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MINING INSTITUTE ELECTS OFFICERS

Annual Meeting is Held at Ottawa—Fleet Robertson Re-Elected

At the tenth annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute, held at the Russell house, Ottawa, Ontario, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday last, Dr. Willet G. Miller, provincial geologist for Ontario, was elected president of the institute for the year 1908-9 in succession to Frederick Keefer, of Greenwood, engineer in charge of the mines of the British Columbia Copper company, whose term of office expired on the announcement of the result of last week's election.

ANTIOCHUS IS ON HER WAY FROM JAPAN

Blue Funnel Steamer Follows Liners Now on Way Across Pacific to This Port

The Blue Funnel liner Antiochus, which has about 1,000 tons of general freight for this port from Liverpool and the United Kingdom, left Yokohama on Friday for here, and is due about March 26. The steamer Kumorie which left Yokohama on February 28 went to Hakodate for a large shipment of sulphur for the Victoria Chemical works, and left there on Tuesday last for Victoria. She is due here about March 17. The Japanese liner Tampo maru, of the Nippon Yusen kaisha, which sailed for Yokohama on Wednesday and is due March 18, has 79 passengers, including six Chinese for the port, and 288 tons of general freight, mostly Chinese and Japanese provisions, to be landed here. The steamer Tencar arrived at Singapore on Thursday, on her way from Liverpool to this port on her fourth voyage, and is due next month. The steamer Shawmut of the Boston Steamship company, left Yokohama February 25, and is due about March 15.

Fencing Championship The fencing championships of Canada will be held on April 3 and 4 in Toronto, and the wrestling will be held in Association Hall, this city, March 20 and 21, by Central V. M. C.

OBJECTION IS RAISED TO THE "MINER'S INCH"

Provincial Mineralogist Would Do Away With Method of Measurement

A resident in Victoria recently sent to a friend in the interior of the province, who is deeply interested in the irrigation question, a copy of the report of the irrigation commission issued a short time since by the provincial government. In acknowledging receipt of the report the recipient wrote: "Truly this is a valuable document, and the government are deserving of much commendation for having secured the services of one eminently capable of probing so deeply into this very important question, the irrigation of the arid lands of the province. Not all the intricate phases of this question are placed before us in this report, but enough are offered to show how essential it is that the near future should witness a measure of legislation dealing with this matter. It would be well, however, to make haste slowly, for no question ever presented to the people of the province contained greater potentialities. By way of, there is one recommendation in the report which should be acted upon at once; that is the designation in cubic feet per second of a flow of water contained in, or represented by, a certain number of miner's inches."

In regard to this it is pointed out by a local mining authority that the provincial mineralogist, in the annual report of the minister of mines for 1905 (p. 48) stated: "In British Columbia a miner's inch of water is defined as a quantity of water, but a flow of water equal to 1.68 cubic feet per minute, practically 100 cubic feet per hour. This, it is thought, is stated in another act, a definition which differs from this. Both the provincial mineralogist and C. E. Mohm, C. E., have before now urged the provincial government to do away entirely with 'miner's inch' in connection with legislative enactments. It is possible this question will be dealt with when the provincial legislature shall again be in session."

MISSION SHIP RETURNS

Columbia Arrives at Vancouver—Scheme for Another Coast Hospital

The mission ship Columbia has arrived at Vancouver from the northeast coast of the island and will remain until tomorrow. Rev. John Andie, who is in charge, said: "We have a scheme on foot for the construction of a large hospital at Alert Bay. This will be larger than either Rock Bay or Van Camps Bay, and we will begin work this spring if the money is forthcoming. We intend to build an Indian wing in the Indian department will donate a subsidy for its upkeep. Alert Bay is a big Indian centre, and we have a lot of work to do among them which really does not come into our field, and therefore we think the Indian department should help. The hospitals at Van Andia and Rock Bay have been very busy and at the latter place especially the accident cases this winter have been so numerous that the superintendent, a very unusual state of affairs. The International Lumber company have asked us to put a hospital at Campbell River, where extensive timber operations will be put in force this spring."

