

"ON TO SOOKE LAKE!"
DECLARES MAYOR HALL

Resolution Posted for Another Water By-Law---
Interviews With His Worship, Ald. Henderson
and Theodore Lubbe of Esquimalt Co.

(From Friday's Daily.)
I hereby give notice that I shall recommend to the council that at its next meeting the following resolution be passed: "Whereas the Water Loan Guarantee By-law to authorize the expropriation of the undertaking of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, and the raising of the necessary funds to pay the purchase or expropriation price, and the cost of conducting the water into the city, was submitted to the electors for their assent on the 28th inst., but failed to receive a majority vote; "And whereas the need for increase in the water supply of the city is urgent; "Therefore be it resolved that the city solicitor be instructed to prepare a by-law to provide for the raising of the necessary money to bring the water into the city from Sooke Lake for submission to the electors at an early date."

(Signed) LEWIS HALL, Mayor.
The above resolution was posted at the city hall early this morning, and will be presented at the meeting of the council on Monday evening next. Mayor Hall in making such a recommendation is of the opinion that he is pursuing the only course left open to the city in an attempt to solve the water problem in view of the fact that the ratepayers on the by-law which was voted on yesterday.

His Worship, in an interview with the Times this morning, said: "We must now go to Sooke. There is but one other alternative, and that is buying water by the gallon from the Esquimalt Waterworks Co., a course which the people will not approve of except as a last resort. "I shall urge upon the council on Monday evening that the by-law empowering the city to go to Sooke be presented to the council on Tuesday afternoon next, and that it be passed at that time. A period of thirty days will then have to elapse so as to enable any objections being taken to the by-law, and thus after a period of sixty days it would be possible to commence actual work on the Sooke Lake enterprise. "Some people are of the opinion that the ratepayers have already authorized the council to go to Sooke. This is hardly the case. A referendum vote was taken in January, 1900, on the question 'shall the city secure Sooke lake as an additional source of water supply,' and the decision was in the affirmative. "It has been estimated by Arthur L. Adams, the expert who has been advising the city in respect to the improvement of its water supply, that it will take five years to lay the pipe line to Sooke. There will be a great amount of tunnelling. I do not believe the ratepayers would ever consent to laying the pipe line without tunnelling. The distance, following the best route, was determined upon, would be 28 miles. "I fear that we shall be requiring an additional water supply long before the Sooke lake enterprise can be completed."

