but any outsiders who are interested in

TORONTO, Sept. 5.-The Tecu

PAVING WORK GOES

est City Contract

TO TWO CONCERNS

Worswick Paving Company

and Canadian Mineral Rub-

ber Company Share in Lat-

As was expected, the contract for the 150,000 yards of asphalt pavement, tenders for which were opened at last Friday night's meeting of the city council, will be divided between the Worswick Paving Company and the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company, the latter concern being the successful bidder for the big thirty-five mile contract let some months ago. The tenders were called for in four sections. Section A was practically Ward Five; section B, the Hollywood district; section C; Craigdarroch and Ward Three; section four, Burietth and Victoria West. As Gorge road from Douglas street to Manchester street will be the route of the citys pipe line from Sooke lake, it was decided to drop it from the list of streets to be paved at present, but it will be taken up later. This reduces the actual amount of paving to about 135,000 square yards. The bid of the Worswick Paving Company is confined to certain streets in the immediate vicinity of the company's present plant at the corner of Linden and May streets and is for approximately 65,820 yards at a uniform bid of 31,35 per yard, exclusive of grading, excavation, etc. This work will be awarded to the company, The balance of the work, about 70,000 yards, goes to the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company at a rate ranging from \$1,36 to \$1,43 per yard, according to location of the streets. The major part of the bid was at the rate of \$1,40 per yard. The Canadian Mineral Rubber Company's bid, was about eight cents lower than its former bid, the tender being much lower than tenders for similar work received by other cities on the continent.

report of the committee was adopted

FOR RETURN MATCH

by the council, the question of wha streets should first be undertaken by the successful bidders being left to the judgment of the city engineer.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—George Hacken-schmidt left for New York this afternoon, after offering to post \$5,000 for a private return match with Frank Gotch. He was accompanied by Americus and Kerch, two of his wrestling partners. Hackenschmidt will sail from New York on September 9. Hack's offer for a return match with

Hack's offer for a return match with Gitch was offset later by his contradictory statement that after leaving New York he would never again return to America. In the meantime the offer had been carried to Gotch and accepted with the provision that the match be held within two months. This was not accepted by Hackenschmidt, on the ground that his injured knee would not permit his return to the mat in that time.

ime.
Gotch will leave for Humboldt either Friday or Saturday. Gotch's plans are complete, but he said today that he won not begin his world tour for severable.

FOR CITY SCHOOLS

Board of Trustees Purchase

Chief's Complaint

Property in Oaklands and

James Bay Sections-Fire

Owing to the growth of the school

population and the increased demands

upon school accommodation the school

board has been forced to secure sites

for three more schools. At a special

meeting of the board held yesterday

afternoon two additional sites were de-

cided upon to afford accommodation in

the Oaklands and James Bay sections.

The board will purchase fourteen lots

in block 2, section 48. Oaklands. be-

tween Lionel and Asquith streets, com-

prising about two acres, at a cost of

\$8,500 and also a size at the northeast

corner of Simcoe and Oswego streets

for \$17,000. This latter site comprises

about one acre. A site is also de-

sired somewhere on the Burnside road

and offers of suitable sites in that

neighborhood will be advertised for by

The resignations of W. H. miller and

. H. Waddington from the teaching

staff were accepted with regret. Mr

Donald Cameron was appointed to the

\$100 per month.

e discontinued.

nanual training staff at a salary of

Fire Chief Davis wrote complaining

of the use of the assembly room or

school, pointing out the danger to chil-

dren in case of fire. Owing to the lack

of accommodation the board has been

forced to use this room for classroom

purposes, but just as soon as more ac

ommodation is available its use will

Cut by Mowing Machine

WAINWRIGHT, Alb., Sept. 5 .-

David Springer had his leg severed at

the ankle yesterday afternoon by a

mowing machine. His cousin was

the third floor of the North

SECURES NEW SITES

HACK'S OFFER

EMPRESS CREW

Marine Court Held at Yokohama Finds that Stranding of White Liner Was Due to **Unusual Currents**

