAIT,  
Secretary.

For your Christmas Floral Decorations send to A. A. Berrow, Florist, Chemainus. Greenhouse full of Chrysanthemums, Maidenhair Fern, and Wreaths and Crosses made up on the shortest notice.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

Weinrobe's is the place for Ladies' Skirts. You can get sizes from 24 to 35 waist band.

G. B. D. Pipes—not the cheapest, but the best at the Drug Store.

East, the Japanese wanted, for supplying whiskey to the old Indian on Willy Island, near Chemainus, has been captured at Salt Spring Island.

Try Weinrobe's if you want a Stylish Skirt.

Fresh Eastern Oysters at Blair & Adam's.

Fresh Eggs at Heddle & Co.'s

The firemen have been presented with still another special prize for their masquerade ball; a very handy one this weather—two cords of wood from Mr. J. Leigh.

If you want a genuine B.B.B. pipe go to Forcimmer's and get one at less than half price.

Fresh Eggs at Heddle & Co.'s

Ladies should take advantage of the offer of Weiler as given in their advertisement on another page, and write for needle cases. The sample case sent is valuable and useful. All you have to do is to write for it. It is free, but you must write for it before Christmas.

Games, toy books and Annuals at Knight's.

If you want a large or small size skirt, go to Weinrobe's.

Headquarters for Xmas cards and calendar at Knight's.

Look at those elegant English Carvers at Jessup's.

Picture Post Card of Ladysmith, just in, at Knight's.

B.B.B. and case Pipes at Knight's.

Forcimmer's is the place to buy a fine pipe for a Christmas present.

**WHERE CHRISTMAS TRADE IS DONE**

(Continued from Page one.)

Christmas hair cuts are a speciality and the fashions followed. Winston says he takes special pains with his work at all times, but especially so during Christmas week.

**FAIRALLS.**  
On Roberts street, above 3rd avenue, Joseph Balango is building up a trade in Fairalls' Stout and English ale. He specially invites Christmas orders of the famous ales.

**MARKETS.**  
It is only fair to say of the five markets in Ladysmith that their meats, as sold to their customers, will compare favorably with Vancouver or Victoria markets, both as to quality and prices. Ladysmith residents can rest assured that in this line the town is favored. Each shop will have the usual Christmas birds, from which to select before the day arrives.

**MEN'S YOUTHS' & BOYS' SUITS**

We are having a Special Price sale of clothing for the next few days. All new, up-to-date suits, 20th Century and Piccadilly Suits. No better made.

**33 New Men's Suits in Fancy Tweeds, Latest Style and Cut, Reg. \$15 Sale \$10.**

**60 Suits, Men's Clay Worsted, Fancy Tweeds and Stripes, Kitchiner Cut. Reg. \$20 and \$22. Sale \$15.**



**60 Fauntleroy Suits for Boys from 21 to 26.** These Suits are marked down. You have to see these values to appreciate them. In some cases just one half. What more suitable present can you make than a good suit.

**12 Boys Sailor Suits made of regular Sea Serge. Regular Price \$2.75, Sale, 1.75.**

**Xmas Novelties: Fancy Ties, Braces, Silk Handkerchiefs, Initialed Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Umbrellas.** We were never in a better position to supply your Xmas wants than we are this year. Try us.

**DRYSDALE, STEVENSON CO. LADYSMITH**

**ONTARIO SNOW APPLES**

DELICIOUS. EATING ... 3 pounds for 25c.

**B. C. KINGS**

LARGE RED, SELECTED APPLES ... \$1.50 per box

**BALDWIN'S**

GOOD APPLE FOR EATING OR COOKING ... \$1.25 per box

**GREENINGS**

GOOD COOKING APPLES ... \$1.15 per box

**W. T. HEDDLE & CO.**

Williams' Block Particular Grocers. Ladysmith. Telephone 1.

**LADYSMITH SHAVING PARLORS**

HIGH STREET. Best in the City

The Kings Hotel is the only place in Ladysmith that has on draught John Labatt's India Pale Ale. Call around and sample it.

Fresh Eastern Oysters at Blair & Adam's.

**NOTICE**

Messrs. Blair & Adam have secured the agency of the Chrystal Laundry Co. to Victoria. All parcels and orders left with them will receive prompt and careful attention.

SEE

**Harry Kay**

for artistic Painting and Paperhanging. Picture Framing. FIRST AVENUE, Ladysmith.

