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NEW EQUIPMENT FOR LOCAL COMPANY

MODERN DIVING GEAR BOUGHT IN ENGLAND

Dominion Will Compete With the Shamrock in Gorge Service—The Lost Tricolor.

W. F. Bullen, of the B. C. Marine Railway, is in Scotland. In a letter to his brother in this city he reports having purchased in London a new diving gear, also extra large pumps for the use of the B. C. Salvage Company. The diving equipment is supplied with electric lights and telephones, and in every respect is thoroughly modern. It is known as the Snibe Gorman patent, and its construction will admit of it working in 100 feet of water. The pumps are of the celebrated Gwynne type. They can throw a stream of water 24 inches in diameter. The largest which the company now has is capable of throwing a 14-inch stream, so it will be seen that the new ones will make a big acquisition to the company's plant. The company have had no big undertakings on hand during the past winter in the way of salvage operations, but this fact does not deter the enterprising management from completing their plans. They have every faith in the place and have been investing heavily.

The work which the company accomplished in floating H. M. S. Flora a few years ago has come in for considerable favorable comment. A letter has been received from Rear-Admiral Bickford, who speaks very highly of what had been done. This letter has been forwarded on to Lloyd's, as the company works under Lloyd's regulations.

The new diving equipment, as also the pumps, will be shipped direct to Esquimalt from England on one of the China Mutual liners.

Capt. J. W. Peppett, who has been in the Pacific seal fishery for the past six months, returned Monday night from Victoria and will spend a week or so with his family here, says the Sydney Record of July 26th.

Next week Capt. Peppett goes to Halifax to superintend the fitting out of the schooner Beatrice L. Corkum, in which he has a alarge interest, for the Southern Sea seal fishery. At the end of the season the Corkum will proceed to Victoria to land her catch and thereafter will fish in the Behring Sea.

Capt. Peppett may take command of the vessel on this trip, but is not yet decided on this matter. If he does not he will return to North Sydney and remain here until October, when he will go to the Pacific coast.

Regarding the Behring Sea seal fishery last year, Capt. Peppett said it was fairly good, the catch being up to the average, with prices ruling high.

RACED WITH DOLPHIN.

An exciting feature of the trip of the steamer Princess Beatrice, completed Thursday afternoon, was a race which the ship had with the steamer Dolphin, of the Alaska Steamship line, on the return voyage from Skagway. The Dolphin has a reputation for speed, but in the run with the Beatrice was outclassed. The two ships met before entering Wrangel Narrows, and as the Beatrice gradually shortened the distance between them, the fire began to shoot out of the Dolphin's smokestack. It soon became evident that all pressure was being brought to bear to keep the C. P. R. liner in the background. What happened aboard the Beatrice is not stated. It was early morning. She was reeling off about 14 knots an hour. She crept upon the Dolphin, and the firemen on the latter it could be seen were becoming desperate. Before the race was over the ship's smokestack was afire. But their supreme effort to keep the Beatrice astern proved unsuccessful. The latter overhauled the American boat and beat her into Ketchikan by a full hour. It is said that the Dolphin's machinery was not working as it might, and it is probable that her crew will not take the race as conclusive evidence that the C. P. R. boat is the faster of the two. Therefore the next meeting of the ships may be even more exciting.

The Dolphin in going North had the misfortune to lose between 30 and 40 carcases of fresh meat, which had been hung on deck. It was a shipment being forwarded to the Yukon. Owing to the hot weather the meat turned bad, and had to be thrown overboard.

The same heat was encountered by the Princess Beatrice. It was caused, her officers think, by the big forest fires raging inland, the heat having been carried seaward by the off shore winds. The fire district extends far south, and between Simpson and Hazelton the telegraph wires were down in consequence. When the Beatrice called at Simpson there had been no communication by wire with inland points for two days.

At Essington, the day the Beatrice was in that port, a painful accident occurred to the mate of the little steamer Grace, who is a son of S. M. O'Kell, of this city. The Grace was towing and the mate was letting out more line, when he inadvertently stepped into a coil. The line at the same time received a jerk. O'Kell's foot was taken off and he was thrown into the water. Rev. Mr. Price fortunately witnessed the accident, and jumping into the water immediately rescued the unfortunate young man.

