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### STRAIGHTENING **CITY STREETS**

#### PECULIAR SITUATION IN VICTORIA WEST

The Lots Present a Peculiar Confusion and a Solution is Needed.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The arbitration which is now proceedstreet lines and boundaries in that dis-trict will pave the way to general imthereby raising the assessable value of all improved and unimproved property to a considerable degree. The district has since its incorporation by the city, Q and R as, the two divisions being opfilled up at a rate thoroughly in keep- posite, they reduce the width of Cathering with its many natural advantages ine street, originally placed at 66 feet as a residential locality, and there is no

arbitrator is completed no permanent sidewalks or other street improvements can be carried out in consequence of the vagaries of the lines laid down by the surveyors who sub-divided the twenty-four blocks in the district. When the municipal authorities decided to take the matter up and an act was passed to the city to make this payment before the adjustment of the attreet lines and by the legislature authorizing a settle-ment of the matter by arbitration it lot boundaries was made. was decided by the city council that, as It is anticipated that the test case the encroachments on the street lines secure a basis for compensation which of the Ralph map made in 1893 were is to be submitted by the arbitrator, also encroachments upon the origisal Jeremiah Nagel street lines, as shown in the latter's map, and as the devia-tion will also be placed before the judge tions from both maps were, in all prob-ability, made bona fide under the ad-both cases is received no further sitvice of private surveyors, the property-owners should bear the cost of the ad-yesterday's sitting the only evidence justment, the city contributing any pro-portion of the cost which it was thought that the residents, in general, should pay. By this plan it is intended to distribute the cost of the whole compensation equally over the district as it is considered that every property-hold-er will receive equal benefits by the

As previously reported in the Times a case will be stated to the judge to de-olde whether compensation for either land or improvements is equitably payable to those whose property unwittingy encroaches upon the streets. An im pression prevails in some quarters that there is a general feeling of discontent among residents of the locality over the arbitration, and that they believe that the city's action is a hold-up. The progress of the arbitration has not shown that this is the case, however. Considerable mystery seems to exist as to what the effect of the arbitration will Points Out That Judicial Strength of be. The majority of the property-hold-ers are well aware that the eventual effect of the straightening up of the street lines will be removal of co usion now prevailing among them and the improvement of the whole district The history of the district dates back o 1858, when John Russell purchased ction 31, Esquimalt district, from the Hudson's Bay Company. The section and the southern boundary is the sea. bench: A short time after purchasing the land, "There holding into 24 blocks. Later the west necessitate judicial notice. necessitate judicial notice. "The first is that 'there are three "The first is that 'there are three Victoria where, according to

tended, a change from the Nagel map. In fact, it is nothing more than a valid-'From the present difficulty it would'

felt among the majority of those interfelt among the majority of those inter-ested that a comparatively small mat-ter like this should not hold back the rogress of the whole community. To give an idea of the variations in boundaries now being defined, the fol-lowing facts were secured by a Times ter from an examination of plans and documents showing the lines in need of adjustment. In block F the lots encroach eleven feet upon Frederick street at the north and over 30 feet upon Catherine street at the south. In this case it has been a mystery to corporation officials to find out where the surveys for the blocks were commenced from. The damage was done before Victoria West came under the contro taken from the west side of Russell street where Mr. Russell conceded 15 feet to the thoroughfare there is a considerable encroachment on the part of each block and the western street lines are a like distance out of plumb. In block D the lots on the west side ention, thereby throwing several blocks 15 feet to the westward of their proper boundaries. The most serious encroach-mests of all are those made by blocks by 30 feet.

# **ISSUES STATEMENT**

**REPLYING TO CRITICISM IN VANCOUVER PAPER** 

### Supreme Court Remains.

as in 1888.

