THUG DISGUISED AS A CHINAMAN

SEATTLE, Dec. 31.—A thug disguised as a Chinaman assaulted and attempted to rob Mrs. Mary Hart at Yesler way and Broadway at 9:30 o'clock last night. Mrs. Hart, who is a widow 62 years of age, screamed after she had wrenched herhelf away from the thug. He fled when he believed that help would come to his victim.

Mrs. Hart was just entering the house of a friend when the thug, disguised as a Chinaman, grabbed her. He put one hand over her face and threw her to the ground. He was attempting to get her purse when he loosened his hold on her mouth and she was able to scream.

The police are certain that the thug is a white man, but has adopted the Chinese garb to prevent identification.

SPECIAL SERVICES

At 11:30 New Year's morning and at 8 o'clock in the evening services celebrating the signing of the emancipation proclamation will be held in the Olivet Baptist church.

LABOR MEETINGS

The Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers Workers, local union No. 35, and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, local union No. 47, met last evening. Regular business matters were taken up at each of the meetings.

MONEY WENT TO OTHERS

In a divorce suit filed in the superior court this morning Marian Randles charges that her husband, T. S. Randles, has given his affections and means to others and has never provided for her as he should. She also alleges cruelty. Mrs. Randles asks for separation and the custody of her 2-year-old baby.

DIVORCE

Because her husband refused to speak to her for days at a time and was generally uncivil and cruel Mrs. Jennie R. Thompson was today granted a divorce from her husband, Alexander Thompson. Judge Huston signed the decree. The Thompsons were married in this city 12 years ago.

MARINE GLIMPSES

The Seattle-Tacoma steamer Flyer makes four trips tomorrow instead of three, her regular schedule.

Captain Olesen's tug Elf is laid up for repairs at the Puget Sound drydock.

The French bark Eugenie Fautrel has shifted from the Commercial to the Northwestern dock.

A crew of men under Government Engineer Ricksecker are taking soundings in the channel where the dredger Pacific is working. This work is done monthly. The average depth of the channel on the east side is now 25 feet.

Among the freight to go out on the Cottage City for the North is the iron work for the new government penitentiary at Juneau.

The steamship Queen from San Francisco is unloading freight at the Ocean dock. She will get away for Seattle this afternoon.

The French ship Ville de Mulhouse has finished loading wheat and is anchored in the stream.

The steamship Pleiades, loaded down with a general cargo, left for Seattle at 4 o'clock this morning. She has a small amount of local freight and will leave the Sound for the Orient Saturday.

The schooner Expansion arrived at the Tacoma mill this morning from San Pedro.

The crew of the Olympia will be signed before Deputy United States Shipping Commissioner Swift today.

The Sound and Alaska steamer City of Topeka, which has been laid up in Seattle for some time, is to have a thorough overhauling. New boilers will be placed in her and it will be several months before she resumes her Northern run.

DAMAGES FOR BROKEN LEG

A damage suit was filed in the superior court this morning by Charles Thorn against the J. T. Steeb Shipping company, for $5,360. Thorn alleges that while employed as a longshoreman by the defendant company his leg was broken through the carelessness of fellow workmen. The defendant, he says, has refused to pay the expenses he incurred as a result of the accident.

Thorn was injured last May by being struck by a swinging beam while loading lumber at Quartermaster harbor.

NEW YORK HORSE CARS TO THE DUMP HEAP—GOTHAM STOOD A LOT

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—With the new year New York will at last cut loose from the horse car. The last crosstown rattletrap will be allowed to fall away into the junk heap. The last ring-boned, spavined skate will be interred in the boneyard. For years these horse cars should have been in the museum. Instead they kept on rattling from river to river. They're lurching over the cobbles today. But they've laid a train of live wire under them. In the tomorrow of the new year the metropolis will finally be fully trolleyed.

Why New York harbored the ramshackle horse car this last decade is a mystery. No factory town in all the country but would have banished them years ago. Perhaps it's because the New Yorker is short on local pride. Perhaps it's because in this town they can take your nickel in any wreck on wheels. At any rate, the prehistoric horse car has jangled on year after year across Broadway. It will just fall short of overlapping the subway. When people have been flying a generation or two they will probably be extorting nickels in the subway. Any town on the map can shy stones at New York on street transportation.

We wish all our friends and patrons a Happy New Year. Jolls, 944 Pacific Ave. ***

FOOTBALL

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the second high school football team and the Indian reservation aggregation will play a match game here. The high school team beat the Indians at the last meeting, but the reservation boys have been practicing since then and are full of faith and ginger now.

U. S. COURT

The United States district court will be in session in Tacoma January 6.

ARTIFICIAL CAMPHOR HAS BEEN DISCOVERED

COBURG, Germany, Dec. 31.—E. Callemberg, of Lank-on-Rhine, has succeeded in preparing, on a commercial basis, pure chlorhydrate of terebinth, commonly known as "artificial camphor," and has found that this pure body has many valuable properties.

