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SHINANO MARU DUE FROM THE ORIENT

Iyo Maru Will Enter the Victoria Line Instead of New Hitachi Maru

KESTREL TO SUPPLY LIGHTHOUSES

In Absence of Quadra on Special Service—Tosa Maru Delayed Owing to Coal Shortage

The steamer Shinano Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, is due from Hongkong and Yokohama. The Japanese liner, one of the three in command of Japanese masters, left Yokohama on December 26, one day before the fast C. P. R. liner Empress of Japan, which reached William Head on Sunday night.

The steamer Iyo Maru, which was withdrawn from the Japanese fleet to fill a vacancy on the European line of the company, has been replaced in the Yokohama-Victoria service instead of the new liner Hitachi Maru. It was proposed to send the new liner, built to replace the Hitachi Maru, sunk by the Russians in the Genkai Nada during the recent war, to Victoria on her maiden trip in February, but the company's plans were altered and the vessel has been despatched to London from Yokohama, leaving the Japanese port at the end of December on her initial trip. With the placing of the Hitachi Maru on that route, the steamer Iyo Maru will be sent to Victoria on arrival from London. She is scheduled to sail for this port on February 6.

The Tango Maru will be the next steamer to follow the Shinano, leaving Yokohama today for Victoria.

The Tosa Maru, which was to have sailed yesterday from the ocean dock for the Orient, has been delayed owing to the inability of her agents to secure bunker coal for the vessel. The local agent of the line, E. R. Stephens, has been advised that the Tosa will leave Seattle this morning and arrive here about noon on her way to the Far East.

Another steamer delayed owing to the coal shortage is the Kosmos liner Hathor, which recently loaded a large shipment of lumber at the outer dock sent by the Sayward mills to Mexico. The Hathor was to have sailed from Seattle for Hamburg via ports on Monday, but she has been unable to secure fuel, and the time of her departure is uncertain.

VENTURE LEAVES TONIGHT

Steamer Will Sail for Naas and Way Ports

Steamer Venture of the Boscowitz Steamship company, will sail tonight at 10 p. m. for northern British Columbian ports as advertised in another column. Among the passengers booked are some workmen for the pulp industry at Swanson bay.

GUNBOAT KESTREL

Carries Supplies to Northern Lighthouses During Absence of Quadra

Owing to the withdrawal of the lighthouse tender Quadra for despatch to Bamfield creek on special duty the fishery protection cruiser Kestrel has been impressed for lighthouse duty in addition to her patrol work in the fishery protection service. Capt. Newcomb of the Kestrel has hitherto refused to do any work in connection with the other department of the service, declining to carry small shipments of supplies for lighthouses and when the Quadra was ordered away by the marine and fisheries department the local agent found difficulty in carrying out even the most necessary work of the lighthouse service. Lightkeepers were in need of stores, and some means had to be taken to secure the delivery. Capt. Gaudin telegraphed to Ottawa and the minister of marine replied authorizing him to make use of the Kestrel for necessary work. Still Capt. Newcombe deferred. He said he had not been ordered to do any lighthouse work. But he has received his orders, and when the Kestrel leaves for the north today or tomorrow she will carry stores for Egg Island, Pointer island and other lights. Much necessary buoy work, however, must needs be left undone.

The Kestrel arrived yesterday morning from Vancouver and anchored at the government's wharf in the inner harbor. This morning the steamer will proceed to Ladysmith or Comox if arrangements can be made for a supply of coal and will then proceed north to Egg island, Pointer island and to Port Simpson. A visit will be made also to Hecate banks if the weather is not too rough, and Capt. Newcomb will see that no poachers are working on the Canadian fishing banks.

SHEILA'S ROUGH TRIP

Further advices regarding the rough passage of the steam collier Sheila between Comox and San Francisco at which latter port she arrived six days overdue, have been received from the Golden Gate. Last Thursday night the steamship ran into a strong northwest gale and mountainous seas fifty miles off Cape Blanco. The steam steering gear was carried away and a tremendous wave swept the decks and carried away the two port boats. Half an hour later the hand steering gear was also disabled, leaving the vessel at the mercy of the waves. Capt. Ogilvy and his crew worked all night and part of the following day to rig up the steering gear with which the steamer reached port.

