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ROYAL WELCOME TO THEIR EXCELLENCIES

Victoria Does Honor to His Majesty's Representative—Nothing Marred the Arrangements for the Reception.

Victoria's welcome to Their Excellencies yesterday afternoon did credit to the city. In the warmth of it the citizens did honor to His Majesty the King and his worthy representative in the person of Earl Grey.

The welcome accorded the vice-regal party yesterday was of no formal kind. It was a hearty reception in every sense of the term, and the gracious manner in which Their Excellencies entered into the spirit of the various features connected with it endeared them the more to the citizens.

The D. G. S. Quadra entered the harbor promptly on time tying up at the C. P. R. wharf at 4 o'clock. As the steamer neared the wharf a salute was fired from the wharf.

After greetings had been extended the party moved along the gang way to the street, where the guard of honor was drawn up. This consisted of 100 men from the 6th Regiment, C. I. A., and a detachment of 30 from the Collegiate school cadet corps.

His Excellency was received by the guard with presented arms. The artillery according to regulations presented without fixed bayonets, while in sharp contrast on the left were the cadets, who coming under infantry regulations, presented arms with fixed bayonets.

His Excellency during his inspection took one of the rifles from the cadets. The arm which is issued to them is the Martini-Henry, and His Excellency as he held its weight remarked that the rifles were altogether too heavy. He complimented the cadets on their splendid bearing, and also remarked upon the smart appearance of the guard of honor furnished by the Fifth Regiment.

The inspection over, the cadets returned to the drill hall and the members of the Fifth Regiment marched to the causeway, where later Their Excellencies were driven past as they filed the way.

the civic address was read by His Worship. It was as follows: To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Albert Henry George, Earl Grey, Viscount Howick, Baron Grey of Howick, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor-General of Canada:

May It Please Your Excellency: It is with feelings of the greatest pleasure that the municipal council and citizens of Victoria join in extending to Your Excellency a hearty welcome to the capital city of the province of British Columbia.

From the day when Lord Durham was commissioned to examine into conditions and adjust affairs in the then infant colony of Canada, to the advent of Lord Dufferin, who was the first Governor-General to visit British Columbia, and down to the present, the wisdom of the home government in the selection, from time to time, from distinguished men of the nation, of the one who should represent the sovereign in this country, has never erred.

It is with wounds, in itself, suffice to prompt the welcome we have the honor and pleasure to accord to you to-day, we would not forget that its fullest inspiration and meaning cannot well be voiced in terms of any set verbal definition. Rather is it the outward manifestation of an inborn sentiment which has expanded with the growth of the country in population, in educational and industrial achievement, and the blending of the best of the various peoples, beyond compare, worthy the sacrifice of influence, powers, and even life itself, if necessary, to preserve and maintain for the present generation, and to transmit unimpaired and amplified to the generations that are to come.

Your Excellency's presence, and the insignia of Your Excellency's office, constitute the visible symbol of the freedom, enlightenment and progress, which distinguish citizens of the Empire, not only in Canada, but in every quarter of the globe, and suggest the thought, which rises uppermost in our minds to-day, that no greeting can be too cordial, no welcome too sincere, to extend to the representative of His Most Gracious Majesty the King.

The loyalty and devotion to His Majesty's throne and person we have professed in the past, we desire again to avow, and trust that His Majesty may receive from us, through Your Excellency, the assurance of our unwavering fealty.

Your Excellency's recent journey through the newly created autonomous provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan cannot fail to have impressed you with the richness and vastness of this country, whose future greatness needs no seer's vision to unfold. But it may not be regarded as presumptuous on our part to aver that British Columbia owes all her sister provinces in scenic grandeur and beauty, in forest wealth, in mineral riches and in the husbandry of the seas. The position of this city, as the western portal of the Dominion, with its incomparable climate and environment, has already drawn to it the vanguard of thousands of home seekers, who find here the haven for which they have elsewhere sought in vain.

Your Excellency is accompanied at the present time by Her Excellency the Countess Grey and other members of Your Excellency's family. We unite in extending to them a welcome no less cordial than to yourself.

