Crown Prince Vadijuravudh and Suite Are Entertained at Victoria.

Dine With the Lieut Governor-Places of interest Visited.

Leave For the Orient This Morning By Empress of China.

H. R. H. Somedetch Chofa Maha Vadiravudh, crown prince of Siam, and suite, arrived by the steamer Charmer Hera ha devoted himself to the work at on Sunday evening. He was met by His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Joly de mally welcomed the royal party to Victoria, and escorted them in carriages to

the Priard, where they are quartered.
The party is made up as follows: H.
R. H. Crown Prince Somdetch Chofa
Maha Yadijurayudh, His Excellency Maha Vadijuravudh, His Excellency Phya Akang Vararhara, Siamese minister at Washington; His Excellency Major Phya Rajavalabh, first aide-decamp; Capt. Luang Sarasiddhi, secondaide-de-camp; Mom R. Anavatra, 'private secretary to the Frince; E. H. Lofture, Prof. H. Gore, of the Colambian University, Washington; Y. H. Darnell, of the Pennsylvania railway, who has charge of the special train service; S. C. (Wheeler and R. H. Taylor, of the United States secret service corps, who have been guarding the Prince, but whose duties are purely honorary in Victoria, as they are taken over by Chief Langley and the local police, an officer being stationed every hour of the day with the party; E. Weismuller, courier; W. Short and J. A. Dorm, George Denny. special correspondent. courier; W. Short and J. A. Dorm. George Denny, special correspondent of the Associated Press, who has toured for 8,000 miles across the continent with the royal party, did not come to Victoria, being ordered back to New York the royal party, did not come to Victoria, being ordered back to New York from San Francisco.

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The distinguished Orientais are being entertained in Victoria, having been the guests of the civic officials yesterday afternoon, when they were driven to several local points of interest. They had expressed a wish to see a sawmill, and a visit was made to the government House as the Guests of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor; and this morning, ere these lines are read, they are on the Pacific in one of the three best steamers on the Western ocean, homeward bound.

The drive through the city included a visit to Sayward's mills. His Royal Highness had not seen sawmills in the United States, although he has seen many other things during his visit, and knowing of the timber export trade of Victoria, he expressed a wish to see a saw mill in operation, and the party went. The royal party were the guests of Mayor Hayward and the aldermanic board on the drive through the city, and were escorted by the Mayor and Ald. McGandless and Worthington, and Mr. Cuthbert, of the Tourist Association.

After the Prince and party had watched to the government House, where a pleasant half-hour was spent with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Joly, and then the carriage proceeded to the government buildings, where a formal call was made on the Premier and members of the government buildings, where a formal call was made on the Premier and members of the government the carriage proceeded to the government buildings, where a formal call was made on the Premier and members of the government the carriage proceeded to the government buildings, where a formal call was made on the Premier and members of the government thouse, where a formal call was made on the Premier and members of the government thouse, where a pleasant half-hour was spent with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Joly, and then the carriage proceeded to the government buildings, being much into divide the province of the government buildings, being much in the drive the Prince was presented with a special copy of "Picturesque Victoria," the Tourist Assoc

King will bid him to be gone, with naught but the yellow robe to cover his nakeduess, and the begging bowl in his

It was in 1895—seven years ago—that the Crown Prince was proclaimed as the heir to the Siamese throne—two years after he started to England to be educated after the mainer of the Occident. It was at the time of the death of his brother, and at the time of the tragic death of the King's favorite Queen—he has 150 in all—that the Crown Prince was chosen as the heir. The death of the favorite Queen occurred at a great Siamese festival, when the klongs or canals of Bangkok were thronged with the gala barges, prothrongs of canals of Bangkok were throngen with the gala barges, propelled by 30 or 40 banks of oars, which are seen only on state occasions or at some "merit-making" feast. Suddenly there was a collision; a royal barge went down, and with it the first Queen, who wighted with it the first Queen, went down, and with it the first Queen, who, weighted with jewels, could not even make a struggle for her life.

After this tragedy, the son of the unlucky consort having met with a nysterious end, the present queen was promoted and her son, the present Royal visitor, was selected by the King-from his almost innumerable male offspring—as heir to the throne.

THE CROWN PRINCE

goods manufactured in those countries. However, for political, as well as economic reasons, Siam is looking to other countries for the establishment of trade relations. The creation in the United States of an independent legation, with an envoy extraordinary and a minister plenipotentiary is doubtless a move in this direction. MODERN IMPROVEMENTS. Internal improvements during the past ew years have been unparalleled, and one can almost speak of Siam as new country. Three lines of railways ave been constructed and a fourth is under way, electric street cars, and electric lighting have been installed, telephones are seen everywhere, sewerage systems are being elaborated, sawmills and rice mills built in great numbers, and the most recent inventions of the world are endirected and a fourth is the world are electric to the world are endirected. THE CROWN PRINCE. the world are finding markets in the principal cities. Before this tragedy occurred, the Crown Prince had gone to England, and · SIAM'S CAPITAL.