The Beatrice had nearly two hundred passengers on her return, about half of which number were Japanese. Few came on to Victoria. Among those aboard were Mrs. and Miss Butler, Mrs. Cullum, Misses Chambers, Boiler Inspector Baxter, Earl Sinclair, E. J. Coyle, B. W. Greer and three tourists. Messrs. Coyle and Greer, representing respectively the freight and passenger departments of the C. P. R. at Vancouver, made the round trip on the steamer.

The Beatrice connected with the steamer Mount Royal on her way North, but the latter had not returned from the upper Skeena when the Beatric revisited the Skeena on the way South.

QUEEN CITY'S RETURN.

On Saturday night the steamer Queen City returned from coast ports with a good list of passengers. Among these were Messrs. Edwards, Von Brindel, W. A. Thompson, Regan, Ross, H. E. Newton, Wilkinson, Waddington, McEwen, and Steffing, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Masters Wood and Skipsby, the Misses Moss, Rev. Mr. Stone, and twelve loggers.

The steamer reports that the fertilizing plant in connection with the whaling station at Bamfield is in course of construction and in a few more weeks it is expected that the idustry will be started.

The Gladys mine, a property being developed by Mr. Clarke on the Alberni canal, will be ready to ship 100 tons of ore on the 14th inst. Another mine on the coast about ready to make a shipment is the Happy Green, on Deer creek. The steamer took to Clayoquot a party of fifteen laborers who were set to work to clear a site for the sawmill there to be erected.

OPPOSITION FOR SHAMROCK.

On Wednesday or Thursday of this week, the steamer Dominion will be put on the Gorge run in competition with the Shamrock, now in that service. She will make half-hour trips, leaving the city landing at the James Bay wall and running through to the Gorge on pretty much the same schedule as she was operated on last year. The Dominion is owned by C. Goodwin and was built specially for the ferry service. Although employed in this fest season, hen bwner used her in other work up to the present this season.

Preparatory for the passenger business, Mr. Goodwin has now spread canvass over her deck and is fitting her with seats and applying a coat of paint. He will make no cut in present rates, but make a strong bid for patronage, believing that the special attractions at the Gorge will warrant the operation of two steamers.

A NEW ROUTE.

A peculiar route from Europe to this coast is being followed by the British ship Dundee, en route from Brake, on the North Sea, to Seattle with a cargo of cement.

Instead of taking the orthodox route via Cape Horn, the Dundee has run around the Cape of Good Hope, and skipping the Australian route, made for the China Sea via the Strait of Sunda. She is reported as passing Anjer, Strait of Sunda, on July 21st, and up to that time her voyage had consumed a hundred and thirty-nine days.

Judging by the length of time it took the Dundee to make Anjer, her voyage will be of long duration.

BACK FROM COAST.

D. G. S. Quadra returned from Lennard Island, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, Thursday afternoon, where she carried the material to be used in the construction of the new fog alarm station at that point. The ship's next cruise will probably be to Green Island, on the northern coast, where a new lighthouse is to be built.

MINNESOTA'S ACCIDENT.

Details of an accident in which the steamer Minnesota figured in Nagasaki harbor have been brought to light by the receipt of an extra of the Japanese Chronicle, printed at Kobe. Its date is July 4th, and, under the caption, "Terrible Accident at Nagasaki; Three Lighters Upset by Minnesota," a special from Nagasaki, dated 10.45 p.m. July 3rd, is printed. It follows: "About 8 p.m., as the steamer Minnesota was manoeuvring in the harbor here, she capsized three lighters crowded with coolies. Many lives were lost, but exactly how many has not yet been ascertained."

SPOKANE SAILS.

The Alaska excursion steamer Spokane sailed from the outer wharf for northern points at 9 o'clock Thursday, having been in port since 4 o'clock. A few days ago the Spokane caused considerable excitement, as it was feared she would sink.

From statements made by the officers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company yesterday, it seems that the alarm which brought out the fireboat Snoqualamie and a small fleet of tugs was turned in by an over-excited member of the crew. The Spokane had a considerable list and owing to the failure of the automatic port discharge to close properly after her water ballast had been discharged, the water commenced to run in again, and the steamer's list caused it to flow over the fire room floor.

No damage was done, and the officers state that the danger which the steamer was in as a result of the accident was slight.