News was brought by the steamer Oanfa that Capt. Archibald and officers of the R. M. S. Empress of China, wrecked July 26th on Mera reef off the entrance to Tokyo bay, were exonerated by the marine court of enquiry which found the wreck was due to the steamer being 18 miles from her course in thick weather as a result of extraordinary currents following the typhoon of the previous day. The court which sat at Yokohama was composed of the British vice-consul, Thos. Harrington, Cant. R. D. Owen of the Blue Funnel steamer Ajax and Capt. G. J. Coldwell of the Socotra. The fog signals on Cape Nojima were not being given at the time of the wreck and it was considered that the stranding would have been averted had they been sounded.

The decision of the court said: "It appears from the evidence given before the court that this vessel sailed from Vancouver on or about the 14th day of July, 1911, bound for Yokohama (on the way to Hongkong) with general cargo and mails and a crew of 242 hands all told, as well as 181 passen-

"That Inubovesaki was passed about midnight on July 26th after heavy weather approaching typhoon force earlier in the day, anat after passing Inuboyesaki a proper course was set to continue the journey past the land at Katsuura. That the said course and the subsequent changes of course to the time of stranding were such as to con stitute a more than ordinarily safe track along the coast. That the calculated position of the vessel at the noment of striking worked out according to the records in the log-book and the evidence of the master and the first mate as to the course was about 1 miles to sea from her actual position on the rocks at Nojima. That subsequent to losing sight of the light at Inuboyesaki no land was seen till after the vessel struck, nor was any light

seen at Nojima. "That the master and officers of the watch knew of the existence of explosive fog-signals at Nojima, that neither they nor the lookout, nor the quarter master at the wheel, heard any sound thereof, and that they had consequently no warning from this source as to their proximity to land. That the early hours of July 27th were roggy at intervals, and that besides the fog at sea a band of dense smoke or mist enveloped the land into the appearance of another band of fog.

"That the shore along this part of Japan is subject to varying and uncertain currents subject to sudden and severe changes after a strong storm such as it is a matter of common knowledge to the court occurred with exceptional violence off that coast of Japan on the 26th of July.

"That the Empress of China was well found and officered, the watch properly set, and every precaution taken in speed, sounding, lookout, etc., that seamanship could suggest. "That after striking, so far as the

evidence given shows, everything proper and necessary was done by the master. certificated officers and crew in the interests of the ship and cargo, and particularly in securing the safe and rapid landing of passengers

"The court having regard to the circumstances as above stated finds: "That the stranding of the s.s. Em

press of China was due to the vessel having been set out of her course 18 nautical miles to the northeast by a strong and unusual current, of the existence of which the master had no knowledge and no means of knowing, and to the mistiness and obscurity which left him in ignorance of his proximity to the shore.

"That all ordinary precautions to pre vent such a disaster had been taken by the master, a disaster which could only have been averted had some signal or warning been perceptible from the shore."

Bannockburn Libeled

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 5 .- The British steamer Bannockburn, which was ready to sail for Portland and Vancouver to finish discharging, has been delayed by a large number of libel suits as the result of a collision off Dover The libellants are the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance company, \$29,000, for cargo lost; Parrott & Co., goods furnished, \$22,500; Mery & Co., liquors, \$1,734; Tanquary, Gordon & Co., Ltd. gin, \$190; and Meyer Wilson & Co., \$1,600 for loss and damage to cargo of steel bars, en route from Antwerp to

OFFICIAL DOES NOT SEE POACHERS

Mr. Ledwell Informs Evening Paper That no Alien Fishermen Are in

P. J. Ledwell, fishery inspector of the steam whaler Germania, is the latest official of the Dominion government to be quoted by the Times as denying that poaching is going on off the west coast of Vancouver Island, Notwithstanding this there were 23 alien fishing vessels, mostly small launches, inside the three-mile limit, on Wednes day last and some time before there were 16 inside the bay near Bonilla point. Mr. Ledwell, fishery inspector, re cites his failure to sight any of the poachers and the Times says: "No alien fishermen in forbidden waters.' and quotes Mr. Ledwell as saying:

"When we were passing Nitinat, where the alleged poaching is supposed to be taking place, all the schooners we saw were seven miles from land. No doubt the schooners do

possible to prevent this, as if the pa-trol boats were stationed there all the time the poachers would be busy at the north end of the island and the Conservative organs would then be find ing some cause for complaint there.

