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quired Property to Be Devoted
to Farming.

Sidney Island, lying off the Spanish Peninsula has been sold by Bryce Bros. to Geo. L. Courtney, who is said to intend a local application. The island contains about 2,000 acres, part of which is cultivated. The portion of it now cultivated amounts to about 130 acres, but there is a very large additional area, which can with little expense be brought into use for farming purposes.

The island was bought by Bryce Bros. about three years ago, the price paid being about \$12,000, which included stock. The price now obtained is said to be about double that or \$24,000. Of that sum \$4,000 value is put on the live stock.

Just what use will be made of the island is not made known. The island is a favorite hunting ground, being well stocked with grouse and pheasant. In addition to utilizing a part of it for farming purposes the intention of the purchasers is said to be to convert the remainder of the island into a game preserve for shooting purposes.

On the other hand there is a rumor to the effect that the island is bought for the C. P. R. It is said that as a game preserve Sidney Island would not be purchased at the price paid when Moreby Island, which would offer far better inducements in that line, could be obtained for very little additional.

The rumor connecting the C. P. R. with the purchase gives as the object in view by that corporation the holding of an Indian reserve site on which to transfer the Songhees should some arrangement be made to that end, the C. P. R. being directly interested in settling the vexed question of the reserve in order to obtain terminal facilities in this city. Sidney Island has on other occasions been mentioned as a suitable place for reserve purposes.

In addition to the sale of Sidney Island a transfer has taken place of the greater part of James Island lying near to the Spanish peninsula. This island comprises several thousand acres, and has been sold with the exception of about 300 acres to Hall Brothers, of England. The new purchasers have bought the interests of Mr. Munro, Mr. Scott, and will continue the farming operations begun by them. Their farm will be carried on as at present, and in addition to this the Hall Bros. will take up their residence on the island, and being wealthy, will fully develop the resources of James Island.

These deals are but additional indications of the demand which is existing for property tributary to Victoria.

FIRE CHIEFS TO CONVENE.

Representatives of "Departments" on
Pacific Coast Will Meet in Portland.

As mentioned in another column Chief Watson, of the fire department, left yesterday in company with chiefs and friends from Calgary, Nanaimo and Vancouver for Portland.

Fire chiefs of the Pacific Coast will meet in that city on Tuesday for their thirteenth annual convention. Arrangements are being made for the entertainment of 150 guests, among whom will be the heads of the fire departments of nearly all the large cities on the coast.

Chief Campbell, of Portland, has charge of the arrangements for the convention, and has planned an interesting programme. Every hour of the four days the chiefs will be in Portland will be devoted to convention work, or to some entertainment feature. Papers on different phases of fire protection and methods of fighting fires will be read, followed by discussions. Tests of different sorts of fire apparatus and exhibition drills by the Portland fire department and visiting firemen will be given.

The first session will be held Tuesday morning. Chief J. H. Carlisle, of Vancouver, president of the association, will preside. Mayor Lane will welcome the visitors and responses will be given by visiting members. Committees will then be appointed and the work of the convention will be planned. In the afternoon a business session will be held, and in the evening the visitors will be entertained at the Oule.

Wednesday morning there will be a business session, at which papers will be read, and in the afternoon exhibits of fire apparatus will be made, followed by a drill of the Portland fireboat. The evening will be devoted to a business meeting.

Thursday will be Fire Chiefs' day at the Lewis and Clark exposition. Friday will be devoted to the business of the convention, concluding with the election of officers and the selection of the next meeting place. The convention will conclude with a banquet, which the visitors, the mayor and executive board and city council will attend.

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ENTERTAINED BY ROOSEVELT.

Japs Guests of President at Luncheon
and Russians at Dinner.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 9.—Entertaining Baron Komura and Minister Takahira at luncheon today, and Mr. Witte and Baron de Rosen at dinner to-night, President Roosevelt, extended to the peace envoys of Japan and Russian official courtesies and expressed to them, on behalf of the American people, gratification that the labors of their mission to America have been performed successfully.

Baron Komura and Minister Takahira arrived at Oyster Bay on board the naval yacht Sylph, which had been sent to New York for them. They reached Sagamore Hill at 1 o'clock and remained with the President for two hours. Both Baron Komura and Minister Takahira expressed to the President their appreciation of his efforts, to which they attributed largely the success of the conference in reaching an agreement. When the Japanese envoys took their leave they went aboard the Sylph, which sailed for New York.