THE CITY OF PANAMA

Suffered in Furious Storm—One Seaman Drowned

City of Mexico, Jan. 3.—Louis Kaiser, United States consul at Port Mazatlan, Mexico, has telegraphed to the Associated Press the story of the southbound trip of the Pacific Mail line steamer City of Panama, which for three days was thought to have been lost off the California coast.

The story shows that the fears for the safety of the vessel were well grounded, as the trip was thrilling, replete with danger, narrow escapes and heroic action on the part of officers and crew. One life was lost that of Manuel Acuna, a Chilean.

"We left San Francisco on Dec. 31" says Capt. Nelson, "with thirty-five passengers on board. While we were crossing the bar a terrible northwester struck us, and the little steamer tossed like a chip on the sea.

"The storm increased in fury, and we were in the teeth of the hurricane for seventeen consecutive hours. During the height of the gale the lifeboat davits crashed against the deck and were broken, and everything movable on board the steamer was washed overboard.

"Mate George, Boatswain Telecea and two seamen were ordered up to secure the remaining life rafts. But they no sooner reached the rafts than they were all swept overboard.

"With great difficulty a lifeboat commanded by Mate Moden was finally launched. Meanwhile Mate George, Boatswain Telecea and one of the seamen succeeded in reaching one of the life rafts that had been swept into the sea. Mate Moden and his crew reached the stricken men and rescued them.

"Acuna was tossed up by a huge wave and disappeared.

"As the storm was increasing, it was decided to run for a haven, and the crippled craft was finally brought safely into Drakes bay, on the coast of California.

"Although the boat had been badly buffeted, she was not so badly injured that she could not proceed on her journey. The boat waited for the storm to subside, and then proceeded on her journey, arriving at the port of Mazatlan at 6 o'clock Sunday night."

The passengers highly praised the brave conduct and efficiency of the captain and the crew. A collection was taken up, the proceeds to be used in the purchase of gold medals for the crew that manned the lifeboat during the height of the storm. The condition of the steamer was such that she was able to proceed on her journey southward today.

VANCOUVER'S SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF FUEL

C. M. Marpole Arrives and Secures Emergency Shipment of Coal

"Our coal bins were absolutely empty, and there was not a sack of coal to be had in Vancouver when I left," said C. M. Marpole, of the firm of Macdonald & Marpole, the well known Vancouver fuel dealers, to the Colonist yesterday.

Mr. Marpole arrived in the city on Monday night, bent on making some arrangements for the shipment of coal to Vancouver, where he states that the utmost shortage of fuel prevails. Thanks to his efforts a scow carrying three hundred and fifty tons will leave for the Mainland from Dunsmuir & Sons' collieries today, while on Friday two others will cross the Gulf, bringing the total amount up to one thousand tons.

"The thousand tons will enable us to answer our most urgent orders, and will make it possible for us to keep things going until the collieries are able to increase their output," said Mr. Marpole. "Mr. Dunsmuir has promised me that the supply of coal for Vancouver will be kept up hereafter, and I have no fear of fuel becoming again so short as it has been for the last few days."

Mr. Marpole stated that the undue shortage is due to sickness at the mines, where fully ten per cent of the men are laid up by la grippe. In Ladysmith mines alone the output has dropped on this account from eleven to seven hundred tons a day. Mr. Marpole states that Mr. Dunsmuir informed him that shortage of labor alone hampers the output of the mines. Could he obtain enough men, Mr. Dunsmuir stated, he could produce enough coal to supply the whole of the Pacific coast.

"As it is," continued Mr. Marpole, "the shortage in Seattle is even worse than in Vancouver. I have heard of cases where men have paid teams one and two dollars an hour to stand by the bunkers from two in the afternoon until twelve at night awaiting their turn to get a load of coal."

Mr. Marpole states that wood, too, has been short in Vancouver for some days past. The supply of cordwood has entirely given out, while mill wood has been remarkably short, owing to the fact that most of the mills have closed down for repairs; but Mr. Marpole states that they will shortly be reopened, and that the shortage will then be remedied.

