William Booth, Pioneer of Califorfornia and B. C., Dies in This City.

Stirring Scenes Crossing the Plains about, the With the Ill-fated Donner Party.

scenes in which he was so conspicuous an actor, the incidents of his eventful life move in panoramic succession before the eyes of those who knew him here in the comparatively "early days," and, more than ever when he was alive and moved among them, these veterans now realize that "Booth was a remarkable

It was in Staffordshire, England, that he was sorn, and that was 86 years ago. His early life was spent in his native land, and when he emigrated to America in 1842, landing from a sailing ship at New Orleans, a young wife accompanied him to aid in the making of their home in the western world. For three years that the posticular of affairs became so desperate that the man who died in this city yesterday was selected to go on ahead on foot and alone from the eventful spring of '46 arrived—and, listening to the many voices that seemed listening to the many voices that seemed whose mission was to find a way to civaling the head of Bear river crossing—a forlorn hope whose mission was to find a way to civaling the head of Burnaby and whose mission was to find a way to civaling the head of Burnaby and the unorganized territory adjacent to Burnard Inlet, as

this would mean to the majority of people nothing more than a boxing and
shipping of household treasures, three
days' travelling in a Pullman car, and
the unavoidable inconveniences of moving. Things were very different, however, in 1846. No railroad then crossed
the continent beinging its a travelling in the continent being in the the continent, bringing its extremest points into close and advantageous relationship—and from East to West the

having joined fortunes with Mr. Booth in America, and these, with their entire possessions, their families, and provisions sufficient for the long westward he returned to his occupation of teaming

gave their leader's name when Mr. Booth and his people reached that point, having crossed the desert on the Truckee route. Ahead, an almost precipitous bluff apparently forbade further progress, and this had sent the Donner com-

pany into camp,
With their haunting shortage of supplies, and no chance of replenishing the stores, the Booths dared not delay, and so necessity spurred their endeavors. and after prospecting the country round about, the problem was solved. The men of the Booth family went to work with picks and shoved and in less than a day a road had been

built by which the passage of the preci-pice was rendered not impracticable. In the death of William Booth at the Angel hotel, in this city yesterday, British Columbia lost its sole member of the

siderably more than fifty, half a dozen only remained alive, the others, one by one, having succumbed to starvation, died of the cold, or crazed and bereft of human sensibilities lived on by resorting to cannibalism.

The scarcity of their supplies as they

the eventful spring of '46 arrived—and, listening to the many voices that seemed to tell of fortunes to be made in the magic unknown land farther on, Mr. Booth and his people decided to cross the continent and take up land in Oregon.

In these closing days of the century

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Legislation Proposed for the Establishment of These Practical Rural Associations.

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snow. The storm continued for days, holding the Donner family prisoners in their camp until, weeks later, relief was taken them from Suter's Fort (now Sataken them from Suter

ties of Matsqui, Mission and Dewdney, and adjacent territory, as may be defined by the lieutenant-governor in council.

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ther had for himself.
With these treasures the messenger started back alone and on foot over the hitherto untraversed country, rejoining his family and bringing to them the means of life.

At first Mr. Booth and his family took up land in the vicinity of what is now Marysville, the remainder of their party soing on to the Santa Clara valley. The Chilliwack, Sumas and Kent.

Maple Ridge—To include the municipalities of Maple Ridge and Coquitlam.

Division No. 3—Interior.
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curing and distributing seeds, plants and animals of new and valuable kinds.

(d.) By offering prizes for essays and questions of scientific inquiries relating to agriculture, horticulture, arboriculture, arboricultu

NO BOODLING AT VICTORIA.

I do not hesitate for one moment to say I believe there is a much higher sense of official dignity and honor on this side of the line than there is on the other side, and there could not well be a more striking illustration of the truth of this statement than the fact that of this statement than the fact that there is just being completed under govern-ment supervision here a new capitol building for British Columbia, a splendid structure, with not a breath of suspicion that not a member of the government or legislature has made a dollar out of it improperly. With an expenditure of three-quarters of a million dollars there

has never been any charge of the misappropriation of a cent.

Of course there are dishonest men in

A PRIVATE telegram from Alberni yes-terday gave the acceptable news that out of three tons of rock from the Consoli-dated Alberni mine a return of \$500 had been obtained. Such a showing is one of which all interested in Vancouver Is-

An especially interesting lecture on an An especially interesting lecture on an exceedingly appropriate topic for the benefit of the famine fund is arranged for the evening of Thursday next at A.O.U.W. hall, under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor, the Premier, the Mayor and the Bishop of Columbia. The subject is "India, its Péoples, Palaces and Tombs," and the lecturer is Mr. J. W. Laing, M.A., F.R.G.S., a gentleman admirably qualified to deal with it instructively and entertainingly.