Bangkok, one of the largest cities in the East, has a population of about three-quarters of a million (the entire population of Siam being about sixteen millions). Some of the cities having a population of more than 100,000 are: Chantaboon, Chieng Mai, Ayuthia, Lakon, Rahang, Nan and Korat. Here he devoted himself to the work at hand without claiming any of the im-munities his position might suggest, and completed the course in due time, graduating at the head of his class in some of his studies—an honor especially meritorious considering the fact that he pursued his studies in a foreign language. After his course at Sandhurst, he was attached for alyear to the Durham Light FREE FROM DEBT.

Rich mines are now being worked and the valuable teak forests are farmed out under close government supervision.
The revenue from these two sources is practically sufficient to meet the expenses of the kingdom, so that Siam presents the unique example of a country free from debt and with minimum taxation. Infantry. He then became a student at Christ Church, Oxford, but not be-

> SIAM'S GREAT RIVER. Through practically the centre of the kingdom flows the great Menam—the Nile of Siam. For 400 miles it is free from rapids, and, under normal conditions, serves as a carrier for a large CABLE READY tions, serves as a carrier for a large portion of the country's interior traffe. Parallel to the Menam, there are three other rivers which are useful for traffic, and also for irrigating purposes. An elaborate system of canals throughout the country makes it possible to transport produce to the chief towns along the head of the Gulf. This is an important feature in a country where water transportation is carried on under such economic conditions.
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> MARKET FOR MACHINERY

MARKET FOR MACHINERY. Agriculture is the chief occupation of Agriculture is the chief occupation of the people, and because of the fertility of the soil only a small amount of labor is required to supply their wants. For this reason, as well as on account of the absence of manufactures in Siam, the country is a large purchaser of wares and goods of all sorts. Canada could here find a market for machinery, and of manufactured articles.

CLIMATE IN SIAM

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Although lying wholly within the torrid zone, and therefore deprived of the
welcome mutations of temperature, the
oppressive heat of the plains of India
is nowhere met in Siam. Even in
March and April the betteet reach March and April, the hottest months here, a local southwest wind makes Bangkok tolerable for Europeans and by exercising discretion in diet the for-

tention is called. In addition to the elementary instruction here given, a number of high schools, normal schools and colleges under government direction afford an opportunity for all who desire a higher education. The courses of study embrace, in addition to the native language and literature, most of the topics taught in similar institutions.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Merrymaking Spoiled by an Accident.

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BOER GOLD.

Strike is Not Yer Seitled

Attempt in Vancouver to Operate Telephones With Non-Union Hands.

Grand Trunk Officials Are Look ing For Subsidies For Pacific Line.

rom Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 1.—Contrary of the expectations of the business men to the expectations of the business men who interviewed Superintendent Kent on Saturday night he declined this morn-ing to entertain their proposition of al-lowing a committee of business men to take charge of the switchboard for ten days to enable the telephones to be used while the strike was being settled. Mr. Kent states that with new hands, which have been practising on the switchboard since the strike, he will be able to renew the service tomorrow morning. Mr. Dubberly has brought to Van-couver a large section of the wreck of a trader's launch found at Jervis inlet. It is feared that a fatal accident has

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F. M. Morse, third vice-president of the Grand Trunk railway, and William Wainwright, of the same road are in Vancouver. Mr. Morse in an interview, said that the Grand Trunk would ask for subsidies from the different governments. In the construction of the trans-continental line to Port Simpson they would expect similar treatment. they would expect similar treatment from a subsidy standpoint to that which

CABLE READY

Trans-Pacific Line to Be Turned Over By Contractors on

Ottawa, Dec. 1—The Pacific cable will be taken over from the contractors by he board of control next Monday, and

will then be ready for business.

The Cabinet meets tomorrow and Wedtesday. At one of the meetings ministers will pass on the case of the boy murderer Higgins, who is under sentence of death in New Brunswick.

There is not likely to be any interference.

acting secretary of the Royal Society. He will probably be elected to succeed the late Sir John Bourinot. Parcels may now be exchanged between Canada and Japanese post ofces for Korea and China.

William Mackey, one of the pioneer lumbermen of the Ottawa Valley, died this morning. He was a multi-millionaire

me Ussairage, the wrecked steamer broke up and disappeared from view.

BOER GOLD.

Berlin, Nov. 30.—The British government is telegraphing to all the German ports making inquiries concerning Boer gold bars worth \$650,000 which it is supposed have been brought to this country from South Africa within the past fortnight. The bars are directed to former President Kruger and Dr. Leyds, and, it is presumed, had been concealed in the Transvaal. Great Britain will endeavor to legally attach the gold if it can be located, on the ground that she is entitled to all the assets of the Transval because she has assumed responsibility for the debts of that country, war.