LIBERALS NOMINATE THE FORMER MEMBERS

Noticeable Decrease in Attendance From That of Last Convention

R. L. Drury, Richard Hall, W. G. Cameron and J. D. McNiven were nominated at a convention of the Victoria Liberal party held last evening at the Institute hall. There was a comparatively small attendance, as indicated by the number of votes cast; and the proceedings lacked enthusiasm. R. B. McMicking, president of the organization, occupied the chair.

Those whose names were mentioned and the support accorded each followed: R. L. Drury, 162; Richard Hall, 161; W. G. Cameron, 156; J. D. McNiven, 155; F. W. Peters, K. C., 90; and W. Marchant, 52. A comparison of the figures given with those of the balloting for candidates at the last convention of the Liberal association in itself is conclusive evidence of the marked change of sentiment during the past three years. When the Liberal ticket was nominated in 1903 the highest vote cast was 484, while the lowest was larger than that accorded Mr. Drury last night. This is accepted as an indication that the split in the ranks of the local Liberals is much more extensive than generally supposed. It is reliably stated that the dissension is by no means confined to the membership of the Young Liberal club, and that many did not attend the convention because of their belief that it would be prejudicial to the best interests of the province not to sustain the McBride government on the second day of next month.

The names of the successful candidates having been announced, they were called upon for addresses. The majority of those present, however, left the hall long before the last speech had been completed.

The cheers which closed the proceedings were distinctly lacking in heartiness. In fact many of those present remarked the chilliness of the atmosphere and left with irresistible forebodings as to the success of their nominees in the forthcoming election.

CITY ON VERGE OF A FUEL FAMINE

Dealers in Both Coal and Wood Report They Cannot Begin to Fill Orders

Lucky is the Victorian who at the present time has a well filled wood shed and parlous is the plight of the paterfamilias who has allowed his wood pile to dwindle away unreplenished. For wood promises to be uncommonly short in Victoria for some time to come. At present the fuel merchants of the city have between them some one hundred and fifty cords of wood, and with orders on their books to cover that amount several times over, they are anxiously wondering how the city is to be supplied.

"The shortage of wood is due on the one hand to the weather and on the other to lack of labor. "I've got over a thousand cords all cut and waiting to be brought into town, on the Summit and at Langford," said J. E. Painter to the Colonist yesterday, "but it's impossible to get it out. It's hard work handling cord wood at any time of the year, and now owing to almost a foot and a half of snow on the hills, the task is still more difficult.

"The wood has all to be brought down from the hills on little tram lines, and it requires strong men for that work. It's impossible to get white men,—in all the fourteen years that I have been in the business I have only had a white man to work for me once,—and the Chinamen are getting so independent that they only work when they feel they want to. They are not obliged to work they say, for lots of them have been engaged and paid beforehand by the canneries. In order to get Chinamen I have to pay $80 and $90 a month, and even at that price I can't get them to work continuously."

"How much wood have you got on hand at present?" Mr. Painter was asked.

"About fifty cords."

"And how much have you orders for?"

"Well, at the lowest estimate I have orders on the books for at least two hundred cords, and I've refused many others."

Inquiry at the Burt Bros. wood yard elicited much the same story. In the yards are about one hundred cords of wood, while on the books of the firm are orders far in advance of that amount. While the Colonist reporter was in the office, no fewer than six ladies called with orders for one, two and three cords each, and all were sent away with the information that there was no wood for sale. Some of the ladies protested that they had no wood left, and that they simply had to have some fuel. Their pleadings made no difference however; there was no wood to be obtained.

"We've got between three and four thousand cords on Cobble Hill," the Colonist representative was informed, "but we can't get it,—labor is so scarce and the deep snow prohibits all hauling." Messrs. Burt Bros. are now making efforts to rush a number of sleighs to the wood piles in the forest. The snow is deep and dry, and it is hoped that it may be found possible to haul out at least enough to relieve the extreme shortage that prevails in the town at the present time.