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Salmo, the Embryotic City-Immensely Rich Territory Tributary to That Town.

Angel hotel, in this city pesterday, British Columbia lost its sole member of the little band of indomitable pioneers who, having won imperishable fame as the argonauts of California, followed for enforcement perspective of the province is a seried of its following that of might possible of enforcement in the present property of this province is a seried of the following the foundation upon which the great West passed safely through the troubles that beset its infancy, the late Mr. Booth was a man of strong individuality and recognized personal force, Fearing no man, open as the day, ragged ality and recognized personal force, fearing no man, open as the day, ragged lating when the benchman when the Donners' came on they to make the south when the Donners' came on they to make the south when the south when the british column which are the properties of the institute of the province is a seried of enforcement of the advantages of or turn of the control of the advantages of the advantages of the main present property of this province is set or the province is set or town is going to build up very rapidly. The townsite is on the Salmon river, about 22 miles south of Nelson, with Waneta about a similar distance to the south-west and Trail west some 30 miles. Salmo is at the junction of the North Fork and the main Salmon river and from Toad mountain, 15 miles to the north, all the streams trend southward, emptying into the Pend d'Oreille and then into the Columbia river, so, Mr. Jones says, that naturally Salmo is a base for the whole district. Then from the south there is an easy road from the South Fork of the Salmon with a shorter distance to haul than the present line along the Pend d' Oreille to Waneta. An immense number of mining claims 175,000 have been staked out in the district. An immense number of mining claims have been staked out in the district, fully 700 on the North Fork, 400 on the the Oriental, is travelling for the Okangan Flour Mills, but like the

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some fine specimens have been brought down by Mr. Jones to show people what the new district can turn out in mineral. There is, however, some free milling ore on the North Fork of the Salmon. The boints into close and advantageous relationship—and from East to West the country was not dotted as now with frequent prosperous cities, towns and villages.

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Instead, the West bound pland in the Saimon. The pland of the Saimon. The sale e on the North Fork of the Salmon. The country east of Salmon river, and lying between it and the Kootenay lake, including Sheep and fost Creeks is going to take a tremendous jumpin the spring, Mr. Jones predicts, for there are numbers of prospectors only waiting for the enow to go so that they may get over the district.

M. McMillan, of Fairview, was showing possessions, their families, and provisions sufficient for the long westward passage, filled ten huge, canwas-hooded wagons drawn by patient oxen—the prairie schooners that, until the railways succeeded them, were as much a distinguishing mark of the moving tide of civilization as were the whitening skeletons. The intention of the Booth company on starting out from St. Jo was to make direct for Oregon, but when Fort Hall, the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was had of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was shad of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was that of the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was the course of the slow moving fleet was altered, and the relating to first the course of the slow moving fleet was altered, and the relation of the Provincial Secretary.

In 151 the adventurous crosser of the sire will arts, and the useful arts, and the nesting of the sir will attend to his occusation of the sire wilderness, and the useful arts. Was present and played at the Grintal yesterday afternoon to an admiring group some splendid ore specimens. Among them was ore from the

Aulay Morrison, M.P., for Westminster, who is at the Driard, related last night with much amusement how he was taken for an emissary sent down to Olympia with British gold to buy up the Washington legislature. Being anxious to post himself as to the feeling in Washington regarding the protection of the salmon fishery, he went down to Olym-pia with Mr. D. J. Munn, the Westminster canner, to see the outcome of the bill brought before the Washington legislature to do away with the traps.

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HEARD IN THE HOTELS, what was in a surprise to see his visit persided in the press in Seattle and Committee to see what was as surprise to see his visit herefided in the press in Seattle and Orangia as having taken over a load of gold purchase the passage of the act. However, he enjoyed his right and spectal highly of the right his visit and speaks highly of the pleas-ant time he spent among Uncle Sam's citizens.

R. T. Daniel, of Spokane, is now interested in British Columbia mines, but once he was a cattle rancher in Washington. The plant and onto the washington. Attention of Capitalists—Townsite of Texada.

H. A. Jones, resident agent for the West Kootenay Land Company of Salmo, the new town that has just been once he was a cattle rancher in Washington. The pluck and enterprise he has shown in opening up the Little Joker mine belonging to the Lookout Mountain Mining Co., in which he is largely interested, is proved by the following incident of his early career:

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William Blewett, who came down from Texada island yesterday, says that the Raven will ship five hundred sacks of ore this week, and the Van Anda one hundred tons. It may be mentioned in this connection that a syndicate of Nanaimo and Vancouver men are pre-

Rev. C. Saugstad, who arrived yesterday from Bella Coola, is at the Domin-ion hotel. He reports that things are moving nicely at the settlement, and that the whari recently built there by the government is of great assistance to the settlers. One of the objects of Mr. Saugstad's trip is to purchase some horses, cows and hogs to take back with him to Bella Coola.