"While cruising about in the north we were unable to discover any halibut schooners proving about the threemile limit. It may not be generally known that the Germania has on three different occasions captured valuable sets of nets and other fishing gear within the last few months off this coast. The schooners have sighted us coming and rather than be capt have sacrificed their nets to the patrol hoat As the result of losing so much gear I believe that the fishermen dee it more advisable policy to stay outside the three-mile limit. On former trips along the west coast I have sighted many halibut fishermen close to the line but this time they were all a reasonable distance off."

Officers of the steamer Grey-formerly the Petriana-owned by the same company as the Germania, had a differ ent story to tell when they last arrived Victoria. The Grey then reported that a large fleet of poachers was engaged-this was about two weeks agowithin three miles of the Vancouve Island coast, and on the previous voyage the officers of the steamer also told of poaching and made a report to the local agent of marine and fisheries to advise him that poaching was going on. On her last voyage to Victoria from the west coast whaling stations the Grey reported that at least a hundred vessels were engaged near the island coast, the majority of them being inside the three-mile limit. On that voyage the Grey passed close to two vessels which were inside the three-mile limit, the names of these bing read, one be ing the Pioneer No. 2 of Seattle, the other the Discovery. An officer took bearings of their position and found both considerably within the three-mile limit. Officers of the Grev stated that the poachers were hauling in fish by

On the last trip of the steamer Tees to the west coast a poaching schooner was anchored at Friendly cove when the vessel called there on her way to Quatsino.

Capt. Holmes Newcombe, who commanded the government fishery cruiser Kestrel, now tied up, and who is now on the tug William Jolliffe, a fishery protection official who has done much to induce the Dominion government to protect the fisheries of B. C., and who has been a strenuous worker to that end differs from Mr. Ledwell. When he was asked if the fishing grounds of B. C. were depleted by poachers he said: "They undoubtedly are." He was referring to the northern halibut banks on that occasion. He said in a report made two years ago to the Dominion government-his recent reports have not been permitted to reach the public in the blue books as formerly-"When I first went north six years ago, it was not uncommon for a fishing steamer to spend a couple of days on the grounds and go south with from 150,000 to 180,-

ered lucky. "That the grounds are being depleted shown by the diminishing size of the halibut. Four years ago the average size of the fish taken was 60 pounds. often halibut of 150 pounds were taken; In a catch of 140,000 taken south some weeks ago, the average weight of the halibut comprising it was but 12 ounds. Any fisherman will tell you that when the fish are diminishing in weight as rapidly as are the catches of the fishing fleet in northern waters, the grounds are being rapidly depleted."

000 Now a vessel that gets a catch

like that in 18 days' fishing is consid-

OANFA ARRIVES

Blue Funnel Liner Missed Path of Three Typhoons en Route to This Port-Brought Many Chinese

The steamer Oanfa, Capt. Lycett, of the Blue Funnel line, reached the outer wharf on Sunday and left on Monday morning for Tacoma, after disembarking 438 Chinese, of whom 179 paid the head tax, contributing \$89,500 to the customs receipts. There were two cabin passengers. Messrs. S. W. and W. B. Warden, sons of the United States physician at Yokohama. The Oanfa brought a large cargo including much tea and silk, there was 600 bales of silk. For Victoria she has 1,367 tons, which will be discharged here tomorrow, consisting mostly of general merchandise from the United Kingdom. There is a total of 4,000 tons for Vancouver.