Similar scarcity prevails at all the other wood yards in the city,—in fact yesterday not a stick was obtainable, all there was, having been ordered in advance, and prospects were not much better for today. At J. E. Grice's wood yard are several dozen cords of mill wood, and although this variety of fuel is not usually much in favor, it is selling rapidly at the present time. All the wood dealers say that there is plenty of wood in the forests but that so long as labor remains as short as it now is, and the snow continues to lie on the ground, it will be impossible to get it into town. Some of the dealers have wired to Chemainus for slab wood from the mills there, and were in hopes of receiving several car-loads today. Meanwhile the price of wood has gone up 50c per cord, and is now $5.50.

Meanwhile the coal dealers are doing a splendid trade. The recent cold snap has created a keen demand for fuel, and lacking wood the householders are turning to coal. So far the merchants have not had to refuse any orders, but they admit that they are running things rather close, and that the supply of coal coming in from the mines to the city is not so large as they would like to see it. "Coal hasn't been so short in Victoria for twenty years as it is today," said a well known local dealer to the Colonist yesterday.

Hall & Walker and J. Kingham are distributing over the city something like two hundred tons daily. From the Wellington mines, Messrs. Hall & Walker are receiving every day from two to three car loads of coal, an amount which is only just sufficient to cover the demand, and leaves the bins empty every night. In fact there is virtually no reserve of coal in Victoria at the present time and the hearths of the city are being supplied every day direct from the mines. Should anything happen to cut off communication between the mines and the city, for a few days, before the merchants had had time to establish a reserve of coal, a serious fuel shortage would result. The retailers, however, are looking for no such interruption of supply, and hope to be able to rush enough coal into the city to prevent any great inconvenience. "All the same, until the mines are able to turn out several hundred tons a day more than they are now doing, there is liable to be something of a pinch" was the dictum of a well known dealer yesterday.

B. C. ORPHANS' HOME.

Little Ones All Well—Donations Liberal Cash and Goods.

The regular monthly meeting of ladies' committee of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' home was held Monday afternoon in the City Hall, there being present Mrs. G. A. McTavish in the chair, and Mesdames Higgins, McCulloch, Hutcheson, Shakespeare, Andrew Huckell, Tolter, Pickard, Berridge and Miss Aubin.

Accounts to the amount of $93 were approved and ordered paid. An application for the service of a boy was received and answered to the effect that none were at present available.

A letter from Mrs. Kaye, the matron, informed the committee that she was much improved in health and hoped to take up her work again.

The house committee reported having made several visits to the home and had found everything satisfactory. The Christmas entertainment was one of the most enjoyable ever held in the home. The donations both to that and on Christmas day had been very generous. Mrs. Noan Shakespeare and Miss Aubin were appointed visitors for January.

It was agreed to take the necessary steps to have the dining room floor covered with linoleum, and rubber placed on the stairs.

The acting matron reported 52 little ones in the home, all well, and the receipt of the following donations, which were thankfully acknowledged:

Mrs. Brown, Dallas avenue, vegetables; Mrs. Renfrew, clothing; Mrs. Todd, clothing; Mrs. Arthur Peate, 5 sacks of vegetables; Mrs. Pearse, 1 sack vegetables; Mrs. Jack, apples, 1 ham; Mrs. Jackson, clothing; Mrs. Flemming, honey; Mrs. T. Fell, 1 box Japs, nuts and raisins; Mr. T. Ellis, 2 Christmas trees; Mrs. Tolmie, Cordelia Farm, 1 Christmas tree, 1 sack apples; A Friend of the Children, $5, pictures, croquet sets and clothing; Mr. J. R. Todd, nuts, raisins, figs and candies; Mrs. Oliver, Oak Bay, 7 dolls, toys and clothing; Mrs. Atkins, pictures; Mrs. H. A. S. Morley, 2 boxes of oranges; Mrs. Fletcher, clothing; Mrs. Dunsmuir, Government House, large box of toys and dolls for tree; Spencer's, 2 boxes toys; First Presbyterian church, cake; Kathleen Booth, toys; Mrs. Mundy, toys; Florence Mundy, pockethandkerchiefs; Mrs. W. Walker, cake; Phyllis Griffiths, toys; Mrs. Carson, bon bons; A Friend, books, apples and candy; Mrs. Watkins, 1 box candy; Mrs. Aubin, 6 pots jam; Mrs. Liege, 1 dozen fresh eggs, 1 box candy; Mrs. G. & L., 1 roast beef, 2 boxes bon bons, games; H. Scott, 20 lbs. candies; Smith Biscuit Co., 1 large pail of mixed candy; Mrs. A. Gray, 2 boxes bon bons, 1 box oranges, candy; Mrs. R. B. McMicking, bon bons, figs and dates; Mrs. Barnard, bons bons, candies and nuts; Hon. James Dunsmuir, 8 tons coal. Mr. Carne, 1 dozen bon bons, 2 boxes raisins; Mrs. Geo. Hyman, 1 box Japs, 1 sack rolled oats; George Baine, 1 box Japs; Raymond Murrell, 1 box Japs; Mrs. Bishop, 1 plum pudding, 2 mince pies, 1 box nuts; Mrs. Cecell Helmcken, 1 doll; Miss Edith Helmcken, toy watches; Mrs. R. D. Brown, pair home knitted stockings; Mrs. Vigor, 3 pails of jam; Miss A. Carrol, 4 turkeys, 5 lbs. of cranberries, 1 box of apples, 1 box of oranges, nuts and bon bons; Miss Ward's class, 1 scrap book; Miss Marchant's class, decoration for tree, nuts, candies, apples and oranges; Mrs. Pemberton, 1 dozen of tennis balls, 1 picture; Mrs. Andrews, 1 box of oranges, 1 pair of mince meat; Mrs. Munsie, sausages; Mrs. Harrison (Driard) 1 turkey, 1 sack of flour, 1 box of apples, candies; Mrs. W. Higgins, 1 large box figs; Mrs. Huckle, 1 box oranges, 2 boxes biscuits, 1 pail mince meat; Porter, 2 turkeys.

Cash Donations

Lake District Jester club, $1; the Children's Friend, $5; F. J. Deane, $10; Mrs. J. H. Todd, $5; A Friend, $1; Mrs. Munsie, $5; W. H. Finlayson, cheque, $20; D. R. Ker, Esq., $5; A Friend, $10; Mrs. Cullison, 50c.; A Friend, $1; Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, $2.50; the Shipwrights' Union, $12; A Friend, 12 chickens; A Friend, 2 geese; Mrs. Goodacre, 12 books; Mr. Faucett, 50 boxes cough candy; Times, Daily Colonist, part of December; Mrs. A. Kelly, Cariboo, $5; Mrs. R. H. Brown; Mrs. R. H. Brown, $2; Mrs. Van Tassel, box apples; and 3 jars preserves; Mrs. E. B. Kay, 1 box oranges; Mr. C. Lester, 1 sack potatoes; Two Little Friends, 2 games; Miss M. Hutchinson, 4 S. S. papers; Mrs. H. G. Wilson, 2 boxes Japs; Mrs. D. H. Rose, 1 bag candies; Mr. B. Wilson, 2 hams, 7 turkeys; Mrs. McCulloch, 4 books, Mrs. Berridge, books; Misses McCulloch, 4 pairs of gloves; Ladies Committee, cake; Mrs. Church, clothing; Mrs. Richardson, clothing; A Friend, clothing; A Friend, 2 pks. cereal, food; Dorothy, paper bags and cornocopias for the tree.

CONSPIRACY AGAINST WHITE OFFICERS

Negro Soldiers Are Suspected of Intention to Kill Several

El Reno, Okla., Jan. 8.—Belief of the army officers at Fort Reno that a conspiracy to murder every white officer at Fort Reno, beginning with Captain Edgar A. MacLin, against whom it is said many negro soldiers at the post entertain a grudge as a result of the Brownsville, Texas trouble and the discharge of the negro soldiers that followed, became known today as a result of the preliminary hearing in the case of Edward L. Knowles, corporal of company A, 15th Infantry, who was held on a charge of assault with intent to kill Capt. MacLin on the night of Dec. 21. Knowles was bound over to await the action of the county grand jury at the opening term of court. All of the officers now go about armed and protected throughout the night.

Every effort has been made to keep the alleged conspiracy secret, but it is learned that an investigation is now being conducted at several army posts and important plots throughout the country, and within a short time several arrests of the members of the troops recently discharged without honor are expected to follow.