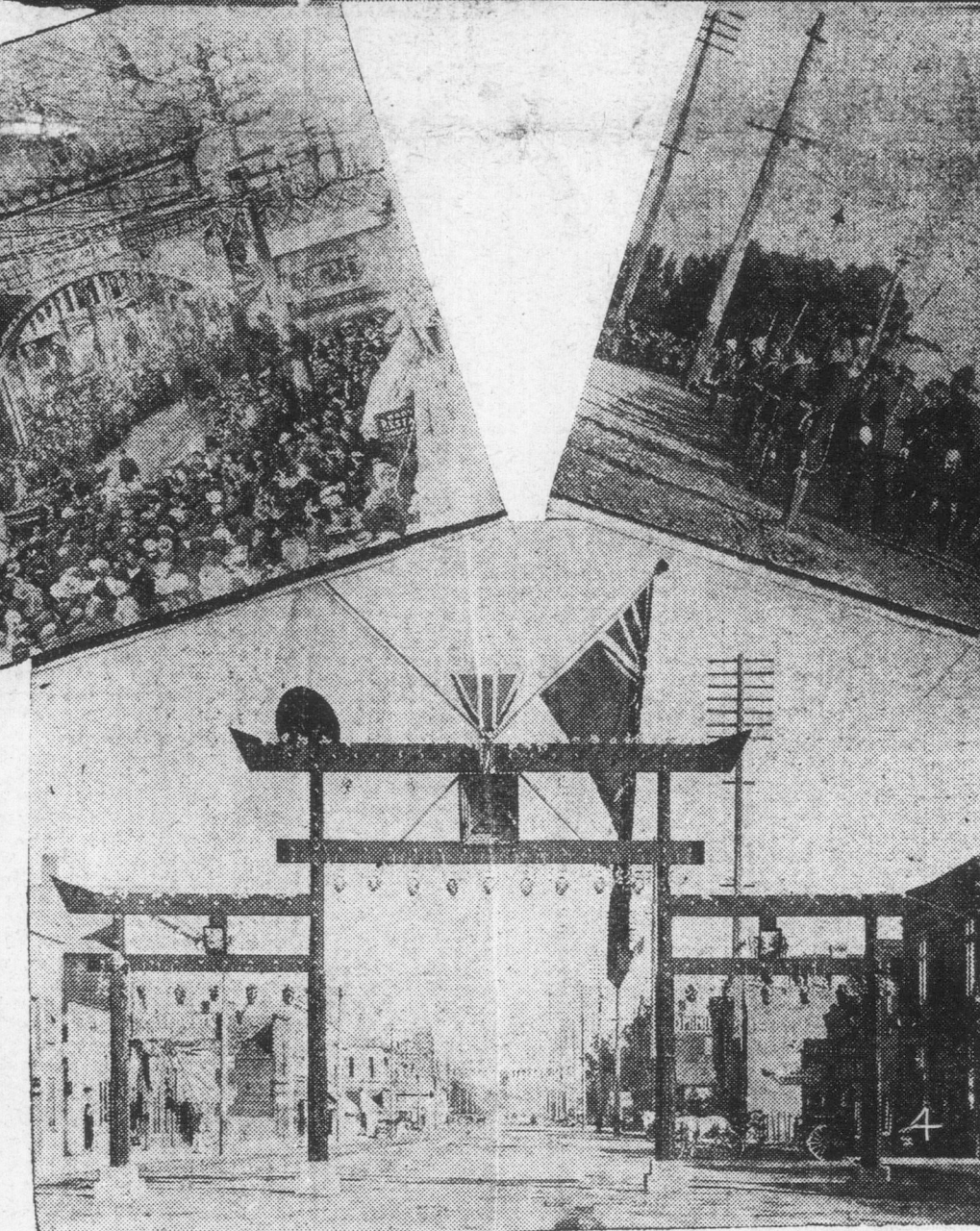
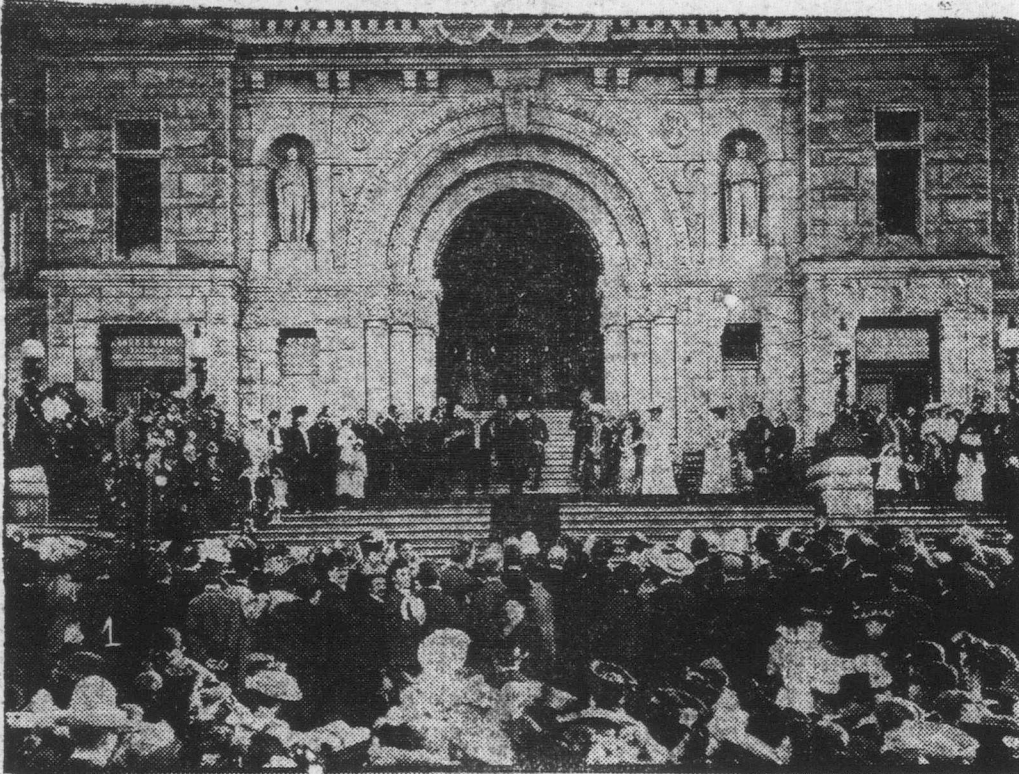
We trust that it may be convenient for Your Excellencies, to spend several weeks with us, from time to time, and that each succeeding visit may be more pleasant and agreeable than the one which preceded it.