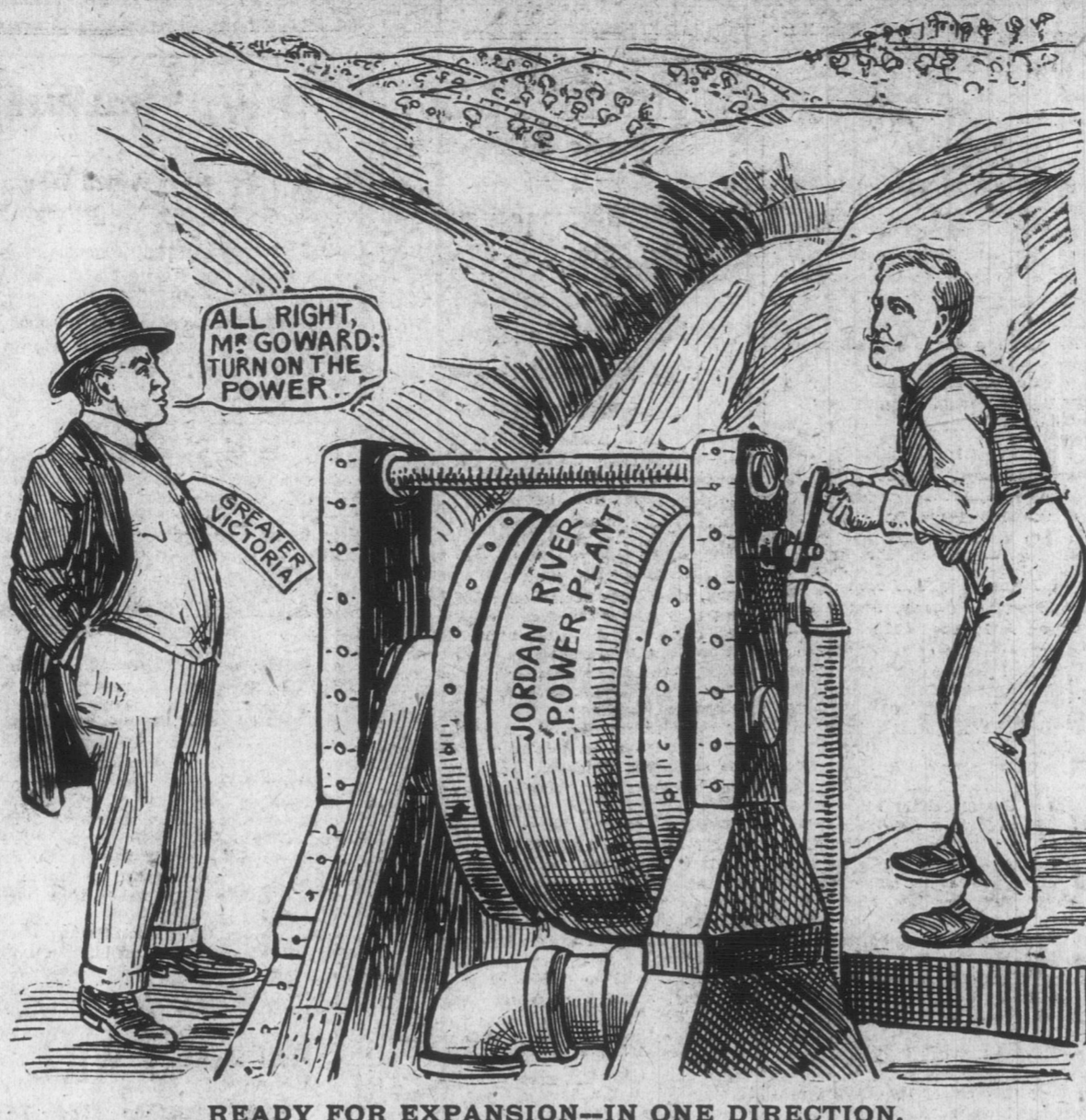
Mr. Lubbe interviewed.
Theodore Lubbe, manager of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, was interviewed by a Times representative this morning. Mr. Lubbe was in cheerful spirits, and made the following important announcement that his company would not be taking any more orders for water works. He said that the company was doing business on a contract basis, and that the city of Victoria had been the only customer. He said that the company was doing business on a contract basis, and that the city of Victoria had been the only customer.

many would in a few days consider tenders for the entire pipe line from Goudstream to the boundaries of the city, and within one year would be in a position to supply the city of Victoria with 15 million gallons of water per day. "That Victoria will shortly be entering into a contract with his company for water was apparently the opinion of Mr. Lubbe, as he considers the plan to tunnel for a pipe line to Sooke to be quite impracticable. In the connection he pointed out that such work would drain the lakes at the company's properties at Goudstream, which the company would take good care not to happen. As far as laying pipes without tunnelling was concerned, it might be done. That was for the citizens to say. "Ald. Henderson interviewed. Replying to the query, "What next?" put by the Times this morning, Alderman Henderson, who led the opposition to the water by-law defeated yesterday, said: "I have just seen the resolution which the mayor will move on Monday evening next. I am, of course, in accord with the spirit of it, as I favor going to Sooke Lake, and have always done so. "But I think that the first step now should be the summoning of a special meeting of the council to consider the situation arising out of the defeat of the by-law and the outlining of a plan of action under the circumstances. "We should, I think, ask the ratepayers to sanction a loan of say \$150,000, for the purpose of allowing the council to get absolute control of Sooke Lake as a source of water supply. This amount would allow us to purchase all rights of way and protect the same and clear away all encumbrances in connection with the taking over of the property. "When this had been done I would favor securing the services of the most competent engineer obtainable to advise the council in respect to its general plans for the bringing of the water into the city. "Personally, I am of the opinion that three methods are open to the city in respect to transmission methods. There is that of tunnelling, which is a matter for further investigation; second, there is that of an ordinary pipe line, and, third, the open ditch plan. The steamer arrived early yesterday morning from Port Essington. The draft was discovered before the ship reached the harbor and all of the passengers were searched before they were permitted to go ashore. The search of the crew and quarters revealed \$5,000 in currency stuffed in a mattress in the steward's room. Various other amounts were found hidden amongst the cargo in old cans and cuspids. A loaf of bread thrown from a galley was picked up floating in the water and was found to contain \$2,000. All of the money except \$2,500 has now been recovered. According to the authorities, one of the waters has confessed to breaking open the strong box and the alleged confession implicates several of the crew, including even the Chinese 'cooks.' The money was being shipped to the different canneries on the Naas river and was to pay the wages of the employees for the fishing season just ended."