Milton lodge, Sons of ISt. George, will install their officers on Monday evening the Sth of December. Arrangements have been made by the officers, and entertain the members of an interesting character. The new officers, with the assistance and presence of the members inficial term.

The London Wanderers meet tomorrow evening at 8 p. m., some interesting obscincts will be placed before the members for their consideration on the condition of this, a social will be held. The officers are arranging a smoking concert and whist tournament to be given in the near future.

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No Hope For the Missing Lake Steamer Chicago, Nov. 29.—A special to the Record Herald from Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., says the steamer Bannockburn with her crew of 20 men, is given up for lost by local marine men. The report received last night that she was ashore near dischinicaten seems to be without foundation. The belief that the steamer has met with disaster is strengthened by the fact that the steamer Rockefeller, which arrived here today, reported passing through wreckage off Standard Rock. This is supposed to be from the missing boat. The Rocking tugs Boynton and Favorite have made a search along the North shore of Lake Supprise retired.

made a search along the North shore of Lake Superior without finding any trace of the Canadian steamer. The accepted theory is that the Banockburn foundered in mid-lake, and went down with all on board.

SOCIETIES.

nation of officers will take place, and all the delegates are requested to be in attendance early. The secretary's and treasurer's reports will be placed before the 'delegates, and the standing and prospects of the societies represented on the board will be discussed. During the past year the work of the board under the able presidency of Brother A. Lee, Pride of the Island, S. O. E., has been harmoniously conducted, and absence of complaint speaks well for the successful work carried on.

Pride of the Island, S. O. E., have been compelled, through the large increase in membership, to acquire a larger from for a meeting place. Their meeting room for a meeting place. Their meeting on Tuesday evening next will be one of importance to the members, who should make an effort to be in attendance early. Nominations, committees, and the election of delegates will absorb considerable time, and the report of the banquet committee will be read to the members. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition, and the officers deserve the appreciation shown by the members.

ing several candidates were admitted to membership.

Victoria lodge, A. F. & A. M. hold their regular meeting on Thursday even-ing next. The election of officers will take place, and other items of interest to the craft placed before the members. THE MILK WAS TOO BLUE.

A certain wise youngster of my acquaintance was presented on his seventh birth day with a beautiful blue glass goblet, whereupon said goblet straightway became the indispensable meat companion of said youngster. One evening when George had received his usual allowance of milk in the blue goblet his mother became aware that he was gazing in deeply contemplative fashion at the contents of the glass. What he saw can best be imagined, for he raised his eyes suddenly and said wonderfully:

"Why, mother, this cow couldn't have been ripe!"—Current Literature.

EASTERN NACRE PLAQUES.

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Many Uses to Which an Iridescent Shell Is Yut. Shell Is Yut. Shell Is Yut. The vacancy caused in the provincial forms to be come very popular. They are irregular plates of mother-of-pearly and the control of the year, so far as society circles are concerned. With the totis country curios which them to this country curios which the country curios which them to this country curios which the this country curios which them to this country curios which the this country curios which them to this country curios which the this country curios which them to this country curios which the this country curios which them to this country curios which the this country curios which them to this country on the head the provided when Hon. W. W. B. McInnes, and the call which the count Some varieties can be split, aithough the operation is said to require great skill. From others the backs are removed by grinding on a grindstone. The irregularities on the face of the shell are cured by some secret process. They are then polished and are ready for the market or for the shell-carver. So far as is known, there are no Philippine carvers of any great merit. Their workmanship is clumsy and very obvious though poor copy of Chinese models. The finer grades of shell are sent over to the mainland to Amoy, Canton or Chow Chow Foo where there are guilds of shell-carvers, who possess rare skill. The favorite designs are illustrations of famous myths, legends and historical incidents; portraits of the great sages and poets; of landscapes or fanciful conceptions of dragons griffing and call existing and in the government.

The writ of election for North Nanaimo was issued yesterday, addressed to Thomas Haggart, returning officer. The nomination has been fixed for Thureday, December 11, and the voting; if a poll be called for, for December 15.

The polling places are: MacKay's old store, Wellington; school house, Nenaimo, and school house, English River.

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Takes Oath Of Office

Hon. W. W. B. McInnes Is Provincial Secretary and Minister of Education

Has Assurances of Support Which Make His Election Sure.

H. L. Robertson Will Contest North Victoria in Govern-

traits of the great sages and poets; of landscapes or fanciful conceptions of dragons, griffins and genii riding upon tigers which resemble poodle dogs. The finest of the carvings come from Canton, and bring high-prices.

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