For the present, we welcome Your Excellencies right royally to our city, and join in the sincerest wishes for your continued prosperity and success throughout the remainder of your vice-regal term of office, which has been so happily and auspiciously begun.

Signed on behalf of the municipal council and citizens of Victoria, at the city of

this ceremonial with dignity and importance. "I shall have much pleasure in forwarding to His Majesty this new assurance of the devotion of the people of Victoria to his crown and person, and of your unwavering fealty. The inhabitants of Victoria are well known throughout the Empire and outside to be a truly royal and loyal people, and I cannot make you a better wish than to hope that you may prove yourselves worthy of the proud honor which you enjoy in being the sons and daughters of a city named after our late beloved sovereign, Queen Victoria the Good, by showing that you resemble not

transmit to your successors, not merely unimpaired, but strengthened and fortified by your exertions, the sacred charge which you have inherited from your fathers, is only what I expected to hear from the citizens of Victoria. "You have referred to my journey through the garden continent of Canada, and have realized as clearly as if you had been with me what an indelible impression of future prosperity personal contact with that rich and waiting territory had printed upon my mind. "Yes, Mr. Mayor, my journey from the Atlantic shores of Newfoundland, which I left just a



RECEPTION TO HIS EXCELLENCY EARL GREY.

- 1. Presentation of Civic Address on Steps of Parliament Buildings. 2. Presentation of Address by Chinese Under Their Own Arch. 3. Inspection of Cadet Corps. 4. Japanese Arch.

Victoria, in the province of British Columbia, this fourteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and six. (L. S.)

A. J. MORLEY, Mayor. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

His Excellency made an excellent reply. He looked in the best of health, the bronzed face telling of weeks spent largely in the open air, on the trip across the continent. Spoken with a full voice, the words were carried to the bounds of the crowd which covered the lawn in front of the building. He said in reply: "I gratefully acknowledge the cordial welcome which you have extended to me in my capacity as the acting representative of the King. I note with much satisfaction that your loyalty has found pleasure in giving to this reception every distinction which your warm hearts and loyal natures have been able to devise, for the purpose of investing

only in name, but in character, the gracious lady whose name it is your distinguished privilege to bear. I also desire to thank you for the generous and partial friendship of those sentences in your address which have special reference to myself. "Mr. Mayor, I also desire to say that I have listened with the greatest satisfaction to the eloquent expression of your recognition that the great possession of British citizenship brings to you, and to all who are so fortunate as to share it with you, not only the highest advantage, but also corresponding duties and obligations. You have used language which in my opinion is in no way extravagant when you say that your British citizenship is a priceless heritage beyond compare, and your assurance that you are prepared to sacrifice your material interest and, if necessary, life itself, in your patriotic resolve to

month ago; to this beautiful and romantic island, where the fingers of the West and of the East almost interlace, has been one of continual and inspiring revelation; and I am doing no injustice to any part of this rich continent which I have traversed when I admit with you that the journey over thousands of miles of varied but unending interest has appropriately culminated in the unsurpassed grandeur and unascertained and illimitable wealth of your undeveloped province. You have mentioned your forest and mineral wealth and the rich harvests you annually glean from your ever-productive seas; but I would venture to remind you that in the fruit belt which I have just passed from the Kootenays to the Fraser you have a treasure house which will rival that if you have sufficient industry to open it, of

WILL BE PRACTICALLY NEW CUSTOMS TARIFF

Preferential Feature to Be Further Emphasized--Schedules Will Be Ready for Opening of the House.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Sept. 15.—It is the intention of the government to have the tariff schedules ready to be presented to parliament when the House meets either on November 8th or November 15th. Very good progress is being made with the tariff revision by the commission. There will be practically a new tariff, as provision is made for the maximum and the minimum and the preferential list. This will give a three column list instead of one as at present.