daughter of E. Roberts, one of the best knownattle men in New Mexico.
PROPOSED NEW FIRE REGULATIONS
Vernon Board of Trade Will Present Recommendations to Council.
Vernon, Aug. 26.—At a meeting of the Vernon board of trade G. S. McKenzie, in view of the recent fire disaster, submitted the following recommendations to be laid before the city council: "That red lights be placed above every fire alarm box, and kept burning all night. "That the night watchman to carry a watchman's clock, and report regularly during night at stations in different parts of the city, reports to be kept in book at city office. "That every hotel and boarding house in the city, with accommodation for thirty guests or over, to keep a night clerk, and that it be the duty of the night policeman to see that such men are on duty. "That proper fire escapes be placed on all hotels and boarding houses, and that red lights be placed in corridors where such escapes are situated; and that each bedroom be provided with proper lights during the whole of the night. "That ropes sufficiently strong be placed in every bedroom, above the ground floor, properly fastened, and long enough to reach the ground. "At the suggestion of W. R. Megaw a section was added asking that each fire alarm be provided with an alarm capable of being sounded from the office, to arouse guests in case of fire. These recommendations were carried unanimously by the board.

AIRSHIP FLIGHT.
Toronto, Aug. 27.—Foster Willard, who is to fly to Chicago, was accompanied in an airship, has arrived here and expects to be ready to test his airship on Saturday evening.
RECORD PRICE FOR HAY.
London, Ont., Aug. 27.—Hay reached \$18 a ton on the market yesterday morning, and thereby established a local record for this year. The pasture throughout the country is burned up, and farmers are in many cases even now feeding their stock.

LARNED RETAINS TITLE.
Newport, R. I., Aug. 27.—Wm. Larned to-day successfully defended his title as national tennis champion by defeating Clothier three out of five sets. The results of the sets were as follows: 6-1, 6-2, 5-7, 1-6, 6-1.



READY FOR EXPANSION—IN ONE DIRECTION.

STRONG BOX ON ST. DENIS LOOTED
SEVEN MEMBERS OF CREW UNDER ARREST
Package Containing \$25,000 Stolen—Nearly All Money Recovered.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Prince Rupert, B. C., Aug. 27.—Seven members of the crew of the steamer St. Denis are in jail here to-day, awaiting trial on the charge of having broken into the strong box of the steamer and stolen a package containing \$25,000. The steamer arrived early yesterday morning from Port Essington. The draft was discovered before the ship reached the harbor and all of the passengers were searched before they were permitted to go ashore. The search of the crew and quarters revealed \$5,000 in currency stuffed in a mattress in the steward's room. Various other amounts were found hidden amongst the cargo in old cans and cuspids. A loaf of bread thrown from a galley was picked up floating in the water and was found to contain \$2,000. All of the money except \$2,500 has now been recovered. According to the authorities, one of the waters has confessed to breaking open the strong box and the alleged confession implicates several of the crew, including even the Chinese 'cooks.' The money was being shipped to the different canneries on the Naas river and was to pay the wages of the employees for the fishing season just ended."

AWAITING REPORT ON DEFENCE CONFERENCE
Sir Wilfrid Laurier Has Nothing to Add to Asquith's Statement.
(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, when asked as to Premier Asquith's statement of Canada's share in the naval defence programme, said that the Canadian government was still awaiting report from Sir Frederick Borden and Hon. Le B. Brodeur, who represent Canada at the defence conference, and until that had been received he had nothing to add to the announcement made by Premier Asquith in London.