Information was received here tonight that the arrest of a negro soldier was made at La Junta, Colo., today. Suspicion rests upon negro soldiers at Fort Niobrara, Neb., and at three other points.

A HEAVY TRANSACTION

New York, Jan. 8.—A syndicate composed of J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of this city; Kidder, Peabody & Co., of Boston; and Baring Bros. and J. S. Morgan & Co., of London, has purchased $25,000,000 three year 5 per cent notes of the American Telephone & Telegraph company. The notes are dated Jan. 1, 1907, and all have been sold, European investors having taken a large share.

FOR THE ORPHANS

Donation of $100 From Gentleman on Attaining His 80th Birthday

The president of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home thankfully acknowledges receipt of the following:

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 8, 1907.

Dear Sir,—Please accept the enclosed $100 for the use of the orphanage, as a little offering on reaching my eighthieth year.

W. M.

The Honorary Treasurer also acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a donation from the Shipwrights' Union, amounting to $12.

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRMS

Ranks of Local Dealers Augmented by Three Concerns

Yesterday a new financial and real estate business was opened by Messrs. Knott & Reid at 32 Yates street, the premises recently occupied by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company. H. J. Knott has held the position of president of the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company, and has been associated with it from the time of its inception. His wide sphere of travel, which includes the greater part of the United States and Canada, and his acquaintance with the conditions prevailing there, is expected to serve him in good stead in his new undertaking. D. C. Reid came from Nova Scotia, and has for a considerable time been engaged in business in Montreal and afterwards at Winnipeg. From the latter place he came to Victoria, where since his arrival he has occupied the post of secretary of the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company.

Messrs. Fullerton & McPherson have acquired the Old Post Office cigar stand, on Government street, and in conjunction with the tobacco business will conduct a real estate department.

The Hugo Ross Realty Company have opened up offices in the Promis block. The branch here will be incorporated with that at Winnipeg, and the total capital subscribed is $100,000.

NAMES OF VOTERS WHO ARE REINSTATED

Effect Given Yesterday to a Recent Decision by the Chief Justice

As a result of the decision of his lordship the chief justice in regard to the action of the court of revision in striking names from the Municipal Voters' list, ninety-five of the cancelled names were ordered to be returned to the list yesterday.

His Lordship made his decision at the sitting of the supreme court on Monday, and steps were immediately taken to have a list of the names of those affected by the decision prepared. The list comprised some one hundred and fifty names, and was submitted to the court yesterday morning. According to the decision all those who had paid taxes to the amount of $2 before Oct. 31 were to be allowed to remain on the list. Those whose names have been restored to the list and who are now accordingly entitled to vote at the coming elections are as follows:

W. E. Deveneux, Job Foster, John A. Davies, B. H. Anderson, J. W. Ambery, James Hogg, W. Patterson, A. H. Baynton, J. H. Gosnell, W. B. Shakespeare, P. G. Noot, E. R. Steven, W. J. Rowe, A. Osborne, S. H. Stanley, J. Morgan, T. C. Meade, H. Rudge, H. Campbell, G. C. McKill, F. H. Smith, A. Westendale, A. D. Bancroft, H. Fairfull, J. Musgrave, J. B. McCallum, J. Rithet, J. A. Bennett, A. G. Moody, R. Finlayson, J. J. Shallcross, F. C. Fletcher, T. L. Beaven, R. W. Eullen, J. R. S. Williams, A. Tripp, R. Jameson, J. H. Johnstone, T. W. Stevenson, W. C. Bryant, John Young, A. Genn, E. A. Ferguson, R. E. Bittancourt, E. S. Rowe, F. R. Fleming, E. S. Easton, H. Ball, F. Higgins, W. D. McKilligan, E. Proctor, E. Andernach, W. R. Wilson, J. Teague, G. T. Fox, R. Eccles, A. H. Hantley, T. Renfrew, T. L. Wolfenden, W. R. Jackson, M. Thienison, D. Leeming, E. J. Blacquiere, O. T. Goldsmith, R. Livingstone F. S. Futcher, H. A. Pudge, T. Garvin, H. A. Frederick, H. Atkinson, Miss M. E. Power, H. F. Shade, J. D. McNiven, T. Alexander, D. J. Mason, C. H. Merkeley, W. E. Keown, C. W. Rowbottom, H. L. Calnent, R. H. Williams, Miss F. M. Dumbleton, Miss E. Shade, Rev. W. L. Clay, J. J. Jackson, R. L. Butler, E. M. Murray, Miss E. Lawson, W. Ridgeway Wilson, J. Casey, T. Kipling, J. Patterson, C. H. Lugrin, D. Campbell, C. W. Roberts and Mrs. J. E. Humphreys.