In crossing the Pacific from Yokohama, which port was left August 21, the Oanfa just missed the path of three typhoons, a number of which have been storming about the coasts of the

According to Capt Lycett, the storms were doing comparatively little damage. He passed the stranded hulk of the Empress of China at night, so could say little of her latest condition, although he stated that he understood she had been moved some by the heavy

Extension of Time-The time for receiving tenders for the substructure and erection of the superstructure of the Columbia river bridge at Trail and also tenders for the manufacture and delivery of the superstructure metal, has been extended until the 7th inst.

Appointed Registrar-Mr. E. Burritt of Prince Rupert, has been appointed by the provincial government to the posi tion of registrar of the county cou Atlin held at Prince Rupert, Vice Mr. Arthur Cuthbert, resigned.

LIBRARIANS OPEN CONGRESS HERE

Hon, Dr. H. E. Young Welcomes Delegates from Northwestern Points-Interesting Subjects Discussed

The third annual conference of the Paific Northwest Library association n session in this city, convened on Monday evening in the ball room of the Alexandra club, with the president, Miss Mary Frances Isom, in the chair. Almost every seat in the big hall was filled, and among the audience were many well known Victorains, whose interest in boks lies along practical lines. The meeting was called to order by the President who in the course of few opening remarks pointed out that the most important feature of library work was its co-operation with educational departments either of the city, the province or the state. Hen. Dr. H. E. Young, M. P. P., Provincial Secretary and Minister of Education, then welcomed the delegates in the name of his government, and of the departmen which he represents.

After expressing his regret that owing o the stress of the political campaign he was unable to devote as much attention to the Conference as he would have wished. Dr. Young poinnted out tha while the educational authorities moulded youth along certain lines it was left to the librarian to follow up the work He was the professor of the post graduate course of the educational system. At present the libraries in British Col imbia were in accordance with the edu cational system and were at a formula tive period of their existence.

Dr. Young went on to state that the Premier had promised a million dollars to commence the building of the new Provincial University next spring, and he hoped that one of the first buildings would be the library. Talking of the old days he told of how in the early sixties the sum of \$1,000 had been set aside for a provincial library. At present the library accommodation in the Parliament buildings was entirely inadequate, but when the enlargements were made, a suitable building would be erect-

Greetings From City. His. Worship the Mayor then extended the greetings of the city of Victoria, commencing his address by congratulating Provincial Librarian Scholefield on his success in bringing the convention His Worship said that they were facing the question of doubling the library in Victoria, and he supposed that was generally the case throughout the Northwest. In that library they wanted not only deep books, but light books-that was, of the right kind. He was sure of one thing, and that was that the library had more to do with the solving of the question of the civic evil and making for good citizenship than any other institution in the city today Mr. E. O. S. Scholefield, provincial li orarian, then extended a welcome to the

delegates on behalf of the librarians of the province. To this, the President, Miss Isom, responded. After expressing the pleasure she pointed out that six years ago Portland was the only town in the western states that could boast of a public library. Today all the towns of any size were supplied with one. As librarians they could not rest until libraries and all they taught were universal.

Mr. Chalmers Hadley, librarian of the Public Library, Denver, representing the American Library association, next gave an interesting address on "The Library and the Community."

Steady Development.

The speaker pointed out that the development in library work had gone on steadily for over thirty years, and they could only appreciate its growth by omparing its present status with that of libraries of 1876 when a few librar ians met in Philadelphia and organ zed the American Library association From the small number of libraries exsting then there had come to be not less than 8,000, with more or less social as well as educational influence.

libraries throughout the centuries up till the present day when they were known as "the people's universities" and "altari the gods of joy and learning. also spoke of the work the libraries were doing for the children and for the young people, and closed up with the following prediction: "With an efficient librarian. proper financial support and a loyal public, the library will be what one of its friends has characterized it-"not a lux-

Mr. Hadley traced back the work of

ury, but a broad, universal benefac-Yesterday morning's session of the conference was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Miss Charlotte E. Wallace, of the Seattle public library. who is secretary of the asssociation presented her report, which contained the interesting statement that the membership had increased from 85 to 213 in the last year. The treasurer, Mr. H. M. Douglass, of the University of Oregon library, reported satisfactory statistics Committees on nominations and resolu-

tions were appointed. Miss Gertrude Andrews, superinte ent of the children's department in the Seattle public library, conducted a round table talk on children's work. A paper on "The Children's Share in the Public Library" was read by Miss Jessie M. Carson, children's librarian of the Tacoma public library. She pointed out that the extension of library privileges years ago, and showed how the mov ment had grown.