Vancouver, July 19 .- The News-Ad- of all the most eminent vertiser yesterday contained an edi- thorities on this continent. s bounded upon the east side by the indian reserve, and upon the west side Chief Justice Hunter to-day sent the lian reserve, and upon the west side Chief Justice Hunter to-day sent the ernment as a member of the council of boundary at the porth runs from the latter street to a point on the harbor, by Mr. Justice Clement from the

"There are two statements made in Mr. Russell disposed of half of it to Jeremiah Nagel, who sub-divided his ing paper of yesterday which I think

feet from east to west, and he sub-divided it into three blocks of 240 feet, business to transact, except the hearallowing 33 feet for what is now Russell ing of a few applications in Chambers on the west of block B, 60 feet which could easily be disposed of by for Mary street, west of block W, 60 feet for Catherine street, west of block three or four days a week.' This is in-X, and 60 feet alongside the reserve, correct, the fact being that the regular which was intended by Mr. Nagel for a July sittings in Victora commenced on road, but which was afterwards sold in the same day as in Vancouver and are adjoining blocks. The widths of not yet concluded, both sittings being the streets and blocks were uniform throughout the whole subdivision and the depths of the lots, although vary-ing, were also shown on the map. When the survey was made by Mr. Nagel it was commenced at the western boun-dary where the section bordered upon iness which has accumulated here.' Mr. Russell's property and the map was filed showing a straight line be-tween the two properties. Later, how-ever, Mr. Russell gave 15 feet of his land to Russell street neet the southern land to Russell street near the southern list, which I knew to be a long one end of the section, thus throwing the western line on that street out of plumb and the private surveyors who laid out other judge available, and finding that blocks and lots between that time and he was engaged in preparing his judg-1893, when the Ralph survey was made, ment in an appeal of first importance, managed to get completely at sea over locating the true line. The consequence 19th and which came to a final hearing and sevens, and that the street lines last April, and which is pressing for final disposition, I came to the convere defined in every conceivable di- clusion that it would not be right in ection. The Ralph survey is not, it is con-

tion of the latter survey conforming seem opportune to draw public attenin every particular to the lines and boundaries defined by Mr. Nagel. Since strength of the Supreme court remains 1903 all buildings have been erected and the same to-day that it was in 1888. operty transfers made according In that year there were 40 practicing the Ralph map, and the only en- barristers in the province; to-day there troachments on the true street lines are 260. Since that time the strength which need adjustment are four build- of the County court has been inings which stand out upon the streets, creased from four judges to eleven. At two of them being very old, and about that time Nelson, Rossland, Fernie,

erson of Mgr. O'Connell. FARM AT CRYSTAL CITY COTTON THREAD. Price Will Be Advanced to Ten Cents of the city and chronology upon the matter is sadly lacking. In all the lots New York, July 19.—Cotton thread, until a short time ago, the most staple Manitoba Has Decided to Rein price of all the staples, selling the country over for five cents a spool, is to be advanced again so that the retire From Politics. tail price will be ten cents. On May 29th, there was an advance which Winnipeg, July 19 .- It is reported that croach several feet upon the street. In this case the surveyor most likely be-came confused over the 15 feet conced-bis extensive farm at Crystal City, will the contemplated increase in price. Independent manufacturers declare The arbitration which is the validation ing in connection with the validation of the Ralph map in Victoria West, is as his basis for the man. On the other that neither of the reasons is good ones | at death. awakening much interest throughout the city, inasmuch as the adjustment of the city, inasmuch as the adjustment of the city, inasmuch as the adjustment of triot will pave the way to general im-provement upon the frontage tax plan, thereby raising the assessable value of the network of the sec-tion, thereby throwing several blocks was formerly premier of Manitoba. THE NORTHWEST URGES CONCERTED ACTION. R. P. Perks Submits Proposal at Annua Conference of Wesleyan Adherents. ing with its many hatting advantages as a residential locality, and there is no doubt that it will very soon constitute one of the most important if not the most important suburb which Victoria possesses. The majority of the property-owners living in the district have long since re-alized these facts and have petitioned each successive city council for several years past to take definite steps toward the straightening of the street lines in order to allow of the local improvement system being applied to them. Until the present work of adjustment by the arbitrator is completed no permanent sidewalks or other street improvements London, July 19 .- At the annual confet SERGT. RICHARDSON'S British Columbia Team Second in Calgary City Match--A Calgary, Alberta, July 18.-Staff won the championship of the North-