It is soluble in nitroglycerine, diminishing greatly the maximum temperature reached during explosions, hence it may prove useful in the manufacture of safety explosives. It further lowers the freezing point of nitroglycerine to a very marked degree, a solution containing from 3 to 5 per cent of the chlorhydrate solidifying at 10 degrees to 15 degrees C., the product being a gelatin dynamite of improved quality, while the pure solvent in nitroglycerine dissolves in the cold every kind of gun cotton, including the so-called insoluble varieties.

According to La Nature, the chlorhydrate has also proved useful in the manufacture of explosives containing nitrate of ammonia.

FREE LECTURES

Professor M. F. Knox, founder of the Mental Science college at Seattle and vice-president of the International Mental Science association, will deliver a series of five lectures in Uarker hall, 1117½ Tacoma avenue, commencing Sunday evening, January 3, at 8 o'clock. The subject of the opening lecture will be "How to Overcome Poverty and Accumulate Wealth." The first three lectures will be free.

INQUIRIES OF HOMESEEKERS

A. Van Holderbeke, state horticultural commissioner, is receiving many letters from farmers of the middle states who are thinking of settling in Washington. All want to know the best part of the state in which to settle. The information is given that one section of the state possesses hardly any advantage over the others. In some places where one product is a failure another makes up for it, and the homeseeker is sure of safe returns on money invested in any part of Washington.

HIS TROUBLE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—An additional indictment has been returned against John Benson, the wealthy real estate dealer of San Francisco, who is charged by the interior department with being the head conspirator in alleged land frauds in a dozen western states and territories.

INCREASED BUILDING

During the past year 1,314 building permits have been issued by the city, 805 of which were for dwellings. The total value of building in the city during 1903 is $1,692,424, against $1,127,699 for last year. The building inspector says that had it not been for strikes the building permits would have reached a higher fiure.

During 1902 the city issued 893 building permits, while in 1903 the building inspector issued 1,314 permits.

During last March the building permits amounted to $306,012, more than $100,000 heavier than during any other month for years.

NEW YEAR DINNER FOR EIGHT.

Blue Points.
Boullon.
Roast Duck, Currant Jelly Sauce.
Mashed Potatoes. Cauliflower au Gratin.
Rice Croquettes.
Celery. Olives. Salted Nuts.
Orange Ice.
French Fruit Salad.
Club House Cheese Sandwiches.
Mince Pie.
Ginger Ice Cream.
Cakes. Grapes. Bonbons.
Cafe Noir.

MATERIALS AND COST.

1½ pints oysters	$ .38
Bouillon	.50
10-pound duck	2.00
1 large head cauliflower	.25
Jelly	.15
2 quarts potatoes	.10
Rice croquettes	.03
Celery and lettuce	.30
Olives	.25
½ pound almonds	.30
½ dozen oranges and 3 lemons	.28
½ pound grapes	.10
3 bananas	.08
Cheese (Club House)	.10
Mine pie (home-made)	.25
Ice cream (home-made)	.40
1-3 pound coffee	.10
Olive oil and condiments	.10
Cakes (home-made)	.35
Bonbons	.25
Rolls and 1 pound butter	.56
Total	$6.82

LITTLE GIRLS' COATS

These two coats are extremely pretty. No. 1 is made of pale blue satin, lined with white silk; the coat is heavily waddded. It is shirred at the shoulder and waist. The wide sleeve is bound with ermine and set onto a cuff and undersleeve of embroidered satin. The collar is of the same and is finished with long stole fronts of ermine. No. 2 is of heavy garnet zibeline, bordered with silk of the same color, outlined with French knots.

A NEW MEMBER ADDED TO ROOSEVELT'S BIG FAMILY

ELIHU ROOT. WM. H. TAFT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—When on January 1, Wm. Harvard Taft, ex-newspaper man, lawyer, judge, member of the Philippine commission and civil governor of the Philippine islands, becomes secretary of war, succeeding Secretary Root, he will be the second of his family to have held the position. Under President Grant his father, Alphonso Taft, held the portfolio, as well as that of attorney general.

Governor Taft comes to the office after years of office holding. He is a Cincinnati, O., product, and a graduate of Yale, being salutatorian of the class of '78. He was born September 15, 1857.

After graduating from Yale he took a course in the Law School of Cincinnati, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1880. Almost at once he entered politics, and successfully held city, county, state and government positions.

His work as president of the Philippine commission and later as civil governor of the islands stamped him as one of the strong men of the country. From chaos he brought order. From Spanish bribery and treachery he established decency and good government. He built schools and municipalities in the islands and established a government from the ground up.

His call to accept the portfolio as secretary of war was not unnatural. It was the reward that followed such work. His great legal ability will stand him in stead in the trying work of the department, and his knowledge of actual conditions in the far east will be of incalculable value to the department.

The man he succeeds, Elihu Root, is an older man. He was born in what is now Knox Hall of natural history on the campus of Hamilton college, Clinton, N. Y. The hall was formerly the home of the Root family, when the secretary's father was professor of mathematics.