SEALER CHARLIE COX DECLARED FORFEITED

Mr. Justice Martin Hands Down Judgment Condemning the Local Schooner

Mr. Justice Martin yesterday handed down judgment ordering the sealing schooner Charlotte Cox forfeited for illegal sealing, although the boat may be redeemed upon payment of four hundred pounds and costs. No mention is made in the judgment of the skins captured from which it is inferred that they will escape the fate of the vessel. A. F. Jackson, K. C., prosecuted for the admiralty. Fred Peters K. C., appearing for the defense. The full text of the judgment follows: The Exchequer Court of Canada, in Admiralty, March 7, 1908. Law Courts, Victoria, B. C. The King vs. The Charlotte G. Cox.

After full consideration of this important matter, I have reached the conclusion that the master of this schooner must be found guilty of killing seals in contravention of the Behning Sea Award Act 1884. Therefore I declare the schooner and her equipment to be forfeited to His Majesty, but following the precedent established by this court in the Albatross (1884), and the Beatrice, 10, 171, in case of payment of a fine of four hundred pounds and costs, within thirty days she may be released. Press of business now prevents me from attending to this matter but they will be handed down as soon as possible after the coming session of this court, to be held at Vancouver on the 9th inst. is concluded. (Sgd.) ARCHER MARTIN, J.

RUGBY UNION DEALS WITH NANAIMO ROW

Regret of Conduct of Hornet Players Towards Referee Tait

That the British Columbia rugby union regretted the conduct of the Nanaimo rugby players during the Nanaimo match at the Coal City on February 15, was the sum total of a four hour's session held last night at the Diarrid hotel.

John S. Tait, who refereed the game, preferred three charges, first, disordered conduct on the field, and continual disputing of his decisions; second, of being assaulted by a player kicking him in the back; and third, of the players using abusive language to the spectators after the game.

J. E. Miller, president of the rugby union, occupied the chair, and there were also present George Gray, A. Booth, G. Killen, W. E. Moresby, Reggie Woodward, W. Chilton, W. H. P. Sweeney, J. McKinnel, and J. S. Tait.

The proceedings consisted of allegations by the Vancouver contingent and absolute denials by the Nanaimo players. The Nanaimo players, Tait and C. C. Killam, that the Nanaimo players used foul language towards the referee, Mr. Booth gave a complete and full account of the proceedings, and Mr. Moresby asked that the evidence be strictly confined to the conduct of the players, and that the attitude of the spectators be left out of consideration, and after some opposition on the part of Reggie Woodward, who claimed that the home club was responsible for the conduct of the spectators, the motion was carried.

Mr. Tait proceeded to describe the kick given him by a Nanaimo player, but did not press this, as he accepted Secretary McKinnel's statement that the affair was an accident, and after this had been disposed of Mr. Booth entered a vigorous denial of everything which was said by the Nanaimo players, in which he described the referee's attitude as "unpleasant."

President J. E. Miller and Secretary McKinnel, who were present at the game, declared that they had no objection to the referee's rulings, except the disallowance of what looked like a try for Nanaimo shortly after the start of the game.

The referee was also thrashed out, and it was definitely established that the captain of the respective teams agreed upon him, although the Nanaimo delegates upbraided the action of their captain.

After a series of hot exchanges between Reggie Woodward and Mr. Booth, Mr. Jay moved the following resolution:

ACCEPTED TOO LATE

English Syndicate's Offer to Secure Burns-Johnson Meeting Was Withdrawn

London, March 7.—After the news had been cable to America that the forfeit for the proposed fight between "Tommy" Burns and "Jack" Johnson had been withdrawn, Kelly, the representative of the English syndicate, put up the purse, received the following despatch from Johnson's manager in New York: "I am sorry to hear that you have withdrawn your offer. I agree to pay \$2,000." Kelly replied: "Syndicate disgusted with Johnson's action. Calls every-thing off. Johnson knows terms. Burns is training hard for his contest with Jim Roche, which takes place at Dublin on St. Patrick's Day. Burns takes a more serious view of this match than any of his previous matches in England, and has done a lot of road and gymnasium work during the past few days, and occasional sparring. He will leave for Dublin on March 15."

