

The Tangle Grows Worse

Chief Commissioner Wells Makes Some Surprising Statements to Committee.

Telegram to and from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Regarded "Private."

Joseph Martin Comes from Sick Bed to Disclaim Connection With Scandal

Hon. W. C. Wells, chief commissioner of lands and works took the witness stand virtually all yesterday before the Columbia & Western land grants commission...

From present appearance the committee cannot complete its formidable task during the present week, and further adjournment is necessary.

In resuming his evidence yesterday, Hon. Mr. Wells declared that the change affirmed by order-in-council on the 19th December, 1900, giving the right of selection to the British Columbia Southern...

After the Crown grants were ordered prepared, at this meeting of the 10th August he had not been at all satisfied as to the legitimacy of the proceedings in deviating from the statutory direction...

When in Montreal on this occasion, besides Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Mr. Taylor had with him several other persons interested in the matter of these land grants...

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The first interview in this matter was some time previous to the passage of the order-in-council of the 19th December, 1900. It was at a meeting of the order-in-council...

At one time a suggestion was made as to the formation of a land company, which Sir Thomas Shaughnessy had in mind...

Respecting the telegram from Taylor to Mr. Eberts in connection with these land grants, witness had either been shown it or told of it by Mr. Eberts...

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American Capitalists Prepared to Invest \$150,000 Under New Lease.

Alex. Tolmie, Well Known Native Son Passes Away at Terminal City.

Shooting the Chutes at Capilano With Cedar Bolts Cut From Forests.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 7.—New J. Robinson, Vancouver to finance the deal by which the False Creek, reclaim land, and build wharves...

By the end of August the chuting of the chutes will commence across the False Creek, which is a financial gentlemen who have called upon me at the False Creek...

There was a customs sale of abandoned unclaimed, and seized goods held by the Customs Department...

The Executive committee of the Vancouver branch of the Provincial Miners' Association have passed a resolution...

With the exception of the first day, Wednesday, the weather was generally clear and bright during the week...

In the Kootenay district the temperature rose to above 70, on three days, during the week...

IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE. Andrew Carnegie, First President, Deceased.

WAR MINISTER RETIRES. General von Gossler Allowed Unlimited Leave of Absence.

Grand Trunk For Business

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Would Commence Construction of Line at Several Points Simultaneously.

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Mr. Maclean will introduce a bill to change the name of Hudson Bay to "The Canadian Sea."

The discussion on the Treadgold concession has been fixed for next Tuesday.

NOTES OFFENSIVE TERMS. Bulgarians Return Porte's Manifesto as to Explosives and Incursions.

Constantinople, May 7.—The Bulgarian government has returned the Porte's note on the subject of the incursion of the Bulgarian army into Macedonia...

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Ottawa, May 7.—The criminal list of the spring assizes was completed after two hours deliberation...

Paris, May 7.—The Patrie today printed a despatch from the Patrie announcing that Count Harold Charles Dausse, who is the Marquis Dausse and said to reside in New York...

There is a rumour that the Marquis Dausse is planning to visit Canada. The Marquis is a well-known sportsman and is believed to be mentally irresponsible.

THE COMMISSION AT LADYSMITH Organizer of Western Federation Explains the Workings of the Union—Executive Holds Private Conference.

The Western Federation was not an incorporated body, though most of the local unions in British Columbia were organized under the Beneficial Societies Act...

Asked by Rev. Dr. Rowe as to his views on the incorporation of unions, witness said that he had advocated incorporation himself and the union to which he belonged was incorporated...

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