FATAL STRIKE RIOT

Eureka, Cal., Jan. 8.—In a battle between union and non-union longshoremen tonight one non-union man was killed and one non-union and one union man probably fataly shot.

FRANCE'S NEW COINS

Paris, Jan. 8.—Finance Minister Caillaux has directed the authorities of the mint to substitute on all old coins, the words, "Liberty, Equality and fraternity," for the old device "God protect France." In accordance with the amendment to the budget appropriation forming a coin which was adopted by the chamber of deputies.

ONTARIO MAYORS

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Mayors were elected in various Ontario cities yesterday as follows: Ottawa, Darcy Scott; Kingston, Mr. Mowat; Chatham, William Stone; Stratford, William Gordon; Gananoque, Dr. McCammon; St. Thomas, J. Lawrence; Uxbridge, M. P. Crosby; Gravenhurst, F. Slater; Collingwood, D. Wilson; Napanee, H. Merry; Ingersoll, Dr. Coleridge; Alliston, W. G. Fisher; Parry Sound, J. A. Johnson; Deseronto, Dr. Newton; Welland, J. H. Crow; Bracebridge, S. H. Armstrong; Oakville, John Kilby; Kincardine, W. G. Temple; Sarnia, G. A. Proctor; Smith's Falls, J. B. Lytle; Waterloo, Ed F. Seagram; Sault Ste. Marie, J. H. Gimby; Campbellford, W. J. Doxsie; Goderich, Joseph Elliott; Midland, W. Findlayson; London, J. C. Judd; Owen Sound, M. Kennedy; Barrie, J. H. Bennett; Peterboro, R. F. McWilliams; Fort Francis, Herb Williams; Kenora, Charles Belcea; Brantford, Ald. Bowlby; Brockville, J. N. Fulford; Stratford, N. Gordon; Guelph, John Newstead; Woodstock, Mayor Butler; Windsor, E. Wigle; Port Arthur, Mayor Charet; Hamilton, Ald. Stewart.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS

In October last the board of public school trustees decided to make a trial of the school savings bank system which has become so common in the east. Arrangements were concluded with the local branch of the Bank of British North America, and an experiment was made with a certain number of grades in the larger schools. The result has been so satisfactory that it is now the intention of the trustees to extend the system to all but the primer classes. The importance of teaching the lesson of thrift to boys and girls early in life can hardly be exaggerated.

The habit of saving is best acquired in youth and once it becomes established it constitutes a strong safeguard against manyan imprudence to which young men and women starting life on their own account are liable. In Toronto the system has found such favor that the children are now depositing $1,000 a week and it is hoped that with the encouragement of parents and teachers a proportionate measure of success will attend the movement here.

WINTRY WEATHER

Wintry weather prevails on the lower mainland according to the reports brought in by recent arrivals in the city. "The thermometer showed only eight degrees above zero at Ladner on Sunday morning" said M. J. Brandrith who arrived in the city yesterday morning. "At Central park there is a foot of snow, while New Westminster has six inches, and there is splendid sleighing in the streets. At Vancouver there are also several inches of snow."

"Traffic on the Fraser" continued Mr. Brandrith "has been almost entirely tied up by the ice. The freighter Lapwing is ice bound off Port Guichon, and the Transfer, the C. P. R. passenger boat between Ladner and New Westminster, has been forced to tie up at New Westminster. The Sonoma, which plies between Ladner and Steveston is frozen fast upon a sand bar. Above New Westminster it is even worse. People are walking across the Fraser at Langley, while communication by river between Chilliwack and other up-river ports and New Westminster, is totally cut off."

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