TRICOLOR BREAKING UP.

Recent advices from Eureka state that the Tricolor is slowly breaking up, and that Indians and others on the shore in the vicinity are gathering up wreckage that is being washed ashore. As the vessel lightens she is being driven higher up on the beach, but here she receives the breakers broadside, which will make short work of completing her destruction. It is considered remarkable by marine men that the vessel has lasted so well under such a terrible battering as she has received, which is proof of her staunchness.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Atkins reef beacon, including the staff and ball, will be changed in color from black to white, without further notice.

The concrete lower portion of Walker rock beacon, Trincomali channel, will be also changed in color from black to white, without further notice, so that in future both the beacon and the tower surmounting it will be white.

E. H. Harriman will spend $10,000,000 on railroad building in Oregon, Washington and Idaho next year, according to his announced plans. This includes an extension to Coos Bay for connection with the main line.

Eugene E. Larimore, agent of the Portland Piano Co., is under arrest at Seattle, charged with embezzling $8,355 belonging to his employers. He admits the shortage, but asks for time to be allowed to make it up.

CASE STILL IN PROGRESS.

G. D. Collins, of San Francisco, Continues to Address Court in Extradition Proceedings.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Argument was resumed by Geo. D. Collins, of San Francisco, in the extradition proceedings before Judge Lampman to-day. He argued that it would be absolutely necessary to prove the delivery of the affidavit by the accused. The presumption could not be involved that the notary did his duty, and the oath was administered. It had to be actually proved that the oath was administered and that the accused had delivered the affidavit purporting it to be true for the purpose of misleading. The making of a false affidavit was not sufficient to prove perjury.

On the question of the delivery Mr. Collins said that Mr. Henry's evidence was to the effect that he knew nothing about the affidavit after it was sworn to. It was not proved that the affidavit left the office of the accused with the latter's consent. It was obtained according to Myer's evidence from a clerk in the office of the accused. There was nothing however to show that the accused was interested in this transaction or made any attempt to deliver it to misrepresent the issue.

It was essential to establishing a charge of perjury to show that the affidavit was required or permitted by law. This was just as essential as to show that the oath was a false one. It would have to be shown that the affidavit was required in California, and also in Canada. This, he contended, was not possible, authorities being cited to show that such an affidavit was not required.

Considerable time was taken up in citing authorities to show that the affidavit was not required.

Mr. Collins said pleadings were not evidence in court. There was not a single decision in California that perjury could be established or a false verification to a pleading.

He proceeded to show that if false swearing to an answer which raised an issue was construed as perjury the ends of justice would be shackled. The accused would fear to verify his pleadings on the ground that should the case go against him he would be liable on a charge of perjury.

The oath was not required, he said, according to the code. It could not be made the ground for an action because it was contrary to common law as no crime at common law could be made the ground for criminal action in California nor in Canada. The crime had to be a statutory one.

According to the law of California, perjury must be specifically defined in the statute. The statute which might require an oath must also make its falsity perjury.

Many statutes required the oath, and did not create the offence. There was no perjury to be charged under this latter condition.

There was no statute in California which made a false oath to a pleadings perjury.

The court adjourned at 1 o'clock until 2.15 this afternoon.

After further argument this afternoon the motion of Geo. D. Collins for the dismissal of the charge and the discharge of the accused was refused by Judge Lampman. The proceedings in the case will go on to-morrow morning.

AT BELCHER COURTS.

Finals in Tennis Tourney Played This Morning—Some Past Exhibitions.

Quite a crowd gathered at the Belcher street tennis courts this morning to witness the matches announced to be played. The finals in the ladies' doubles and singles took place, both proving really fine exhibitions. Miss Pitts won from Miss Bell in a struggle marked by extended rallies and brilliant all-round play, while in the double Mrs. Langley and Mrs. Cole vs. the Misses Pitts, the former were successful in another spectacular game. There were two gentlemen's doubles, Schwengers and Macrae defeating Capts. Wright and Williams, while Pooley and Rithet won from Goward and Foll. The latter was particularly interesting, three sets being played, and every point fought for with a vim which held the attention of those present from the first service until the last point was recorded.