GUARDS SURROUND HARRIMAN'S HOME
BAR APPROACH OF ALL STRANGERS
Railway Wizard is Not Allowed to Go Out Into Open Air.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Toronto, N. P., Aug. 27.—E. H. Harriman, the railroad king, is being more closely guarded than is the 'Czar of Russia.' Armed guards to-day are patrolling the mountains in the vicinity of Arden with implicit instructions not to allow anyone to approach within three miles of the Harriman place, unless he be a member of the family, a business associate or one of the physicians. These are Harriman's orders, and they are being carried out to the letter. It was positively learned that the wizard had not walked a hundred steps since his return to Arden, and the members of his family are alarmed at his condition. When he is not asleep Harriman is wheeled about in an invalid's chair. But he sleeps a great deal. He is not even allowed to go out into the open air. He had his first experience yesterday in the open air since his return to his summer home, when he ordered one of his nurses to wheel him out into the sunshine. Even then he went no further than the veranda of his home. Shortly afterward Dr. Lyle, the personal physician of the wizard, came upon the scene and found Harriman asking in the sunshine. He was furious and ordered that the wizard be carried indoors at once. Then he gathered the Harriman attendants around him and threatened to dismiss the next day if they wheeled the railroad king outside of the sick room. To-day several reporters cornered Dr. Lyle, who made a flying trip to Arden last night as he was nearing Toronto. "Did you go to Arden to arrange for an operation upon Harriman?" he was asked. "It is no one's business but my own why I went to Arden," was the reply. He refused to say anything further. Harriman is furious at the reports that have been sent out regarding his illness. To-day he instructed the Erie operator not to send out any more press matter concerning his illness or any member of his family. The telephone operators at Toronto also have been instructed not to connect any outsiders with the Harriman castle. And they are carrying out these instructions to the very letter. Shortly after noon to-day two loads of chemically pure oxygen were unloaded at Arden. E. H. Harriman's country seat, from a special train and placed in one of Harriman's automobiles. The chauffeur drove full speed to the house with his load. MORE HARVESTERS NEEDED.
Winnipeg, Aug. 27.—Provincial Immigration Agent Burke yesterday announced that conditions are improving through the wheat fields of Manitoba, but more men are needed. The G.T.P. told him that the company would make a one-cent rate for all harvesters on their lines.

ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP CONTINUES FLIGHT
Travels One Hundred and Thirty Miles in Five and Half Hours.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Stuttgart, Germany, Aug. 27.—Count Zeppelin's dirigible, "Zeppelin III," which passed over Stuttgart at 10 o'clock this morning, cruising from Friedrichshafen to Berlin, had made 120 miles in five and one half hours. Engineer Durr dropped a message in which he said that he expected to arrive with the ship at Bitterfeld to-night. Bitterfeld is 220 miles from this city. At that place it is expected that Count Zeppelin will board the aerostat and make a triumphal entry into Berlin to-morrow. Owing to illness the count preceded the airship to Bitterfeld, as he did not feel as though he would be able to stand the journey and out of more ballast and repair the propeller, which broke. It took two hours to make the repairs and secure the ballast, after which the voyage was resumed toward Berlin.

HEAT CAUSES HEAVY LOSS TO FARMERS
Recent Wave in Nebraska Responsible for Short Corn Crop.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Omaha, Aug. 27.—Thirteen million dollars will be lost to the farmers of Nebraska because of the heat wave that visited the state last week. Conservative estimates of the corn crop of Nebraska for this year are placed at \$5 per cent of the average yield. The average corn crop is valued at \$86,000,000, but it is believed that this year's yield will amount to more than \$72,000,000. The farmers are attributing the unusual hot weather of this summer as being responsible for the short crop.

AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO.
Washington, D. C., Aug. 27.—The selection of Henry Lane Wilson as ambassador to Mexico is looked upon as probable in diplomatic circles here to-day. Wilson for several years has been United States minister to Belgium. Wilson is a brother of John L. Wilson, of Seattle, formerly United States senator from Washington.

POWER "AYE" WATER "NO"
RATEPAYERS' VERDICT ON TWO BY-LAWS

Turn Down Proposal to Expropriate Goldstream and Favor Electric Agreement.