WILL LIVE HERE

### ASKED TO LECTURE

**Eminent Authority Receives Invitation** to Address Convention of Ameri-

can Fishing Society

(From Friday's Daily.) The Dominion commissioner of fisher ies, Professor E. E. Prince, who is in Victoria presiding over the executive sittings of the British Columbia fisheries commission, received this morning an invitation from the American Fisheries Society to address them on sal-mon hatcheries at their annual confer-ence to be held in Érie, Pennsylvania, from the 23rd to the 25th inst. In conveying the invitation to Prof.

Prince the secretary of the society, Dr. George F. Peabody, points out that every practical and expert fish cultur ist in the United States is being asked to attend, and the presence of the chief fish-culturist and fishery authority in Canada is desired by the whole society. 'Our own government at Washington o highly values the meetings that there are annually sent at governmen expense the scientific and practical officers of the fisheries bureau," writes Dr. Peabody to Professor Prince. Unfortuantely urgent duties in the pro-vince, especially those concerning the commission, will render it impossible for the commissioner of fisheries for ada addressing this great fishery au-

been a director of the International Fisheries Association, being elected at the meeting in Tampa, Florida, in 1897.

others, was brought to the city this orthern waters.

was overhalted. The boat was if the on its side, more than half full of wa-ter. On the bow of the boat was the number F. T. 1487. No information interior of the boat was the number F. T. 1487. No information

Strait between Blenkinsop Bay and Port Neville. It was impossible, owing to the heavy seas running, to put a line aboard the big fishing-boat. Half a dozen Vancouver tugs were held in shelter by the storm raging

Sunday night and Monday. The com-modore, Active, Sea Lion and other ist and lecturer at Owens college, Man-Bjerre, of the Active declares the night

#### SHOT BY POLICEMEN.

Riazan, Russia, July 18.-Peasant dis-orders on the Kholchevnikoff estate re-sulted in a sanguinary conflict with the police. A number of policemen were dfs-patched to the estate on receipt of news

VICTORIA TIMES, TUESDAY, JULY 23, 1907. THE MIKADO AND THE POPE **MURDERED FOR** Emperor of Japan Sends An Auto-. graph Letter to the Pontiff. **INSURANCE MONEY** Rome, July 19.-M. Cuchida, the special Japanese ambassador to the

a Spool.

WINNING AT CALGARY

Good Record.

Capt. Forrest was fifth in the grand

The British Columbia team was sec-

Staff Sergeant Richardson, who has

now carried off the championship of the Northwest, has had an enviable

for the year he attended. Sergeant Richardson has also wor

Liberals.

'London, July 19.-The Socialists have

ist and lecturer at Owens college, Man-

chester, was largely supported by the

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES.

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ond in the city of Calgary match.

west, and also six firsts

aggregate.

#### Vatican, has arrived here bearing an autograph letter from the Emperor of Japan to the Pope. The Emperor ex-tends his thanks to the Pope for having sent a special convoy to him in the FORTUNE TELLER

SENTENCED TO DEATH

#### He Poisoned Adolph Vrzal and Five Children--Mrs. Vrzal Aware of Crime.

a rew weeks of each other that is the cabinet's final representation against the cabinet's final representation against the cabinet's final representation against the cabinet's final representation union, and that if conspiracy evidence for the state was admitted the defence had the right to show a counter con-Investigation showed that Vrzal and the children all suffered from the same complaint before death. Billik was ar-rested on suspicion of having been re-the rester in particulars, and there-

ponsible for the deaths. The day after his arrest Mrs. Vrzal issue. The day after his arrest Mrs. Vrzal committed suicide by taking poison. During the trial testimony was ad-mitted by the state charging Billik with having disposed of Vrzal and his children in order to obtain the life indence showed that she had guilty mony of Orchard himself. knowledge of the murdering of her Senator Borah confined himself knowledge of the murdering of her, husband and children by Billik.