**GEORGE YUEN**

**Merchant Tailor**

All kinds of clothing cleaned and repaired.

Plans, Specifications and Details furnished for all kinds of work in the CARPENTER Line  
C. B. ROBELEE, Carpenter and Joiner, 2nd ave, Ladysmith, B. C.

**FAIRALL'S EXTRA STOUT**

BREWED FROM MALT and HOPS ONLY.

THE ONLY ENGLISH ALE

BREWED IN BRITISH COLUMBIA Call and see JOSEPH BALAGNO, Roberts street, between Third and Fourth Avenues, or telephone 1-7.

**FARMERS' MEAT MARKET**

On 1st Avenue

Geo. Roberts - - - Proprietor

Fletcher Bros. will open up in the building adjoining Mr. T. W. Fletcher's store on First avenue within a few days with a full stock of Pianos, organs and musical goods in general, including a full line of latest sheet music and songs. They will make a farther announcement to the public regarding their business in Ladysmith soon. It will be their aim to accommodate the lovers of music in any way possible and will ask for and expect to receive a fair share of business in this line.

The Empire is a hand-made cigar, made in Ladysmith.

John Labatt's Pale Ale is on draught at the Kings Hotel. It is a perfect ale.

Handsome Ebony and Shaving Mirrors at Jessup's Drug Store.

Go to Forcimmer's and ask him to show you his fine lot of pipes. Satsuma Ware—makes an elegant Christmas Gift—at the Drug Store.

Fresh Eastern Oysters at Blair & Adam's.

Patronize home industry and smoke Empire Cigar.

Irish Bog Oak Toilet Cases at the Lady Smith Pharmacy.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR SEASONABLE AND USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

- A pair of Ladies' or Gents' Slippers, Leather or Felt.
- A real good pair of Boots.
- A pair of Gum Boots for girl or boy
- A nice Umbrella.
- A Fur Boa or Collarette.
- Ladies' Fancy Collars.
- Silk Handkerchiefs, plain or embroidered.

**IN GROCERIES**

- PLUM PUDDINGS
- FRUIT CAKE
- MIXED PEELS
- NUTS, ALL KINDS
- ORANGES
- LAYER RAISINS
- CURRENTS
- BONBONS
- FIGS
- APPLES
- CRYSTALIZED FRUITS

**SIMON LEISER & CO Ltd.**

GATAORE ST. LADYSMITH

**Have You Cold Feet?**

If so wear a pair of our Felt House Slippers at 40c and 50c a pair—for ladies and gentlemen.

ALL KINDS OF BOOTS AND SHOES.

**BLAIR & ADAM**

Sole Agents: W. B. CHOCOLATES.

CARLISLE BLOCK

**DID YOU HEAR THE LATEST**

THE LITTLE FISH WANTS TO GOBBLE UP THE BIG Ones, but it cannot be done unless at a great loss to themselves.

The B. Forcimmer stock that we secured at 80c. on the dollar enabled us to undersell anyone in this city or on the Island in WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, ETC., ETC.

Call on us and convince you selves before buying elsewhere.

**B. Forcimmer**

WATCHMAKER, JEWELER, OPTICIAN

FIRST AVE., X X X LADYSMITH

**THE DAILY INVITATION AT HOY'S BAKERY.**

Every day from now on until Christmas we cordially invite you to come in at our Bakery and Confectionary store, and see our stock of goods, bought very largely for the holiday trade. In addition to the splendid line of Confectionary, such as chocolates, creams, bonbons, candy, toys and every-

HOY'S BAKERY.

**THE DAILY INVITATION AT HOY'S BAKERY.**

thing in the line of sweets, we have a full line of candy toys, such as is generally carried in connection with a bakery and confectionary. Of Christmas cake and New Years goods we carry a full line. Everything is neat and attractive, and is made from the best stock.

HOY'S BAKERY.

**JUST OPENED**

FOR SALE AT REASONABLE PRICES

A beautiful Assortment of Colored Austrian Glassware. Select one of those water sets early.

A job lot of toys at cost to clear.

At Morrison's, Ladysmith, B. C.

**CLEARING OUT SALE OF TOYS**

Our loss is your gain, but they must be sold, as we are going out of the Toy business.

Prices will be no object; come in; look them over. We can suit you in most anything you want for Xmas presents.

E. ROLSTON.