One of the first games was that between Miss Bell and Miss Pitts. When the ladies took their places on the courts there was a great deal of conjecture among the fair sex as to which would prove victorious. Miss Bell seemed to be a general favorite, but Miss Pitts had many supporters, any of whom were willing to stake everything on their champion. They would have been quite safe under the circumstances, because Miss Bell proved a little off-color and lost. But she played pluckily, and her opponent had to dance about the ground in lively shape to return some of her beautiful places. Miss Pitts, however, was aggressive and determined. She put any amount of energy into her wark, and tried every stroke, no matter how impossible it appeared. The final score was 6-3, 6-3.

The other contest in which the ladies participated, a double between Mrs. Langley and Mrs. Cole and the Misses Pitts, took place just before lunch. It was a hard game, but the former proved too experienced and steady for their opponents. They displayed creditable judgment, returning everything with uniform speed, while the Misses Pitts played brilliantly at times, and then allowed points to escape them that should have been taken easily. On the shady court Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Langley won out by a score of 6-3, but when a change was made for the second set the Misses Pitts ran them very closely, making it a "deuce" set and then allowing the opponents to win the two necessary games and the set. Final score 6-3, 8-6.

When Schwengers and Macrae tried conclusions with Capts. Wright and Williams, those present were treated to a rather disappointing exhibition. The two J. B. A. A. representtive won out very easily in straight set—6-2, 6.3. They played strongly from the start. Macrae's service being very effective, and his back court play splendid. On the other hand Schwengers was never in better form. His play at the net was a real treat, volleys, lobs, everything in fact, being handled with surprising facility and unvarying accuracy. All coming high balls were taken with a hard drive or a smash, either of which were almost impossible to handle. But the soldiers kept to their guns, and, although plainly outclassed, did some fine playing, and occasionally did good defence work.

It was the double—Pooley and Rithet vs. Goward and Foll—which roused the most enthusiasm. This lasted for an hour or more, and was keenly fought by both couples. The first set was won by Pooley and Rithet, the second went the other way, and the third, with the match, fell to the former pair. The features of the game were the splendid net and court play of Goward, his placing and all-round clever tactics, and the more brilliant work of Rithet at the net, his driving and smashing as well as effective serving. These were the stars of their respective sides, and they were ably assisted by the partners mentioned. The score was 6-3, 5-6, 6-2.

This afternoon the ladies' single and double championships are being played together with the gentlemen's single and double finals. If the latter games are completed in time the men's championships may be arranged. Should it be impossible to complete the tourney, the remaining contests will be played on Monday afternoon.

PRIVATE NURSING HOME.

New Institution Has Been Established Here by Well Known Nurse.

Miss E. H. Jones, the well known nurse, has opened a private nursing home for obstetrical work, at 66 Rae street, just below Quadra. The building is large, well arranged and is supplied with every facility for the treatment for which it is intended. Miss Jones, who is a graduate of St. Mary's hospital, Manchester, will be in charge, which is in itself a guarantee that the attendance will be all that can be desired. She will have able assistance.

The institution is now ready for the treatment of patients, the various apartments being neatly furnished and the whole structure so arranged as to make it partake essentially of the nature of a home. Miss Jones has had the widest possible experience in nursing, and enjoys the fullest confidence of the profession with which her own is so closely allied.

SPLENDID ROADS FOR AUTOMOBILE TOURING

The C. P. R. Party Were Delighted With Travelling Conditions on Vancouver Island.

A road devoid of cobble stones, level and winding through scenery of a fascinating character is the thoroughfare which offers the greatest attractions for the automobile tourist. It is the kind of road which the C. P. R. party travelled over last week during the greater part of their rounds between Duncans and Union. The party was a notable one inasmuch as it represented the first to ever travel over this section of the Island in motor cars. Therefore, their experiences from a travelling standpoint are of the greatest interest to those owning machines, and who are continually looking for the new in touring.

In view of this Captain Troup was called upon on Monday. He was one of the party owning a machine, and in speaking of the trip said the party left the steamer at Union Bay, headed for Courtney, then for Cumberland, and made a triangular run back to the point of commencement. From Union Bay the run was then made down to Duncans.