Table showing results of an election on two by-laws. The first by-law (Electric by-law) was rejected with a majority of 104 against it. The second by-law (Water by-law) was also rejected with a majority of 104 against it.

As a result of the judgment of the ratepayers of Victoria yesterday an agreement between the corporation and the B. C. Electric Railway Company is endorsed and the by-law empowering the city to expropriate the holdings of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company at Goldstream is defeated. The consensus of opinion is that Victoria is to be congratulated on the result of the voting on the electric by-law, and that the problem of the future water supply of Victoria is now more complicated than ever in consequence of the decision of the ratepayers against the proposal to expropriate Goldstream. Rarely has the city been so wrought up over a municipal project as was the case during the progress of the balloting yesterday. All day the polling booth at the old fire hall on Pandora street was surrounded by excited crowds engaged in eagerly debating the probable fate of the two by-laws, and on the street corners of the downtown section little knots of people were to be seen in similar discussion. As there were nearly 5,000 property owners on the list who were entitled to vote, the fact that nearly half of them cast ballots constitutes a record for interest in by-laws in Victoria. Arrangements at the polling booth were excellent, thanks to the foresight of Wm. W. Northcote, who makes an ideal returning officer. Voting was comparatively slow during the morning, only some 700 ballots having been cast up to noon, but in the afternoon and, indeed, until the polls closed at 7 o'clock there was a constant stream of people to the booth, and the attendants were kept busy. Indicating the intense interest shown in the fate of the two by-laws a big crowd of people assembled outside the hall when the polls were closed, and there they remained until the final announcement was made. Crowds also assembled in front of the newspaper offices on Broad street where bulletins giving the progress of the count were posted. The telephone in the Times office was kept busy all evening by the constant requests to know how the voting was going. That the ladies were equally interested with the men was shown by the fact that nearly half the inquiries were from ladies. There was great satisfaction on all sides when it became known that the electric by-law had carried, though the crowds received with mixed feelings the announcement of the defeat of the water by-law. Mayor Hall was much disappointed over the outcome in respect to the water measure. Interviewed after the result had been made known, his worship expressed the opinion that the verdict of the ratepayers was mainly based on prejudice against the Esquimalt Waterworks Company and an inability or indisposition to grasp the essential points in favor of the expropriation of Goldstream. His worship was also of opinion that the reports which had been circulated in respect to the condition of the Smith's Hill reservoir had had a bad effect on the public mind. This mayor was personally of opinion that the reports were in the main unwarranted. There was great rejoicing at the rooms of the citizens' committee when the success of the electric by-law became known. Dozens of enthusiastic workers cheered the result and Simon Leiser, president of the board of trade, who was indefatigable in his efforts on behalf of the agreement, declared amidst applause: "The board of trade said they would carry that by-law and have done so." A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, was naturally highly elated, and in an interview he ventured the prediction that in November, 1910, his company would have power from Jordan river. The agreement would proceed with all haste to the consummation of the huge project which had been promised the ratepayers. Though under the agreement the company has three years in which to complete the work, it would be taken in hand immediately and pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. As announced in the Times yesterday, Wm. Meredith, the eminent electrical engineer, will have charge of the installation of the immense power plant. It is the opinion of E. McGaffey, of the Vancouver Island Development League, that the ratification of the agreement with the electric company will prove one of the greatest factors in the campaign of publicity for the upbuilding of Victoria and the development of the island. He anticipated immediate results from the passage of the by-law, as the league was in receipt of many enquiries respecting facilities for manufacturing plants, and as ample power was now assured for the future, the league will be able to send satisfactory replies.