MUNICIPALITY WILL REGULATE TRAFFIC

South Saanich Will Pass By-Law to Control Sale of Liquor

(From Sunday's Daily.) The municipality of South Saanich will take immediate steps to regulate the sale of liquor within the boundaries of the municipality and with this end in view a by-law will be prepared with special reference to the sale of liquor on Sundays and the suppression of the conditions which are alleged to prevail at some of the road-houses within the municipal confines. The question came up for consideration at the regular fortnightly meeting of the municipal council held yesterday afternoon, following the reading of the communications from the Victoria city council, which called attention to the ill-conducted road-houses and suggested that the various municipalities take steps to regulate the liquor traffic along the main lines as those contained in the city by-law.

Reeve Quirk suggested that some such by-law be passed through council. The council declared that there was a provincial act in force which would give the municipal council full powers to act and he could see no object in passing further legislation. This matter was referred to a committee, and it was decided that a by-law should be prepared to meet all phases of the case and more laws and regulations would not improve matters. However he had no objection to such a by-law being passed, and doubtless there was need of better enforcement of the regulations.

NEED FOR REGULATION

Reeve Quirk was of the opinion that something should be done. Numerous conditions had been made about the road-houses, and the council had been urged to take steps to regulate the liquor traffic. The council was of the opinion that a by-law should be prepared to meet all phases of the case and more laws and regulations would not improve matters. However he had no objection to such a by-law being passed, and doubtless there was need of better enforcement of the regulations.

Considerable heat was displayed by the council in a session which lasted upon the council which waited steps be taken to improve Blankensop road and extend that thoroughfare along what is now known as Reynolds road.

The council decided that the work of extension should be done, but this year's council has rescinded their previous action. The deputation consisted of Messrs. Elliott, Gans, Martin, Deacon, Felton, and Scott. They claimed that the work was a necessity, that as taxpayers they were entitled to be given decent road accommodations, and that the council was not prepared to meet their wishes they would probably take steps to force that body to do the required work.

WANT RIGHT OF WAY

George L. Power petitioned that a right of way be opened to the south half of the south half of section 127, lake district. Mr. Power stated that the road was a public highway, and that the present get-on to his property was by a balloon and as he did not possess such a means of ingress he was forced to apply to the municipal council. Mr. Power asked that the council be asked to give further information.

The B. C. Electric Railway company, in reply to the council's requisition to the track on Toltine avenue, which is a public highway, and that the company should be allowed to use the track for its own purposes, and that the council should be asked to give further information.

Mr. St. Clair, Victoria, president of the B. C. Amateur Association of Swimming clubs requested the co-operation of the municipal council in the matter of the proposed swimming pool in Victoria. Mr. St. Clair suggested that resolutions should be embodied in the provincial government from the municipalities of Victoria, Oak Bay, and South Saanich.

The petition of twenty property owners along the Mount Newton Cross road, that the road at present was in a very bad condition of repair, and that the road should be repaired, was referred to the road superintendent.

A petition from twelve owners in the neighborhood of section 8, range 1, east, South Saanich asked that a road be built as an outlet for that property. The petitioners asked the council to rush work on the road as at present some of the owners cannot get access from their property without using private roads. Councillors Nicholson and Holden were appointed a committee to inquire into the petition.

The recommendation of James Plin, road superintendent, that the road at Cordova bay be gravelled at a cost of \$70 was adopted. The work will be done at once.

In regard to a complaint of Mr. Goward as to water lying on the road, leading to his property, the road superintendent suggested that what was needed was filling in as there was no ditch to carry off the water. The road superintendent reported that many owners had put up barbed wire fences along the main roads. As this is contrary to the municipal by-law all such owners will be required to remove the wire, fences, and replace them with fences of less dangerous construction.

Mr. Plin reported having spent \$437.70 on road improvements during the month of February. The report of the municipal constable showing cases attended to during the month of February was read and adopted. Applications for the position of engineer to act under the provisions of the Ditches and Waterworks by-law were received and considered. A ballot resulted in W. S. Waters being appointed as municipal engineer.