Elihu Root came into the world February 15, 1845. He graduated from Hamilton college in 1864 and later from the University Law School of the city of New York. He, too, has held office for years. His first appointment was as United States district attorney of southern New York, to which office he was appointed by President Arthur in 1883. He remained until 1885. As delegate-at-large to the United States constitutional convention, and chairman of the judiciary convention in 1894 he made a name for himself.

His law practice in New York, when called to accept a place in President McKinley's cabinet, was estimated at $80,000 a year. He took up the work of secretary when Alger resigned in 1899, and was reappointed March 5, 1901. August 3, 1903, he handed his resignation to President Roosevelt, to take effect January 1, 1904. Meanwhile he was appointed to the Alaskan boundary commission, and did much to advance the claims of this country.

During his term as secretary of w ar he passed through the leavings of the embalmed beef scandal, the General Miles controversy and the water cure investigations. He was roundly condemned by many for his action the day Miles left office, but later developments brought out the fact that he acted upon President Roosevelt's orders, and had he been allowed to have his own way would have tendered the Indian fighter an ovation as the departing commander of the army.

A GIRL'S BODICE.

This pretty evening bodice is of pale yellow louisine trimmed with insertion and set-in applique of heavy white lace. The girdle is popular. The yoke and the center tab, which conceals the closing, are edged with yellow silk cord.

CHEESE DISHES SERVED WITH SALADS.

Cheese Balls.—Mix together thoroughly one and one-half cups grated cheese, one tablespoon flour, one-quarter teaspoon salt and a few grains cayenne; then add the whites of three eggs beaten stiff. Shape in balls and roll in fine bread crumbs. Fry in smoking hot lard and drain on paper.

Cheese Puffs.—One-half cup water, one-eighth cup butter, one-half cup flour, three eggs, one-third cup grated cheese, salt and cayenne. Boil the butter and water, sift in the flour with salt and cayenne; stir and cook until mixture cleaves from side of pan. When mixture has cooled, add the eggs, one at a time, beating in each egg thoroughly before another is added. Lastly, add the cheese. Drop by teaspoonfuls into hot fat and fry a golden brown. Drain on paper. Serve on a paper doylie on a hot plate.

Cheese Fritters.—Slice thin four large sour apples, and prepare half as many thin slices of cheese. Beat up two eggs, season with salt, mustard and cayenne. Soak cheese in egg mixture, then put each slice between two slices of apple; roll in fine bread crumbs, dip in the beaten egg, and again in crumbs. Fry in hot lard. Serve hot.

When I dropped into the New York Kitchen at 926 Commerce street I found the Big Swede hard at work making a batch of his famous pies. ***

SOFT NOUGAT.

Beat the whites of four eggs to a very stiff froth; pour into them, beating all the while, one pound of hot strained honey. Then add slowly one pound of sugar that has been boiled with half a cupful of water until when dropped into cold water it forms a soft ball. Beat continuously over the fire until the mixture, when dropped into cold water breaks apart in the fingers. Add one pound of sugar that has been boiled until it is brittle and clear when dropped into water. Add one pound of blanched almonds and pour at once into shallow pans that have been lined with rice paper. Cover the top with rice paper, and when cold cut into strips the width of the pan and one inch wide. It requires two people to make soft nougat.

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INTERURBAN TIME CARD.

Leace Tacoma (cor. Eighth and A Sts.)—6:15, 7:30, 8.35, Ltd., no stops, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a. m.; 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:35, Ltd., no stops., 5:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 p. m.; 7:30 p. m. and 12:15 a. m. to Kent only.

Leave Seattle (First Ave. So. and Jackson St.)—6:30, 7:30, 8:35., Ltd., no stops, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a. m.; 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:35, Ltd., no stops, 5:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 p. m.; 7:30 p. m. and 12:15 a. m., to Kent only.

CHARMING CHAMPION THIS BOWLER

MISS NONA E. SHAKSHESKY.

JEFFERSON, WIS., Dec. 31.—Miss Nona E. Shakshesky of this city, the champion woman bowler of Wisconsin, boasts of a high score, within eight points of the best score ever made in the state by a man. Her best game was rolled recently. Her score, 261, will probably stand for a long time, as the highest score, 269, made some time ago by a man, has remained untouched.

Few women have ever bowled such a game. Prior to Miss Shakshesky's great game, the best score made in Wisconsin by a woman was 234. This was a year ago. Miss Shakshesky is a charming girl and an ardent lover of bowling. She speaks modestly of her great achievement. The young woman is a leader in society and her father is prominent in insurance circles. Her game was made as follows:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	—
30	60	90	120	150	177	197	217	244	261	

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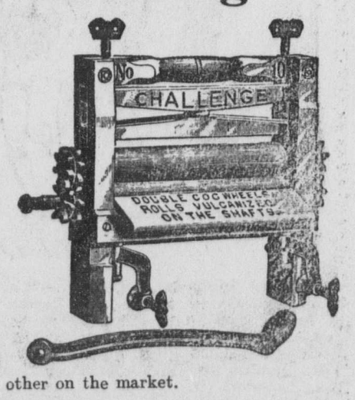

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