To-night Mr. Witte and Baron de Rosen, the Russian envoys, were the guests of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt at dinner. Mr. Witte's well understood antipathy to travel by water induced the Russian envoys to make the trip to Oyster Bay by rail.

At the Oyster Bay station the Russians were met by a confidential messenger of the President, who accompanied them to Sagamore Hill.

REV. T. W. GLADSTONE

HERE FROM ENGLAND

Rector Designate of the R-formed Epis-
copal Church Arrived to Take
Up Pastoral Duties.

Rev. Thomas W. Gladstone, rector-designate of the Church of Our Lord, arrived last evening from England, accompanied by his family.

The reverend gentleman is not altogether a stranger to this city, having spent several days with friends about 18 months ago, and the present return is the result of a unanimous call from the congregation to fill the rectorship made vacant by the death of the former incumbent.

Mr. Gladstone is temporarily domiciled at 38 Birdeagle Walk, and will preach at both positions in the church to-morrow.

For seven or eight years Mr. Gladstone labored in England for the Sunday Closing Association, which aimed at the stopping of the sale of liquor on the Sabbath day, and in assisting Bishop Elridge as honorary curate. At one time he was pastor of Emmanuel church, Ottawa, and for twelve months occupied that position. But the climate of the Capital did not agree with Mrs. Gladstone, and Mr. Gladstone was obliged to return to England. Before doing so, however, he made a trip to the Pacific, and it is as a result of that particular visit that the call to the Reformed Episcopal church of this city was received.

OIL PROSPECTS.

Canadian Northwest Company Is Very
Much Encouraged With the
Outlook.

A meeting of the directors of the Canadian Northwest Oil Company was held at the head offices, 88 Government street, on Saturday last, Elliott S. Rowe, vice-president in the chair. Manager Kelly was in attendance, and gave a very encouraging report as to the prospects of the undertaking, having recently made a thorough inspection of the property. He reported that the configuration of the ground was more favorable for the production of oil than even that of the oil fields of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Texas, with all of which he had been connected in the earlier stages of the petroleum development.

The object of the meeting was to make definite arrangements for an early commencement of work, and this was done to the satisfaction of Mr. Kelly. The directors were encouraged in their action by the recent reports from Oil City, given in Saturday's Times, a gusher giving upwards of 8,000 gallons per day having been struck on the ground of an adjacent property. A Maxwell Main, the secretary of the company, has on exhibition in his office samples of the crude oil as taken from the property and also a number of specimens of the most fertile oil in the world.

The Rocky Mountain Oil Company is also operating in the immediate locality and already shipping largely. There is naturally great interest taken in the Alberta oil movement in Victoria, as most of the stock in the Northwest company is held by local men.

MINER'S DEATH IN TUNNEL.

Earth Caved In and John Campbell Was
Suffocated.

News of the tragic death of John Campbell, miner, has just reached here from Harpur's camp, Cariboo district, says an Ashcroft dispatch to the Vancouver Province.

About July 1st Campbell left Harpur's camp and went up the Horsefly river about thirty miles, where he had a claim. Not returning when expected, the Government Agent Stephenson of Quesnel Forks was notified, and a search party was organized. When the party reached the place where Campbell's cabin should have been they found only a heap of ashes and no signs of Campbell. An examination was made of a tunnel close at hand, where Campbell had been working, and it was found that in one place the party, knowing the length of the drift, it was decided to sink a shaft to tap the face. This was done, and the body of the unfortunate man was found close to the shaft, having been killed by tools lying at his side, where he had struggled to release himself until he died from suffocation.

The deceased was a pioneer miner, and was one of the original locators of the property now owned by the Ward-Horsely Gold Mining Company, one of the richest mines in the district.

John Campbell was 63 years old, and is supposed to have come to this country from Minnesota. He is not known to have any relatives in this province.

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PROF. FLETCHER HERE

ON INSPECTION TOUR

Says the Government's Policy Is to En-
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(From Saturday's Daily.)

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Referring to the result of his inspection in Vancouver, he stated that the team of fumigation was operated in a perfectly satisfactory manner. It had been reported, he said, that the government contemplated an extension of the facilities for this work at Vancouver. Such rumors were not correct. The policy of the federal as well as the provincial authorities was to encourage fruit growing in British Columbia, not the importation of the produce of California. By increasing the capacity of the plant for dealing with imports the government would be very much helped, but when an attempt was made to pass the opposing defence, the attackers generally fall back as though they had struck a stone wall, and it is as a result of that particular indirect endorsement to the importation of fruit by the people of British Columbia. This was not advisable in the interests of the commercial welfare of the country.

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