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## THE VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST MONDAY DECEMBER 14 1896

(From THE COLONIST, Dec. 18, 1892.) PROVINCIAL CLAIMS. THE CITY. THE Christmas examinations of Vic toria College, which commenced during the past week, will continue daily until Subjects Called to Hon. Mr. Davies 18th inst. A larger number of stu-Attention by the Board of

Trade. A LETTER received yesterday from Mr. E N. Bouche. Rossland, states that the "Palo Alto shaft is looking well, the ore body widening to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet of solid ore in Direct Railway to Kootenay, Sal the bottom of the shaft, the vein being mon and Sealing Industry and 6 feet wide." Other Matters Discussed.

REV. FATHER NICOLAYE officiated vesterday at the funeral of Mr. John Doran, the pallbearers being: Messrs. John Campbell, A. C. McDonald, A. B. Cam-A number of the members of the Board George Longman, T. Astle and eron, men assembled at the Board of Trade Henry Cook.

dents are writing than usual.

FEANK CARLSTRON, a Swedish carpen. FRANK CARLSTRON, a Swedish carpen-ter, was found in his room at Chemainus yesterday with his throat cut but still living. He said that his injuries were self-inflicted, but whether accidentally or with suicidal intent is not known. ter, was found in his room at Chemainus or with suicidal intent is not known. address from the board directed atten-

In the Sir William Wallace hall last tion to the necessity for the protection of evening the 55th drawing for an appro-priation of the Victoria Building Society was conducted by a committee composwas conducted by a condition of the cond

the proposals set out in the memorial presented to Hon. Mr. Tarte at his visit, MR. W. C. WARD, inspector of the Bank of British Columbia, has been ap-pointed to the position of Superintendent including the list of buoys, beacons and lights, on which the address said : of the Bank at the headquarters in Lon-"This list of beacons and buoys may don, England, with a seat at the Court as appear at first sight to be a formidable an ordinary director (ex officio) of the one, but in support of it is urged the soon as Mr. Ward leaves present insufficient supply of ordinary British Columbia in the early part of 1897, Mr. George Gillespie will be apaids to navigation on our coast, the great increase of shipping, and last, though pointed manager in Victoria and supernot least, the large contributions made intendent of the British Columbia by this province to the federal ex-chequer. It is urgently requested that branches.

this very important work may be taken THE examination of candidates for musical certificates in connection with the Victoria College of Music, London, up at once and systematically continued on a very much larger scale than hereto-England, was held at the local college fore. The address continued: "We had on fuesday. The following is the list of the successful ones in their respective hoped to have had the privilege of an there was not a feasible route to interview with Hon. Mr. Blair, and trust that we may hear from him in due course grades: Miss Rose Amy Stoddart, advanced senior, with honors: Miss Mai Todd, intermediate; Miss Cecil Hardie,

that he endorses the recommendations intermediate. The examination was conducted by Mr. G. J. Burnett, F.Y.C. M., and Mr. L. Bradley, F.G.C.M. of this board upon the necessity of opening up British Columbia with railways, and that the two lines recommended in the address will receive his hearty sup-

F. C. WHITNEY, secretary of the Or-phan Boy Gold Mining Co., of Revel-stoke, was a passenger from Vancouver support. This board has had brought before it a very important subject, which after due consideration has received its unanimous support. We allude to the the marine and cristoms departments on last night's Charmer. The Orphan Boy is situated in the Big Bend, north the admiral of the fleet. In view of the of Revelstoke, and is a free milling gold property. It has attracted considerable large increase in the number of ships to be stationed at Esquimalt and the recent fortifications in the neighborhood, it apattention during the season on account of the high assays secured. Mr. Whit- fortifications in the neighborhood, it apney is on his way to San Francisco to pears to this board that the time has arpurchase a mill, which will be started rived to deal with this important quesrunning on their property about the last tion, and it is hoped that when the Doof April, '97. Mrs. Whitney and their minion government is applied to for aslittle daughter will accompany Mr. sistance, as it shortly will be, the ne-Whitney on his return to Revelstoke, in cessary aid may not be withheld. The existing postal arrangements with Esabout a month's time.

quimalt are not satisfactory, the mails THE city milkmen held an important now being held at Victoria and the Admeeting last evening, Temperance hall miral is consequently obliged to employ being appropriately chosen as the scene special messengers in order to obtain his of their deliberations which were in condispatches in good time. There is no nection with a suggestion that prices be increased. After considerable discustelegraph nearer than Victoria, and this too is exceedingly inconvenient, and sion a committee was appointed to frame does not meet the requirements of such an important naval station as Esqui-matter for the the was no evidence yet that good re-there was no evidence yet that good rerules and prepare a scale of prices, with the view of forming a milkman's union. The proposal to raise the price of milk Dominion government to station at Es-quimalt a postmaster, who is also a telewill doubtless be vigorously fought by the consumers, who have failed to ungraph operator, and by arranging for the dispatch of the admiralty mail bag promptly on arrival at Victoria, the seri-ous inconvenience complained of would use the study of salmon life. The minister promised to give his atderstand why milk should have retained its present price, double that obtained in other parts of the Dominion, while all other necessaries have declined in price as wages, etc., have been reduced be overcome, as it may be mentioned in-tention to the lists of lights, beacons and dentally that if the telegraph operator throughout British Columbia. The milkis provided the line will be extended to men hold another meeting shortly to re-Esquimalt by the Canadian Pacific Teleceive the report of their committee. graph Company without delay. "It being felt that the improved pos-On the farm of the Messrs. Smith. Swan lake, the annual competitions of the Vancouver Island Plowing Association were conducted yesterday afternoon with greater success than the society has previously known. There were three professional competitions and three amateur events, and for each of these were several special prizes. Messrs. A. Tolmie and Watson Clark acted as judges, and Mr. Geo. Walker as referee. In the professional class Alex. Thompson, of South Saanich, captured the ships on the China-Japan route should first prize of \$22: A. Munro getting be required to call at Victoria, and advantage is taken of this the first opporsecond, \$17.50; and Alexander Rose third, \$12.50. N. Dean took first place tunity which has presented itself, to among the amateurs, winning \$17.50; E. offices on that occasion." Marcotte second \$12.50; and G. Stinnel third, \$7.50. In the evening the members of the association dined together in ing memorial from the sealing men: the Clarence and concluded the day's doings by holding their third annual