Miss Jasmine Britton, children's librarian of the public library, Spokane, read an interesting paper on book selection for children, and Miss Lucile F. Fargo, librarian of the North Centra High School library, Spokane, spoke on "The High Schol Problem." The papers were followed bp informal discussion. The section on college and reference work also held a session, conducted by Mr. Charles W. Smith, assistant librarian of the University of Washington li-brary, discussing informally high school

debate work, university department libraries and reserve tooks. During the morning a communication was read from the mayor of Calgary, inviting the association to meet there next year, the invitation being endorsed by Mr. Alex. Calhoun, public librarian, on behalf of the library board. The Bishop of Columbia was among the audience at the Round Table on Children's Work session.

Total of Passengers Carried the audience at the Round Table on Children's Work session.

The Pacific Northwest Library association was organized in Seattle two years ago at a meeting held by the Washington Library association. It is anxious to include in its membership not only those connected with libraries for First Eight Months of Year Shows Growth of Nearly Fifty Per Cent.

Traffic upon the local lines of the B. C. Electric company for the first eight months of the year showed an increase TORONTO, Sept. 5.—The Tecumsehs will leave for the coast next Sunday night to play the winners of the Minto cup, providing that they are champions by that time, and that the N. L. U. gives the Nationals another loss that is coming to them. The Tecumsehs will be in time to see the second play-off for the coast championship. The Tecumsehs have asked Fresident J. Murphy, of the N. L. U., to suggest September 23 and September 30 as the dates against the cup-holders at the coast. over the corresponding period of 1910 of no less than forty-nine per cent. ac cording to figures issued yesterday from the local headquarters of the con Since the first of the year the total number of passengers carried on local lines was 5,152,277 compared with 3,460,-245 for the same period a year ago, an increase of 1,692,032.

For the month of August the good showing made by previous months was continued, the total being 773,958 compared with 504,253 for the month of August a year ago.

Below are given the monthly traffic

| returns for the year | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| with the same months | 1911. | 1910. |
| January | 546,029 | 415,150 |
| February | | 359,325 |
| March | 584,250 | 365,457 |
| April | 575,742 | 428,683 |
| May | 701,445 | 445,235 |
| June | 689,169 | 467,458 |
| July | 758,694 | 474,684 |
| August | 773,958 | 504,253 |
| | | |

Total (8 months) .. 5,152,277 3,460,245

ODDFELLOWS HAVE ENJOYABLE OUTING

Annual Picnic of Independent Order of Oddfellows is Notable Success-Features of Day's Sports at Duncan

Notwithstanding the threatening and gloomy weather which prevailed on the holiday, the annual picnic of the Victoria, Nanaimo, Ladysmith and Duncan lodges of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, held at Duncan, was grand success. The first train to leave the city at

o'clock in the morning was crowded to capacity, and it was found necessary to run a second train to Duncar to accommodate the crowds, and had the weather man put on a better face in the morning there would undoubtedly have been even a much larger number of people participants of the outing. The morning of the day was spent in sightseeing and preparing the grounds for the various events. At 1 o'clock the crowds gathered at the grounds and shortly afterwards the programme was commenced, lasting until about 6 o'clock. In the evening a dance was held in the hall, for which many remained, and these did not return to the city until the late train which left Duncan abou 11 p. m.