ACTION DISMISSED

Calgary, Alta., July 18 .- In the Supreme court to-day the case against the Canadian Pacific Railway for violation of the Lord's Day Act was dis-missed. The court held that a letter Sergeant Fred. Richardson has from the deputy attorney-general was an action.

#### DR. MONTIZAMBERT IS IN THE CITY

career as a rife shot. He has shot at Bisley, carrying off many prizes and making practically the best aggregate Has Returned From Prince Rupert, Where He Framined Possible Where He Examined Possible Quarantine Sites

(From Friday's Daily.) After inspecting various localities in the neighborhood of Prince Rupert for the possible site of a quarantine sta-tion which will be necessary in the Marti North at some future time, Dr. Montizambert, Dominion director general of public health, accompanied by Dr. Watt, superintendent of the William Head station, returned to Victoria ast evening on board the tender Madge. When asked if his trip result ed in any definite site being chosen, Dr. Montizambert said that it resolved ITS POSSIBILITIES tself into a question as to where the best site would be. During his trip, owever, he examined various sites in the neighborhood of Prince Rupert which he will make his o the Dominion government. He fur her said that it was extremely un- 0. S. Straus Says Tide of Immigraikely that a quarantine station would be necessary in northern waters for some time to come but he had made the trip in view of the possible necessity of the protection of health in those parts and in connection with the rest

of Canada through them, Dr. Montizambert paid a special tribute to the excellent qualities of the litle tender Madge. This was her first port she carried 40 tons of coal in her bunkers and a deck load of 30 tons. In ehaved very well and was a credit to her shipbuilders. She was constructed t 'he yards of the B. C. Marine Railvay Company at Esquimalt.

Dr. Montizambert leaves to-morrow for Ottawa and from there he will proceed on a tour of inspection to the Atlantic coast. Alluding to the lifting of quarantine with respect to incoming assengers from the Sound he said He was offered a place on the Bisley that some time ago Dr. Watt had made a tour of inspection through the affected districts in the states of Washington and Idaho and as a consequence SOCIALIST VICTORY.

of his report, the quarantine had been lifted. TWO BOYS PERISHED.

House Destroyed by Fire and Lads Were Suffocated.

boat had come. The boat was floating in Johnson Strait between Blenkinsop Bay and Port Neville. It was impossible, owing ine aboard the big fighting to put a

other boys, but it was too late, as they were suffocated by the thick smoke which filled the room and were unconscious.

two of them being very old, and about then fences. A very large area at the south of the section is, however, affect-ed by these vagaries as well as the twenty-four blocks lying between the streets running north and south. It is

FISHERMEN DROWNED. STAFF SERGT. RICHARDSON.

lost their lives on Monday morning in what is regarded by steamshipmen as pionship of Ontario and the championthe worst storm they have ever seen ship of his own province of British Coin the northern end of the Gul! of lumbia News of the accident which brought team this year, but too late to permit death to the two fishermen and pernaps of his accepting.

Mr. Murray was on board a tug on

boats were stormbound. Cantain in Johnson Strait was the worst he

Eleven Peasants, Who Were Cutting Grass on Russian Estate, Killed or - Wounded.

Two Lives Lost During Storm in Johnson Straits-Tugboats Tied Up.

Vancouver, July 18 .- Two fishermen Georgia.

morning by Timber Rranger John Mur-ray, who had been on an official cruise Captured Seat in Yorkshire From the Monday morning when a fishing-boat was overhauled. The boat was lying

THE HAYWOOD CASE. Argument of Counsel on Admissabili of Evidence.