From Nanaimo to Englishman's river the captain said they found no part of the road as rough as that between the fountain on Douglas street and the Craigflower bridge. From Nanaimo to Englishman's river there is a stretch of road 25 miles long, and the scenery en route is very similar to that found on the Happy Valley road, which in Captain Troup's opinion is the best road for auto touring on this end of the Island.

Rapid running streams are crossed, the salt water is in view at points en route, and the road winds through heavy timber.

The only bad piece of road encountered is that on the first twenty-five miles south from Union. The undergrowth and weeds have narrowed it into uncomfortably close confines, but with little improvement the road could be made good, as the foundation and surface are all that could be desired. The road from Nanaimo to Duncans is a little hilly, but is good. The whole is known as the Vancouver Island trunk road. It extends for over a hundred miles, and is well provided with way houses, where accommodation for travellers may be found. Being little used it affords an ideal outing for such a party as that which travelled over it last week.

The two machines were curiosities all along the road, especially to the small boy, but they were the greatest surprise to the country dog. It frequently made its appearance, and a sharp rout of the born would invariably drive it wild with fear. Then would follow a hot pursuit, the dog going at full speed and the machine following until eventually the canine realizing it was being overtaken in the race would dart off in the wood and disappear.

Good farms were passed along the road, but laborers were few, and it was a source for common regret that the fine lands seen were not being more energetically worked.

The C. P. R. officials were greatly surprised at finding such good roads in so sparsely settled a district. They were all delighted with their outing.

Captain Troup says he can recommend it to any automobilist, the roads being such as will permit the machines being driven at high speed without the fear of damage resulting.

ENJOYABLE EXCURSION.

Delightful and Instructive Visit to Tod Inlet on Saturday Afternoon.

The excursion to the cement works at Tod Inlet, under the auspices of St. John's Guild and committee on Saturday, proved a great success. The weather was ideal. Friday's clouds having melted into nothingness. About 350 took advantage of the excursion, and it is certain that 350 people were extremely pleased with their outing. A punctual start was made, and after a most pleasant steam through the Islands and up the Inlet, the cement works were reached about 5.30 p.m. Here the party spent three-quarters of an hour ashore, most instructively occupied by an inspection of this latest addition to local industries. Under the able guidance of officials of the company kindly provided by Mr. Butchart, the excursionists not only added to their knowlege of cement, but brought quite a lot of the manufactured article away with them on their garments, proving conclusively that the Vancouver Island cement works were very busy indeed.

The return trip was delightfully bridged by the excellent supper kindly provided by the ladies of St. John's, to whom a hearty mead of thanks is due. An impromptu concert was concluded with "God Save the King" just as the boat glided alongside the C. P. R. wharf at 10 p.m.

PORTLAND CRICKET TOURNEY.

Victoria Team Preparing to Enter Series at Lewis and Clark Exposition.

A communication has been received by E. W. Carr-Hilton from the committee in charge of the schedule for the cricket tournament which will take place at the Lewis and Clark exposition on the 13th, 14th and 15th September, asking for the Victoria club's entry and names of participants.

The inducement is offered by the management of the exposition in the way of prizes are inviting, a special cup and medals being given to the club winning the tournament; a special gold medal to the player having the best batting average; another to the one with the best bowling average; another to the best wicket keeper, and one for the best fielding. Expenses of the trip will have to be borne by those going, but special rates will be obtained. Any member of the Victoria team who is anxious to list his name with those already down will please send it in at once to Mr. Hilton.

The best possible team will be chosen, and there is no reason, with such a record as the Victoria Cricket Club possesses, why some of the trophies should not find their way back to this city.

Teams are expected from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Vancouver, as well as Victoria, to take part in the tournament.

BRITISH DAY CELEBRATION.

Canadian Regiment Attended the Festivities at Providence, R. I.

Providence, R. I., Aug. 5.—Past and present subjects of Great Britain, both from the Dominion of Canada and the Mother Country, who live in this vicinity joined in the celebration of the British Day at Crescent Park. The feature of the day was the presence of the Duke of Cornwall's Own 43rd Canadian regiment, which came here from Ottawa, Ont., to attend the celebration. The festivities opened with a parade through the streets of the city. The procession was reviewed by Governor Utter and Acting Mayor Reynolds of this city. The visiting regiment received an ovation along the line of march. At the park the merrymakers engaged in a genuine Maypole dance and a parade, after which the visiting regiment reviewed, the local societies gave a short dinner, which was followed by a programme of sports.