During the afternoon two games of baseball were played in whihe the local team showed its superior art in the national game. The games were interesting only because of the burlesque which was manifested throughout. Star plays were few and far between, but errors were numerous. Nothwithstanding all this, the games were amusing to say the least, and were witnessed by a very large number of people. In the first conflict between Victoria and Nanaimo, the home nine easily defeated their op ponents by the score of 14 to 1. The

lineups were as follows: Victoria-F. McConnil, 3b; Thompson cf: Caubet, 2b; Lorimer, 1b; Taylor, rf; Redgrave, lf; M. McConnell, ss; Hux-

table, c. and Hallett, p. Nanaimo-McKenzie, 3b; Greeves, cf Brault, 2b; Thrail, 1b; Grafton, rf; Ferguson, If; Crellin, ss; Jones, c; and

Johnson, p. The second game was equally as one sided as the first, in which Victoria again showed its superiority, defeating Ladysmith by a score of 10 to 0. The local team lined up in the same order as in the first game with the exception of Redgrave, in left field, who was re placed by Rolland, The Ladysmith players were: E. Lauderbach, D. Gourley, F. Knight, G. Williams, F. Kruger, E. Nicholas, W. Dinsmore, C. Lauderbach, F. Bickerton. W. Reid acted in the capacity of official scorer and Billy Cullin, grand master of the Oddfellows in British Columbia, performed the

duties of umpire. A rather unique event was the tugof-war, in which two ladies' teams from Vitcoria and Nanaimo pulled for honors and after two strenuous muscle developing pulls the judges decided in favor of the Victoria aggregation. Owing, however to the closeness of the pull, and the excellent manner in which the Nanaimo ladies fought for honors, it was decided to donate a second prize.

In the tugs-of-war between from the various lodges. Victoria team emerged victorious after several and exciting pulls. There was mu terest shown in these events, and they were all very close conflicts. The officers who are deserving of

eredit for the manner in which they arranged and conducted the picnic were President, Bro. T. J. W. Hick, P. G.; ecretary, Bro. J. F. Wilson; starter, Bro. H. McKenzie; announcer. Bro. T. Hubbard; judges, Bros, Handlan, Nanaimo: Taylor, Ladysmith; Dickens Duncan, and Wilby, Victoria. The races resulted as follows:

Hundred yards-Sid Thompson, 1; E. Christmas, 2. Duncan.

Wheelbarrow race-R. Wilson, Lady mith, 1; H. Thompson, Victoria, 2. Obstacle race-Jack Binson, West nolme, 1; G. Thempson, Duncan, 2. mowing hay and did not notice young Springer until the accident occurred. Fifty yards, under 10 years-Robert Anderson, Victoria, 1; W. Currie, Lady-

smith, 2; Robert Gordon, Ladysmith, 8.
Fifty yards, under 10 years—Gladys
Philips, Victoria, 1; Dorothy Thompson,
Victoria, 2; J. Humphries, Duncan, 3;
Emily Anderson, Victoria, 4.
Fifty yards, second race—D. Daily,
Nansimo, 1; Hazel Doherty, Nansimo, 2; Julia, Kick

E. Anderson, Victoria, 3; Julia Kick, Boys under 16 years—Jack Pinson, Westholme, 1; E. Lauderbach, Lady-

smith, 2; J. Blackley, Ladysmith, 3. Girls under 16 years—J. Clayton, Victoria, 1; Ruth Shertt, Victoria, 2; M. Heard Duncan, 3, 440 yards-Ambler Vere, Victoria, 1

W. Dynn, Victoria, 2. Single ladies-Marien Herd, Someno Jessie Herd, Somenos, 2; Muriel Herd, omenos, 3.

Fat man's race-A. J. Cleary, Vicoria, 1; C. H. Tite, Victoria, 2. Married ladies-Mrs. Bushell, Vicoria, 1; Mrs. Carlson, Victoria, 2; Mrs. Currie, Ladysmith, 3.

Nail-driving contest-Mrs.

