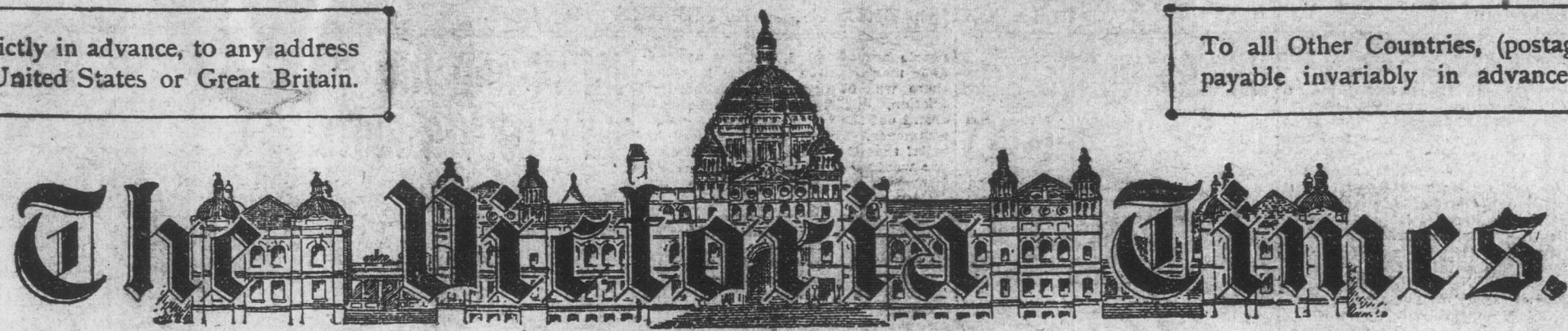


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SCHOOL PERMITS FOR CHINESE

MATTER OCCUPIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Still Adheres to Former Decision in the Face of Promised Litigation.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

In the face of promised litigation the board of school trustees last evening decided to abide by its former decision in respect to Chinese children, namely, to exclude all who cannot speak sufficient English to make them amenable to discipline, from the city schools.

The matter was discussed for a considerable time, and Trustees Huggatt and McKeown expressed themselves as favoring the withdrawal of the former motion and the accommodation of the applicants.

Mr. Peters had sent a letter to the board and appeared in person to support it with a personal argument. His object was to induce the board to support it with a personal argument.

Dear Sir—I am instructed in the interest of several Chinese boys who have been refused admission to the public schools in Victoria.

As I understand, the position of affairs is as follows: There are, I believe, about 20 Chinese children who have been refused admission to the public schools in Victoria.

I also understand from you that permits have been granted to all Chinese applicants who were in Victoria before the 1st of April last, and if this is correct, which I do not doubt, the question immediately at issue will be confined entirely to the children who have arrived here since the 1st of April.

The question raised is one of principle, and my clients now wish to present their case, with a view, if necessary, of taking legal steps to enforce what they believe to be their rights.

I understand from you that the school board is bound to supply such children with a separate room and teacher. This course has in the past been followed by the board.

The Chinese in Victoria pay a large amount of school tax, and it is submitted that this course has in the past been followed by the board.

If a similar number of French-Canadian children unable to speak English, and there are many of them, should apply for admission to the schools, should they not be admitted?

I understand from you that the board has not acted on any such proposition, and have taken the same view that I submitted to you verbally, viz. That the return of the \$500 is not absolutely between the individual child and the government, to be decided when the application is made.

I sincerely hope some solution of this question may be arrived at, but I am positive to take legal steps to enforce my clients' rights, and that quickly, as the matter is slipping away quickly.

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