EARLY HARVEST EXPECTED.

Good Crops Reported in the Northwest—Other News From Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Aug. 3.—The Canadian Pacific railway crop report for the week ending August 2nd sustains fully the bright prospects of last week's report. All sections of the country report exceedingly favorable weather and that the crops are all headed out and filling nicely. An average of 25 bushels per acre is predicted in the Brandon section.

Wheat is reported to be 50 inches in height in the Morden district. Good rains have fallen along the Brookdale extension, and at Carnduff, Alameda and Froblsher, on the Souris branch. Rain is also reported from Langenburg, on the Yorkton branch, and Yellow Grass, on the Soo line, and along the Prince Albert branch. Heavy yields are predicted in the Arcola and Carlyle region, an estimate of 30 bushels on an average being given. Barley cutting has already begun in some places. An early harvest is looked for in the Moose Jaw section. Wheat cutting will be general in three weeks, farmers at Neepawa expecting to begin on August 20th, while some districts report a few days' later opening.

Burglarized Store.

Brandon, Aug. 3.—During the half holiday this afternoon the jewellery store of Mullett & Mathews was burglarized in broad daylight and fifty diamond rings, valued at about $5,000, stolen. Edward Murphy was arrested shortly afterwards, charged with the crime, which was one of the most daring ever committed in Canada.

REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—The Emperor's councillors to-day resumed consideration of the national assembly project at Peterhoff, penetrating deeply the nature and extent of the representation to be granted. The problem of according a voice in the proposed assembly to all classes and interests without giving undue weight to the representatives of the uneducated peasants, comprising 65 per cent. of the whole population, or throwing control of the assembly into the hands of demagogues and agitators, is one of the points of the whole system, and is the cause of the greatest perplexity, both to those who drafted the original Bouligan programme and to the ministers by whom it was to be revised. The sections considered at Tuesday's session were unimportant in comparison with the topics now under consideration.

Though no details of the discussion have appeared in print, several papers comment on the extreme importance of the Peterhoff conference and base on them great expectations of a brighter future for Russia.

The discussion on the question of the assembly lasted until nearly 7 p. m. To-morrow, which is the name day of the Dowager Empress, is a general holiday, and all the high functionaries will go to Peterhoff to offer their felicitations.

ALL DOING WELL.

San Diego, Aug. 3.—The naval court of inquiry is continuing on the Bennington disaster, without evidence given out.

The two most seriously injured men about whom great anxiety was felt now seem to be on the road to recovery, so that no more deaths are likely to result.

Eighteen men were discharged yesterday from the hospital, leaving only 35 patients.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

ARMSTRONG.

"Stook threshing is now the order among many of the farmers, and all the machines in the district are busy. The yields among that so far threshed show the crop to be one of the best harvested for years. The yield which is estimated here by the ton in many cases equalled from fifty to sixty bushels, and the quality is in almost all cases No. 1."—The Advance.

ROSSLAND.

The ore shipments have passed the 200,000-ton mark for the year, and the outlook is that they will reach a larger tonnage than last year when the total was 340,000 tons. The shipments of last week were: Le Roi, 2,950 tons; Le Roi (milled) 210 tons; Centre Star, 2,110 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 90 tons; Le Roi No. 2 (milled) 600 tons; Jumbo, 400 tons; Lilly May, 30 tons; Inland Empire, 30 tons. Total, 6,420 tons. Total for year, 201,953 tons.

There was another electrical storm Wednesday evening, accompanied by a fall of hail stones as large as marbles. One man on Columbia avenue, who was struck on the head by a hail stone as large almost as a hen's egg, accused his companion of hitting him with a stone, so severe was the blow that he received. The electric light service was shut down for about half an hour. The current was shut off at the sub-station of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company in order to save the transformers from being burned out. On Tuesday evening two transformers were put out of business by the lightning, inflicting damage to the extent of about $1,500.

KAMLOOPS.

Senator Bostock, who has recovered from the injuries sustained by the overturning of a rig while driving several days ago, was in town Thursday.