Victoria, 1; Mrs. Manser, Victoria, 2 Mrs. Wilby, Victoria, 3. Tug-of-war (ladies) - Victoria-Mes dames Wilby, Manser, Painter, Misses Brooke, Chislett and Lee. Nanaimo-Mesdames Grafton, New on, Crossan, McRae, Kirkpatrick and

Tug-of-war (men)-Victoria-Messrs. Reid, Wilkinson, Cleary, Vere, Wilson, Tite and Other.

VICTIM OF RUNAWAY

William Williams Sustains Injuries Which May Prove Patal

William Williams, an employe at Humber's brickyard, was the victim of an accident on Monday at noon, which may cost him his life. The unfortunate man had delivered a cartload of bricks and other material from the yard at the exhibition grounds, and was en route to the city on the return trip, when the horses, a spirited team, became frightened and made a dash which precipitated Williams to the ground with great force. The accident occurred on Queen's

avenue in the vicinity of the George Jay school and was witnessed by a numbe of passersby who speedily lent the injured man all aid possible. On it being discovered that he was unconscious, the ambulance was summoned and he was conveyed to St. Joseph's hospital, where he now lies. It was feared that he had sustained a fracture of the skull and but small hope was at first entertained for his recovery, but enquiries made at the hospital last evening, show that he is conscious and progressing well. Mr. Williams was in the employ of the Humber firm for the past fourteen years and bore an excellent reputation

WORK TO BE FINISHED IN THREE YEARS

Construction to Commence at Once on Additions to Parliament Square Which are to Cost \$1,000,000

No time is being lost by Messrs MacDonald & Wilson, the contractors who have been so successful as to secure the construction of the new provincial buildings, in getting to upon their important undertaking, the execution of which will mean a disbursement of practically one million dollars in this city. The contractors have already awarded a secondary contract to the Westholme Lumber Co. for the erection at once of handsome offices here, for use during the progress of c. struction, plans for these having been drawn by Mr. F. M. Rattenbury. It is expected that the entire work now under contract will be completed within three years, leaving only the new printing house and museum to be erectel to complete the stately structures of Parliament square.

General Conference-At a full meeting of the provincial executive held yester day, a general conference with the representatives of various special interests affected with respect to the utilization of the acquired Songhees reserve property here, took place, no definite plan for the partition of the valuable property being to the fore and the dis cussion being in the nature of a genera talk over the situation. The city of Victoria was represented by His Worship Mayor Morley and City Solicitor McDiarmid; the Canadian Pacific Railway company by Mr. R. Marpole, gen- | Capt. S. F. Mackenzie, has foundered eral executive agent, Mr. Cambie and Mr. Busteed; the Canadian Northern Pacific company by Mr. T. G. Holt. executive agent, and Mr. Lewis, construction superintendent; and the local bel line by Dr. A. T. Watt and Mr. Harold B. Robertson.

Esquimalt Sewerage-A deputation of residents from the Esquimalt district, for whom Mr. R. H. Pooley acted as spokesman, yesterday interviewed Hon Dr. Young, provincial secretary and head of the health department, with a view to the securing of special governmental assistance in floating the district bonds to the extent of \$125,000, which sum is required for the carrying forward of sewerage works described in detail some months ago and the urgent necessity for which each day grows more evident. It is understood that some difficulty is being experienced by the Esquimalt folk in floating bonds, the Toronto firm which had undertaken to underwrite the loan being of the opinion that the district assess ment is scarcely high enough to justifu the venture. It is now suggested that the government may aid the district in this necessary work by supplying a guarantee of interest. The matter has been taken under advisement by provincial authorities

New Highway-A new highway ha been built and formally established by the provincial public works department tion, in the Ymir district.

At Last, A Cure For Rheumatism

"I was a helpless cripple from Rheu. matism for nearly a year. All down the right side, the pain was dreadful and ould not move for the agony. I was treated by two physicians without help. "I saw 'Fruit-a-tives' advertised in The Telegram' and decided to try them After I had taken one box, I was much better.

"When I had taken three boxes. I could use my arm and the pain was al most gone.