SPRING COSTUMES

CORDON BLEU

A RIBBON of blue costumes stretched across our window, giving a slight indication of the wealth of stylish blue costumes to be found in our show rooms, in every shade, including the daintiest light blues, Pompadour blue, magnificent Royal Blues, and exquisite Dark Blues. These costumes are distinctive and exclusive creations from London, Paris, Vienna and New York, but in spite of this great advantage our prices are so low that we invite you to compare them with the prices asked elsewhere for costumes visibly lacking the latest style and finish. You will also note our costume details, such as belts, handbags, hosiery, etc., have been selected with such care that you can easily match your color selection thereby perfecting the tout-ensemble.

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COL HOLMES' TERM OF OFFICE EXTENDED

He Will Remain Here Until September of Next Year

The term of Col. J. G. Holmes as officer commanding No. 11 military district has been extended to Sept. 1, 1908. Orders to this effect are contained in this week's orders to the Fifth Regiment. There is also among the general information, 5th British Columbia Regiment, to be chaplain with honorary rank of Captain; Hubert St. John Payne, vice W. W. Bolton, resigned 30th Dec. 1907.

VICTORIA WILL HAVE A BALL TEAM THIS YEAR

Arrangements About Complete for Use of Grounds at Oak Bay

That Victoria will have a first-class baseball team during the coming summer is practically assured. Negotiations have been under way for some time for the use of the Oak Bay park and the baseball club is successful in securing the use of the grounds. Work will be at once commenced in putting the place in first-class playing condition.

There is no reason why a team as good as represented Victoria in 1902 could not be secured. The field for this season. Several of the old players have signified their intention of joining the team, and there are several younger players who are entitled to position in the senior team. In addition to these players it is the intention of the club to secure one or two first-class men from the outside to strengthen up, thus making in all probability the strongest independent nine in the northwest. Applications for games for the months of May and June are already being made by the team.

The opening game will take place on May 9. Among the teams it is expected that will play here during the season are the strong Everett nine who are always depended on to put up a hard game. The famous Seattle high school team that last season toured the country, and the Victoria team, who are always depended on to put up a hard game. The famous Seattle high school team that last season toured the country, and the Victoria team, who are always depended on to put up a hard game.

Journalist in Jail. J. Miyagawa, a Japanese who states that he is a correspondent for the Japanese paper in Vancouver and also writes short stories, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment yesterday for the theft of a Japanese woman named Mamie H. Carpenter's cabinet in the street. The story is an unpleasant one of sordid intrigue and jealousy, and it would appear that after having been found by the police, the Japanese woman was proceeding to "choke the woman when the police arrived. When in the dock he was decorated with a black eye received in the encounter and was obviously recovering from the effects of a ed-bauch. He stated that he had been mixing Canadian beer and Chinese liquors the night before.

RAIDED BY CUSTOMS Chinese Lost \$200 Worth of Contraband on White Liner at Vancouver. Customs officers raided the C. P. R. liner Empress of Japan on Friday afternoon at Vancouver and confiscated silk to the value of \$200. The raid was the result of a complaint lodged against the day by a visitor to the ship, who was accosted by some of the Chinese crew and offered some silk. It is well known that the Orientals do not mind the day by a visitor to the ship, who was accosted by some of the Chinese crew and offered some silk. It is well known that the Orientals do not mind the day by a visitor to the ship, who was accosted by some of the Chinese crew and offered some silk.

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LAND ACT

Victoria District, District of Methosin. TAKE NOTICE that J. Norman Harde, of Victoria, B. C., occupant of S. E. 1/4 of Section 12, Township of... Agent, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described land...

SEVENTY-ONE RECEIVED

Legislature is argued by the Governor

CLOSING HOURS Will Request Impression to Investigate Immigration

(From Sunday's Daily.) The legislature yesterday closed at 2:15 o'clock yesterday.

The order paper exhausted at the evening session on the 10:30 a. m. there was a great deal of business done. The following bills were passed: The amendment to the division upon amended at the instigation of the speaker, H. E. Hawthornthwaite's resolution to the appointment of a commission to investigate the immigration of Columbia was resumed.

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