The 33 1-2 flat preference which is now extended to Great Britain and certain other countries whose tariffs are as favorable to Canada as Canada's is to theirs, will be changed so that some

items may have a higher preferential rate and some a lower. The preference may range from 10 to 75 per cent. In this way the objects of the preference can be still further perfected by maintaining and directing Canadian trade between Great Britain and such countries as extend tariff favors to us and keeping a stiff tariff against those countries that place barriers against the Dominion.

The new tariff will be framed in the interests of Canada and such tariff must necessarily continue to give a substantial preference as at present to the Mother Land, who throws her doors wide open to Canadian trade. The increase of Canada's trade dates from the preference and that feature of the tariff will not be impaired but strengthened.

DIED IN PARIS. Death of Former Medical Director in United States Navy.

(Associated Press.) Paris, Sept. 15.—Philip S. Wales, formerly medical director in the United States navy, died here today of cancer. The body will be embalmed for burial at Annapolis.

STEAMER OREGON WRECKED IN NORTH

REVENUE CUTTERS SENT TO RESCUE PASSENGERS

Vessel Struck Rocks on Hinchinbrook Island at the Entrance to Prince William Sound.

(Associated Press.) Seattle, Sept. 15.—A dispatch to the Post Intelligencer from Valdez says the steamer Oregon hit the rocks on the beach of Hinchinbrook Island at the entrance to Prince William Sound at 12 o'clock on Thursday night. She was trying to find the entrance in the darkness when the headland loomed up and although she reversed the engines the vessel struck hard enough to tear the bottom off. The Oregon struck at low tide and the water soon filled the engine room to the second grating. A crew of five men left immediately for Valdez to get assistance. The revenue cutters Rush and McCulloch left to take off the passengers. There was no sea running at the time of the wreck, but the position of the steamer is exposed to the full force of the swell and if the wind rises she is in a precarious position. The wreck occurred seventy miles from Valdez and thirty-five miles from Nutchek. The passengers are all safe. In Dangerous Position.

San Francisco, Sept. 15.—Special dispatches received here of the wreck of the Steamer Oregon at the entrance of Prince William Sound on Thursday say that she lies in a very dangerous position. She is commanded by Capt. H. E. Soule, and sailed from Seattle September 8th with about fifty passengers and 900 tons of freight. Unless the news of the wreck was brought to Valdez by Chief Mate Kennedy and four sailors after a long row of fifty or sixty miles the revenue cutters Rush and McCulloch were immediately dispatched to the scene of the disaster to rescue the passengers. The steamers should arrive alongside the Oregon this morning.

If the cutters reach the Oregon before she breaks up they will doubtless have no difficulty in taking off those on board. Should the vessel go to pieces, however, before relief arrives, the passengers will have some difficulty in making the shore under the most favorable conditions. Cape Hinchinbrook is a narrow neck of land extending far out into the sea forming one side of the entrance of Prince William Sound. It has ever been regarded as a menace to navigation and it was but a few months ago that the government made an appropriation of \$125,000 for the erection of a lighthouse at the extreme end of that point. This work is now progressing. The Oregon is owned by the Northwestern Commercial Co., of Seattle.

MARINES LANDED

Men From Cruiser Detroit Take Up Position in Front of Palace in Havana.

Havana, Sept. 13.—One hundred armed sailors from the United States protected cruiser Denver landed this evening and camped in front of the president's palace in anticipation of possible uprisings within or an attack upon Havana.

PEACE CONFERENCE AT THE HAGUE

WILL PROBABLY BE HELD NEXT SUMMER

It Is Likely That About Forty-Five Nations Will Be Represented at Gathering.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 14.—Although the date has not yet been definitely fixed, the second Hague conference will probably be held next May or June, according to Dr. David Hill, minister to the Netherlands, who is now in Washington on a special mission. The postponement of this important gathering, at first regretted by everyone interested in the encouragement of the great principle of the settlement of international disputes by arbitration, is now believed by the officials here to have been very fortunate. In the first place several events of importance have taken place raising issues which it will not be possible to bring before the Hague conference, some of these, indeed, being superior in interest and importance to the topics that were suggested for consideration in the first tentative Russian programme. In the second place, as a result of Secretary Root's South American tour it is probable that nearly all of the governments of that continent will be represented at the second conference which was not at all certain had the conference been held when originally proposed. The representation will thus be increased by thirty nations to about forty-five.

"Mrs. Brown says her baby can say all sorts of things." "But I trust she teaches it not to do so."—FUCK.

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