"After taking five boxes, I was entirely well again. The cure of my case by 'Fruit-a-tives' was indeed splendid because all the doctors failed to ever relieve me. 'Fruit-a-tives' cured me. "MRS LIZZIE BAXTER

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SIR T. SHAUGHNESSY ON FLYING TRI

President of C. P. R., with Directors of Company, on Annual Tour of Inspection -Won't Talk on Politics

What is fully entitled to description as a flying visit was paid Victoria vas terday by Sir Thomas G. Shaughn president of the C. P. R. company Messrs. R. B. Angus, H. S. Holt, of Montreal and Mr. W. D. Matthews of Toronto, members of the company's directorate, Messrs. E. T. Galt and E C. P. Cushing of Montreal, and Mr. L M. Nanton, of Winnipeg. The presiden of Canada's pioneer transcontinents system, is, as he himself expresses "on a straight tour of inspection" of the road," which tour ends here, time not being available for an overloo the associated E. & N. railway and its extensions at present under construc tion. The party has adopted the practice since leaving Montreal of travel ing by day and making night stop-overs this rule holding good across the continent and along the route of the Crow Nest Pass division by which route Sir Thomas and his companions came the coast. Victoria was not even grant ed the usual full night, as the officia party left by the midnight steamer o their return to Vancouver. They will proceed eastward from that city t morrow. In redemption of his general notice to newspapermen sent out by the Associated Press prior to the departure from Montreal, Sir Thomas on politics is as dumb as the much-quoted oyster and this trip is one of business exclusively and the has no time to talk poli tics, directly or by inference, and from this decision he will not be beguiled, THORDIS FOUNDERS

OFF KAMCHATKAN COAST Norwegian Steamer Formerly in Bri ish Columbia Trade Lost When Eu Boute from Vladivosto The Norwegian steamer

which was formerly employed oish Columbia waters under charter off the west coast of Kamchatka, cording to advices received from Vi vostok. The steamer went down two weeks ago. The passengers and crew were saved. The steamer Was under charter to the Russian voluntees fleet and was en route from Vladivostok to Kamchatka.



Almost every American State Health is carrying on a crusade against him.

His filthy origin and habits, and the fact that his body is generally laden with disease-producing terms, makes him one of the greatest enemies of the human race. If the housekeepers of Canada will use

WILSON'S Fly Pads

Lieutenant-Gov mier McBrid at Inaugurat Fair Yesterd

bed as other ual exhibition is Honor Lieut. al way, set the the crowd w which us v and Va s gone do splendid a plethora of which mig ally the bron ine stock, to say cal programi Boy Scout and those present die Forma

At about 2:30 Scouts, in which from different s med a guard o the Lieutenant-C erson, Premier Ellison, minister Worship Mayor M president of the ricultural Society Fullerton, a me management. Th was escorted thro grounds and buil Tolmie and Doct tenant-Governor. others expressin lighted at the e plays, especially district exhibits, ized as of astoni of the earliness

Walking to the nitaries 'passed the Boy Scouts, corps and reman appearance. played "God Sav arrival at the st sembled a large was the signal f National Anthem ment band. Her dresses were deli the association's ducing the Lieu Governo

In his opening Paterson referre he was identifie cultural associat vears, he was i ate that what buildings had ily. The show all round, was Victoria had e It represented. hard work, and opportunity to sponsible. The be given their s of them were i Victoria year faithful natror ledged. He st appreciation of expended in th by attending making it a po be possible for a surplus—so

been unable to The exhibition Victoria than r ize. He took ive appearance ment as one tha voted support cause of the go among the gr then formally the Victoria E

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There was li Premier McBrid servations of H presentatives ment, however might be perm dwelt on the sh Frequently sumental in layir wealth. Some the centres in took place wer as mere perfun sidered. They time exhausted and the mone way. There v elf so readil exhibition of a ritish Colur so diversified. the lumber and eople were in ing. Therefor

essential for worth while. From what observe that up to those w that was required was what His Governor had sympathy and the wished to turn out in reshowing their a een prepared