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HENRY BOWE jal6

THE SAILORS EXP

Partial Hearing of the Pending Against the " horn's" Crew.

Construction of Four New Canneries Contemplated-Wolcott Disposed Of

Magistrate Macrae presided morning at the opening of th the eleven sailors at present t rest for refusing duty on the Br Lyderhorn. Mr. George E. P. peared for Captain Weston an E. A. Robertson for the defence Weston testified to the refus crew to work the ship after a from Chemainus, their complain that Newman, the keeper of the boarding house at Port Townse 'done them' out of their money, and they would rather than to sea if they did not get a settlement. Thomas New self in court, and claimed show by his books that the ame charged the men were all righ remand in order that the might be produced from Port To A. McKenzie and William Car A. McKellors also told their sto of the sailors, also told their sto effect that though they had onled a few days with Newman treceived from their advance to \$40 only a very small sum, the Newman deducted for board be gether too great. Another adjo was then granted till Monday at llow Newman to produce his NEW CANNERIES IN ERECT

If all the canneries contemp erected, the present year will expecially important one in the of the fishing industry in British Columbia. Not more fortnight ago a canner from Wash., announced his intention ing a large and modern estab for the handling of salmon at Inlet, and he went North for pose of carrying his plans into e The Boscowitz, which carried hi returned last evening, and repo other prospective canneriers, which is now in course of er River's Inlet, for Mr. Lord, a c the Fraser. He it is, too, w the Fraser. He it is, too, we build the third cannery on the I this, as also the one construction, will be of capacity than ordinarily. Oliver, of the Boscowitz, is the construction of the capacity than ordinarily. man with a cannery in view, a last trip he selected a site at C with the intention, it is under building. The steamer had Queen Charlotte Islands and t but notwithstanding this she r trip in the exceptionally fast twelve days. The steamer's ca the islands visited included a able quantity of dog fish oil. her passengers for Victoria wer Todd, the Northern Indian ag A. Carthew, Captain Wood, been prospecting on Queen Islands, Mr. Brett and family, F

THE MISSING "AIDA." Last Sunday's San Francisco publishes the following: "These steamer Sakura Maru, froulu to Yokohama, reports that ary 24 a derelict schooner of tons was sighted in 34 deg. 15 m latitude, 143 deg. east lond danger to navigation." Fears tained locally lest the derelimissing schooner Aida, under of Capt. Anderson, of the

says a Port Townsend The position of the vess the direct route of vessels b China to Puget Sound, and is 250 miles southeast of Japan. sailed on December 1, and the typhoon which nearly found bark Fresno and the steamship thus occurred on December 1 sponse to a petition from the c commerce, the secretary of the has dispatched the United St enue cutter Perry to go in sear Aida. The cutter went to sea

CUTTER "WOLCOTT" SO The United States revenue c cott brought \$3,050 when put tion on Friday. The bid wi graphed to Washington, and if as it undoubtedly will be, the be turned over to its new owne Joshua Green, Peter Falk at Willey. "We would have got as \$6,000 had it been necessa Willey, after the sale. "The after the cutter comes into o sion will be to have her inspec any repairs necessary will be the interior will be fitted up f ger service. We have had offers on the boat, but yet ready to say what d will be made of her. It is she will be operated by run to Alaska points, making to Cook inlet or the Yukon. that goes, we will send her any Joshua Green, Peter Falk a Willey. "We would have go that goes, we will send her any can get a load of passengers."

THE "MACKINAW'S" DAM The steamer Mackinaw, the rier which stranded on Point stone recently, and afterware stone recently, and afterware lying alongside of the dock at settled down on a rock and stored in her bottom, will have to the cargo of 3,500 tons of coal the dry dock for permanent reports in the cargo of 3,500 tons of coal the dry dock for permanent reports in the length having been her bottom. Where the vesse is not yet announced, but if the not taken out of her she will have to come to Esquimalt.

AN UNCHARTED ISLAN

AN UNCHARTED ISLAN Captain C. L. Hooper, R. manding the Behring sea flee ported, says an exchange, island, Prince William sound, island, Prince William sound, ied. It is about seven-eighths long and one-third of a mile 200 feet elevation. It is conhemical position is: La degrees 31 minutes north; 147 degrees 33 minutes west. shown on the next edition of graphic charts.

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