TWO DROWNED ON WEST COAST
LINEMAN AND HIS COMPANION VICTIMS

C. T. A. Geggell and Gus Swanson Lose Their Lives in the Boiling Surf.

(From Friday's Daily.)
Plunged into the boiling surf which during this season of the year beats with fury along the rock-ribbed shore of the west coast of Vancouver Island, two men, C. T. A. Geggell, lineman in the employ of the Dominion government, and Gus Swanson, his chance companion, lost their lives shortly after noon yesterday at a point between Sooke and Jordan river when attempting to make a landing from the frail craft in which they were journeying. The bodies have not yet been recovered, although the provincial police are patrolling the shore line. Mr. Geggell, a Scotsman, aged 22, a most estimable young man, who has been in the employ of the government in the capacity of lineman for about two years, with headquarters at Jordan river, had been in Victoria on a holiday trip, and was returning to the west coast to resume his duties. He took the stage to Sooke from this city on Wednesday, and was to go from there to Jordan river. When at Sooke he fell in with Swanson, who was for a time assistant to Mr. Rucker, who has charge of the fish traps at Sooke, and the latter, who was looking for employment, planned to accompany him in the boat. The two men left Sooke shortly before noon, and, soon afterwards a heavy sea began running, making their trip a hazardous one. They apparently became alarmed at the possibility of an accident and attempted to make shore, which venture cost them their lives. Mr. McNair, a lineman temporarily in the employ of the government, happened to be standing on the shore and he was an eye-witness of this latest tragedy of the dreaded waters of the west coast. McNair espied the boat long before the landing was attempted and noted that she was wallowing in a heavy sea. As the frail craft ran for the shore line, where in calmer waters there would have been no difficulty in making a landing, she was caught in the breakers and buried upon the rocks, hopelessly shattered, and her occupants plunged into the roaring surf. McNair could extend no aid to the struggling men, as there was no access to the beach from this point. He summoned aid as quickly as possible from nearby points, but the men must have succumbed almost immediately, as on returning to the scene only a quantity of luggage was found on the shore line. Both men are said to have been unable to swim. The provincial police authorities have a squad of men at the scene of the drowning in the hope of recovering the bodies.

PREPARING FOR ANNUAL EXHIBITION
Large Entry List Expected at Salt Spring Island Show

(Special Correspondence.)
Ganges, Aug. 26.—W. M. Mount, the secretary of the Agricultural Association, is getting things into shape for the forthcoming exhibition, which promises to surpass any of its predecessors. He anticipates keen competition in all classes, along with commendable exhibits from the adjacent islands. B. Lundy left here on Tuesday, bound on his way to Ireland, where he will renew old friendships. Miss Spalding, of Pender Island, is here visiting her friend, Miss M. Scott. Miss Robertson has arrived here from Victoria to take charge of the Ganges public school. Mrs. C. Jenkins and family, of Victoria West, have arrived here and are guests at Stevens' hotel. Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Wilson left last week on a honeymoon trip to the Orient.

QUEEN OF CHEHALIS INDIANS DEAD
Passed Away at Royal City—Said to Have Been 132 Years Old.

New Westminister, Aug. 26.—The queen of the Chehalis Indians, Jeannie, as she has been known to the white people, died yesterday on the Indian reservation in the West End at the residence of her niece, Mrs. Vianen. She had been ill for some days, and came to the coast to die. Her reputed age was 132 years, which would make her 37 when Simon Fraser passed down the river where Westminister now stands. Her niece, now 70 years of age herself, years ago married Wm. Vianen, better known as Dutch Bill, the oldest white fisherman on the Fraser river. Fifty years ago Dutch Bill, then in the prime of his manhood, league with the Indian chief, Fraser. His death occurred about three years ago.

CHINESE LOAN.
St. Petersburg, Aug. 27.—Russia has dropped out definitely from the competition for a share in the Hankow-Ze Cheun railroad loan of \$30,000,000, but she has been given assurance at Peking that she will have a portion of the next loan for railroad construction made by China.

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T. FRANCIS
Made to for Large

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LAUNCH AND FERRY COLLIDE AT SEATTLE
Four Persons Are Injured and Several Have Narrow Escape.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 27.—An official investigation is in progress to-day to determine the responsibility for the collision between a steam launch from the United States cruiser Colorado and the ferry boat West Seattle in Elliott Bay last evening, which resulted in the damaging of both vessels and the injury to four persons, besides imperiling the lives of several others.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.
Carlsbad, N. M., Aug. 27.—Jealousy and domestic infelicity are believed to have been the causes of a murder and suicide committed by Ed. Moreland, whose dead body, with that of his wife, were found in their home early to-day. Moreland, who was a barber, was known to have gone to his home late in the evening. The bodies of the man and his wife were found by a neighbor who stopped at the house on his way to work. Mrs. Moreland was a