G. B. Sword, Dominion inspector of fisheries in British Columbia, came up from New Westminster on Tuesday night, and has been spending the last two days in the vicinity looking into local matters connected with the preservation and protection of trout and salmon. In company with A. Irwin, Indian agent, he visited Fish lake and may make arrangements for its supervision and also the Nicola and North Thompson rivers.

D. W. Lusk had a narrow escape while driving into town from Fish lake on Wednesday. Part of the rigging of the buggy gave way while coming down the Iron Mask hill, and the team ran away. A general smash ensued, resulting in one of the horses being killed, Mr. Lusk sustaining severe and painful injuries.

Over a hundred men are employed by the Dominion timber agent fighting fires along Shuswap lake. Fortunately their efforts have been successful in confining the fires to restricted areas, and the damage done to merchantable timber is comparatively small though quite sufficient has been done. The authorities state that no doubt carelessness on the part of those clearing land is largely responsible for the fires.

GRAND FORKS.

An astounding discovery was made Friday morning by Dr. C. M. Kingston, medical health officer, when, on complaint of a prominent citizen he analyzed the milk of the Rose Hill dairy, when it was found to contain a most injurious adulteration, namely, formaldehyde. The prosecution of G. W. Floyd, proprietor of the dairy, took place before Stipendiary Magistrate Cochrane, the charge being laid under the provincial act relating to such cases Friday. The chief witnesses for the prosecution were Mayor Hammer and Henry Coleman, a smelter employee, who both gave coincident testimony in regard to ill effects caused by using the milk. The accused was fined $100, the maximum penalty allowed by law, or an alternative of three months in jail. The accused refused to make any defence. It developed at the trial on the evidence of R. R. Gilpin, customs officer, that on the 9th of June a gallon of the adulterative ingredient was receipted for under the name of preservative extract. It was consigned from Seattle. Most strenuous efforts will be taken in future by the medical health officer to safeguard the public against similar practices.

Peter T. McCallum, who owns the Craglee claim in Gloucester camp, has made an exceedingly rich find of native copper. This copper is found in innumerable stratas of quartz which are widening considerably as depth is attained.

D. C. Beach, one of the best known mining men in the Boundary, has returned from Phoenix, where he has held a responsible position with the Granby Company for the past few months, and will again begin development work on the Cracker-Jack property at Christina lake.

The citizens of Cascade are making arrangements for the erection of an immense water tank which will be located in the centre of the town for use in case of fire.

VANCOUVER.

Nicholas Brown, whose empty boat was picked up off Point Grey by the Blue Funnel liner Yangtsze on Thursday, has turned up safe and sound. He said that he had no partner with him, and when his boat became unmanageable in the storm he got into another fishing boat that came to his rescue and went ashore.

The new Procedure By-Law will soon be introduced in the city council. It will inaugurate a number of radical features, principal of which is that the meetings of the city council will be held but twice a month, and committees will also meet only twice a month. Departure will be made from the old methods in the disposal and consideration of communications. Formerly these were first read at the council meeting before acted upon, but for some time past they have been referred directly to the committees concerned as soon as they have been received. Under this arrangement, it is not necessary for a council meeting to be held before a matter of this kind may be taken up in committee.

At about a quarter to twelve on Saturday night a special train of four cars arrived at the Great Northern depot, bearing a party of heads of departments and other prominent officials of the Great Northern Railway, numbering sixteen in all. This is the train that left St. Paul on Monday last on a general inspection trip of the entire Great Northern system. It includes First Vice-President Louis W. Hill; Fourth Vice-President Benjamin Campbell; General Manager F. E. Ward; Chief Engineer A. H. Hoggland; and Freight Traffic Manager W. W. Broughton. Prominent officials have been picked up at various points en route, so that the party has been growing continually. It is expected that the trip will yet consume another week. The party left on Sunday for Seattle.

Johnny Fraser, known to every athlete in Vancouver, and to many at outside points as "Dummy," is dead. He succumbed to tuberculosis last evening after a protracted illness.

Dr. A. S. Monro has been appointed Dominion immigration inspector and medical health officer for the port of Vancouver, vice Dr. J. A. L. McAlpine, resigned, the appointment dating from the 1st of the present month. Dr. Monro acted first in his official capacity upon the arrival of the Empress of Japan on Wednesday, and detained 24 out of 209 Oriental immigrants because of disease. Of these men, those who recover will be allowed to land, and the remainder deported. Succeeding Dr. Monro as superintendent of the detention hospital is Dr. R. E. McKechnie.

