

THE BEET ROOT SUGAR INDUSTRY Description of the Completed at Ontario.

Prepared to Fight

Unconfirmed Report that Venezuela Will Resist British and Germany.

Little War Vessels Seized Have Been Sunk by the Powers.

There Are Rumors of Street Fighting in the Streets of La Guayra.

London, Dec. 12.—Up to a late hour last night the Foreign Office was still without further official news regarding the situation in Venezuela. While there is no confirmation of the rumors of fighting in La Guayra, etc., the newspapers this morning are full of reports of the serious possibilities involved by President Castro's continued defiance.

other very small vessel, were sunk, but the USSon, which was captured at the same time, was spared in view of the protest made by the French.

France protested against the seizure of the USSon by the Venezuelan authorities in a claim for an indemnity. This is one of the claims which is now to be submitted to arbitration by the United States.

While it is recognized that the Venezuelans are incensed at the sinking of their ships, and may set aside their internal dissensions and offer a stout resistance, hoping for some assistance from the United States or France, much gratitude is shown to the United States for its prompt intervention in behalf of British and German subjects.

Victoria Asks For a Charter

City Solicitor Gives Notice of Application For Private Act.

C. J. Legg gives notice of application for the establishment of a public highway from the Craigflower Cross-road, Victoria district, extending ten feet on each side thereof.

New Railway Company Proposes to Build on Vancouver Island.

This week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette contains the following: Henry Esson Young, of Atlin, M. D., to be resident physician at the same place.

TO HANG TOGETHER.

These are very strong probabilities that instead of three men, two separate hangings at Dawson in the first month of the year, the date of the execution of the two men will be postponed 10 days, and he and Fournier will do the double hanging together.

Board of Trade And Railways

Interesting Discussion on Development of British Columbia Yesterday.

Some Debate on Expediency of Better Quarters for the Agent General.

Yesterday's meeting of the Board of Trade was a very important one. Two large questions were discussed—railway development in Western Canada and the usefulness of the British Columbia Agent-General's office in London.

News Budget

From the North

Skeleton of Miner Lost During a Blizzard Found By

Member of a Resident of Valdez by an Old Prospector.

According to advices received from Dawson by the steamer Amur, the skeleton of a miner was found in the snow.

MURDER AT VALDES.

According to advices received from Valdez, Guy Morrison, a well known citizen of Valdez, has been murdered.

THE OUTWARD RUSH.

The Amur brought news that the winter season is beginning to get underway.

A RATE WAR.

The Dawson News of the 20th ult. says the winter passenger traffic on the Dawson-White Horse route is being slashed.

FIRE AT JUNEAU.

Juneau was visited by a fire on the ground on December 4. The Agnew residence was totally destroyed by fire.

WITCHCRAFT CASES.

The grand jury sitting at Juneau returned a verdict in the witchcraft case.

Canadian in England

Administration of the Yukon the Subject of a Bitter Attack.

Morning Post on the Bugaboo of "Americanization" of Canada.

Dominion Not at All Likely to Hunker After Yankee "Institutions."

London, Dec. 11.—The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a Klondike correspondent's bitter attack on Canadian administration in the Yukon.

Meeting Being Held by Candidates at Parkville.

Nanaimo, Dec. 11.—Special Reports from all points promise a sweeping majority for Hon. W. B. Miles in the coming election.

HORSE AND TRAIN COLLISION.

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