Boise, Idaho, July 18.—Argument of the admissability of certain evidence followed the announcement from the defence to-day that it had no fund witnesses to offer in behalf of Wm. D.

Haywood. The jury was not brought in court. FINAL INTERVIEW Judge Wood having been informed by counsel of their decision to rest without offer of sur-rebuttal. Charles Darrow spoke at the morn-ing session and Senator Borah replied

the afternoon, followed by E. F. Richardson. cision to-morrow.

The point argued was the proposal to exclude from the jury's considera-tion the evidence offered by the defence to show that a conspiracy was formed among the mine owners and brought the retail price to 6 and 7 cents. Increased cost of material and advance of wages are the reasons for last night was found guilty of killing of the Western Federation of Miners. Parson Adolph Vrzal and five of his children. The jury fixed the penalty at death. The position taken by the defence was that Harry Orchard was employed by the Mine Owners Association through

fore the evidence merely confused the

surance they carried. Mrs. Vrzal was shown to have been under the influence of Billik, whom she loved, and the evi-

largely to the legality of the question. He took the position that an alleged conspiracy can be considered after the ntroduction of the direct evidence of a conspirator.

Mr. Richardson argued that a conspiracy had been shown by the conributory fact. J. H. Hawley will open the argu-

ment for the state to-morrow morning. not sufficient grounds on which to base It is expected that he will take the entire day. Mr. Richardson, for the defence, will speak on Saturday.

WILL FUNISH LYNCHERS.

Guthrie, Okla., July 19.-For the first ne in the history of Oklahoma, lynchers will be prosecuted. United States Marshal Abernathy and two as-sistant United States attorneys are in broke the death-like stillness that Osage, Okla., to get evidence against numbers of the mob that Tuesday night hanged Frank Bailey a negro for assaulting Brakeman Frank Kelly. Charges of murder will be preferred against the men and boys. Osage is an Indian reservation and the territorial authorities have no jur-

## **COMING COUNTRY**

ARE UNLIMITED

#### tion is Turning Toward the Dominion.

Seattle, July 18.—That the tide of im-migration toward this continent is turn-a few days formally notify his father, ing toward Canada, was the declara-ried herself in a most seaworthy man-ner. In all she had covered 1689 miles department of commerce and labor. It and at times encountered heavy seas. Her run lasted for 17 days and this reau of immigration does business so Her run lasted for 17 days and this was done without coaling. From this port she carried 40 tons of coal in her authorifative. authoritative.

the opinion of Dr. Montizambert she Straus, "the number of immigrants coming into the United States through all ports has increased 10 per cent. over the number coming in the corresponding period during 1906. During the same period the immigration from Japan decreased. The kind of Japanese that are coming to this country are the most desirable class 'What do I think these figures mean?

What deductions do I draw? You can draw them yourself. It means that the tide of immigration is turning toward Canada. They have a wonderful country up there, and the immigrants are ning to find it out. I believe that Canada' is the coming country. That that you men on the Pacific coast will have to face and will have to solve. lius T. Rosenheimer, the wealthy manlaborers will leave your country and flack to Canada. I tell you I have been through there, and it is magnif-of his country estate at Pelham rebeen through there, and it is magnif-icent and unlimited in possibilities."

#### IN BASEBALL CIRCLES. Transfer of Players-Manager of the

Montreal Club Deposed. New York, July 19 .- The announcen was made yesterday by the managers of the Greater New York Baseball Club of the purchase of H. dildebrand, the Princeton University pitcher, and Manning, also a pitcher, who has been with filled the room and were unconscious. KAID M'LEAN GETS AWAY. Raisuli Believed to Have Connived in Escape as Best Way Out of London, July 18.—When asked in the House of Commons to-day if it was in-tended to submit the Newfoundiand fisheries question to arbitration, the foreign secretary, Sir Edward Grey, declined to give any information on the present state of the negotietter