A miner named Kenneth McCauley lies in the city hospital with one arm broken in three places, a crushed thigh and badly bruised shoulder, as the result of an accident at the Britannia mine early this morning. At the time McCauley was working in one of the stopes of the Britannia, and shortly after several blasts had been fired, went into the stope and several tons of rock fell, a portion striking him in its descent. He was placed on a stretcher by his companions and borne by them through a raging storm over the 3½ miles of road separating the mine from salt water. He was placed on the Britannia syndicate's launch Lotus, and arrived in Vancouver shortly after 10 o'clock. He underwent an operation on arrival at the hospital, and from latest reports is progressing favorably.

Norman McLeod, brother of Dan McLeod, former champion wrestler of the world, died to-day under unusually distressing circumstances. McLeod was a longshoreman and was working on the Manuka, when a sister whom he had not seen for many years came to the vessel. He told her he would soon be finished work, and would then join her. He had just re-entered the hold when a stick of Australian hardwood fell from a sling on to his head, inflicting injuries from which he died to-day.

The interesting case of Le Page vs. Robert Ward & Company, was resumed before Judge Henderson on Tuesday afternoon. As will be remembered the subject of the action is an antique watch which was presented to Bishop Spratt, Dean of Westminster, in 1689 by the Duke of Buckingham on behalf of the crown. Bishop Spratt was the direct ancestor of Mr. Nelson Le Page of Vancouver, who is bringing action to recover damages for injuries alleged to have been done to the watch while in the hands of Robert Ward & Co. Some expert evidence on antique curios was given, and the court was redolent of the age of laced coats and ruffles, and three-cornered hats and buckled shoes. Clean-shaven gentlemen with rings on their heads and snuff boxes in their hands, and stately dames in furbelows would have been quite at home in the court. All the evidence and practically all the argument was concluded, but Mr. J. E. Bird, counsel for the plaintiff, wished to put in some authorities hearing on the case. Mr. R. W. Harris, K. C., counsel for the defendant company, said he was willing to agree to that provided he could see and reply to the authorities. His honor reserved judgment on this understanding.

The shareholders of the Western Canadian Fish Company have decided to offer for sale the assets of the company's business at Barnet. Among these is included a cargo of codfish now on its way here from Behring Sea in the Blakely, and also the right to use the Whitman process of curing in British Columbia. This is the method by which the fish have been cured here, and has been found highly successful. The company has found that an establishing the business and markets all the capital was absorbed, and failing in securing further money it has been decided to sell out the interests as a going concern. All the product of the company has been disposed of, in fact more orders than could be filled have come constantly in, and it is expected that some practical man will take hold of this enterprise, which offers great inducements if a sufficient amount of capital can be secured.

TWO ADDRESSES

By John Z. White—Spoke on Carlyle and Henry George and His Doctrine.

In the Y. M. C. A. room on Saturday evening another address was delivered by John Z. White, of Chicago, his subject being Thomas Carlyle. Questions being in order on the conclusion of his address, the meeting did not break up until about 11 o'clock. He compared Carlyle with Henry George, the former he said being the greatest Tory who ever lived, and the latter the greatest Democrat. He ridiculed the question of over production. He declared the land to be nothing other than the worth of privilege. The possession of it should carry with it the responsibility of providing for the government of a country. He contended that Carlyle cites fact after fact in support of his position, and each argument and assertion is paralleled by George. "One of these schemes must be adopted," said Mr. White, "if anything analogous to freedom is to continue on earth. The alternative is the man on horseback. Either a ruling class, that possesses the land, or the revenue from land flowing in to the possession of the public through the abolition of all taxes save that on the value of land, was inevitable. Those who believe that people are incapable of self-government would choose the lordly rule advocated by Carlyle. Those who hold to a contrary faith would follow George."

Mr. White spoke in the Y. O. U. W. hall on Sunday afternoon on the subject, "Henry George and His Doctrines."

liam H. Belcher, of Paterson, N. J., have not been discovered. To-day an investigation was begun to ascertain what disposition had been made of the estate of James F. Stewart, late congressman, of which Mayor Belcher was sole executor. It was valued at $10,000.