### KOREAN EMPEROR **ABDICATES THRONE**

### WITH HIS MINISTERS

#### Judge Wood will probably give his de- His Majesty Was Greatly Agitated When He Signed Document **Announcing Resignation**

Secul. July 19 .- It is reported that a most dramatic scene occurred at the palace last night when the ministers, headed by Premier Yi Wngyong, ap-peared before His Majesty and made the cabinet's final representation in

His Majesty was in a high state of excitement but the premier, in most humble but firm tone, dwelt at length upon the want of precaution and prudence of the Emperor's policies hith erto, especially in diplomatic affair matic affairs ty of the nation. The premier enum-erated the facts of His Majesty's duplicities which culminated in the dis-patch of a deputation to The Hague peace conference and forcibly reasoned the uselessness of the Emperor's disavowal of relation with The Hague af-

fair. Unable to successfully combat the logic of the premier's representations the Emperor saught a refuge in the council of elder statesmen, doubtles anticipating their sympathy. The council immediately convened. Four eiders quickly responded and appeared before His Majesty at 1 o'clock this (Friday) morning.

The Emperor's disappointment and surprise was boundless when they unanimously agreed with what the ministers advocate.

His Majesty's mind was finally made up and he consented to the draft of an Imperial rescript announcing his abdication which was placed before him for his signature.

The Emperor's condition was indescribable. Greatly agitated and per-turbed, he signed the document and the seal was affixed amid impressive silence. A suppressed sigh from the reigned throughout the memorable Interviewed Ito.

Tokio, July 18.—A Seoul dispatch says that the audience of Marquis Ito with the Emperor of Korea yesterday lasted one hour. It is reported that the Emperor appealed imploringly to the former to help to save Korea from her present complication in a manner satisfactory to the Japanese and without doing anything derogatory to the Korean court. Marquis Ito, it is said, carefully avoided making any definite ceply, and retired without committing

Emperor's Regrets. Seoul, July 19.-(Afternoon)-Briefly the Emperor in an imperial rescript of abdication expresses regret that 44 years of national calamities have followed in rapid succession and the peo-ple's distress has become so aggrav-ated that he deemed it now time to transfer the crown to the heir apparent in conformity with ancestral usages.

WILL REMARRY AMERICAN.

Prince Robert de Broglie Informs His Father That He Intends to Take Step.

Paris, July 19 .- Prince Robert de Broglie, whose marriage a year ago in Chicago with Miss Estelle Alexander, Seattle, July 18 .- That the tide of im- an American, was yesterday declared

"In the last three months," said Mr. France, Robert is free to marry at the end of thirty days, unless his father interposes an objection. If this step is taken, however, Robert must personally appear in court and request permission to marry and this the court must grant him.

SUSPECTED OF MURDER.

Ex-Convict Suspected of Being Implicated in Death of Wealthy Manufacturer.

New York, July 18 .- Announcement was made to-day that Sheriff Linn, of West Chester, aided by private detecs going to be one of the big problems tives, has arrested a man who he believes is one of the murderers of Juufacturer who was struck down while cently. The name of the suspect is withheld, but he is described as an ex-convict, 32 years old, who has served time in the reformatory at Pontias, Ill., and in Sing Sing. A second arrest, that of the pal of the suspect detained, is about to be made, and a speedy solution of the mystery that has surrounded the crime is prom

#### WILL RESIGN.

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Junior Whip of Irish Party Is Out of Sympathy With Its Policy.

Dublin, July 19 .- It is said that the ior whip of the Irish party, Sir Thomas Henry Gratten Esmonde, is about to r sign his seat in parliament for North Wexford for the reason that he is out of sympathy with the policy of his party.

ENGINEERING BUILDING.

Will Be Erected at McGill University at a Cost of \$275,000.

Montreal, July 18 .- A building permit was issued yesterday for the new engineering building at McGill Universe ity, which will cost \$275,000.