to abandon the business altogether, as Kootenay mines as one of the great reit would be impossible for us to continue sources of the province. The people in to fit our vessels out without incurring the East wanted a share of the trade of certain loss and this industry of so much that district and the Dominion govern value to British Columbia, and Victoria ment were going to assist them in get in particular, would be lost to us for- ting it, and what he believed in was that Events of the First Year of Active ever and our fleet of sealing vessels British Columbia should leave nothing

would be rendered useless. undone to secure her share also. He was 4.15 very sorry to see it stated in the press " Signed by "R. SEABROOK, President, that Hon. Mr. Blair in a speech at Ross RICHARD HALL, Secretary. land declared that while the Dominion "The Victoria Sealing Association."

the Crow's Nest Pass railway, the time Hon. Mr. Davies, referring to the subects which had been presented to his was not yet ripe for the construction of notice, remarked that he had already a road to the Coast. Such an utterance discussed with the sealers the questions would not, Mr. Earle said, meet the ap

affecting that industry, and hoped from the information he had gained to be in a better position than be otherwise would be information the be information the be information the trade that pecuthe information he had gained to be in of Trade and other prominent business men assembled at the Board of Trade proposals in regard to increased restricrooms yesterday forenoon under the tions in the Behring sea regulations.

accord in protecting the national rights. The policy of the last government in fully protecting the interests of Canadians the provincial deep sea fisheries and the in Behring sea would not be deviated ate action was necessary for the conprevention of smuggling: recommended from by the present administration (ap-the establishment of additional salmon plause), and for his part he would try Mr. Earle had very much pleasure in the establishment of additional salmon plause), and for his part he would his best to have enforced the rights that moving a vote of thanks to Hon. Mr. Canadian sealers had in the open waters

of Behing sea. He would frankly say that before he onding the motion, brought to the minis-idea of the immensity of her natural resources. At the present time the eyes expressed the hope that the question would soon be settled. of the civilized world were directed to whose progress rivalled a chapter in the Arabian Nights. Hon. Mr. Blair was at present investigating this district, and no doubt his visit would have the effect of inducing the Dominion Government tion to settle the question. In return-ing thanks for the vote of thanks, the Minister said he did not know whether at an early day, to develop railway com-munication in that part of the province. The coast cities were naturally desirous of having direct railway communication with Kootenay, but they must not be carried away unduly by this laudable desire to secure their share of the trade time was not yet ripe for building the road to the coast. He assumed that Mr. of that district. The C.P.R. engineers Blair spoke from the same reason as he did himself. He understood, however, that there were active men who already the coast for the Crow's Nest Pass have a survey out, and as soon as a railway and what he would say to those present as practical business men, was that until it was ascertained beyond a doubt that there was a feasible line on which a railway could be built, they should not expect assistance from the

As to the protection of deep-sea fish-

the putting on of an additional vessel by Mr. Justice McColl, whose recent elevation to the Supreme court bench of the province has given general satisfactect the halibut fisheries, but the cap tion, was last night the guest of the Victain of the Quadra had explained that toria Bar Association at a dinner given until January there was little fishing at the Driard in honor of his appointdone, so that he would look into the ment. The members of the local bar matter a little further, but have the question speedily settled. Turning next to the salmon hatcher-

sides Mr. Justice McColl the invited ies, the minister expressed himself as guests were: Hon. L. H. Davies, min-ister of marine and fisheries, Mr. Justice not yet so thoroughly satisfied with the results that have followed their estab-King and Mr. Justice Putnam, the British and United States Behring Sea Claims Commissioners, lishment, as to bind himself to the desir-ability of building more. The hatcheries were only an experiment, and perthe British and United States counsel sonally, he was rather opposed to them, and the judges of the Supreme Court of being a firm believer in the ability of British Columbia, all the guests belonging to the legal profession. Mr. P. A. Irving, president of the Victoria Bar Association, occupied the chair, Mr. G. eries. In connection with this subject Prof. Prince would be in British Colum-H. Barnard being vice-chairman. The toast of "Our Guest," was proposed by Hon. D. M. Eberts, attorney-



Work Reviewed-Officers Re-elected.

government were desirous of assisting The Question of Compulsory Sabbath Observance Provokes an Interesting Debate.

The Local Council of Women of Victoria and Vancouver Island yesterday discussed in review the various matters of public to do it was to open up communication concern in which it has played a part durwith the Kootenay country. "If we don't," said Mr. Earle, "that ing the initial year of its organization, and his department. It was to be hoped, James Baker, the president, occupied the however, that Hon. Mr. Davies would chair, and briefly addressed the large numimpress it on his colleague that immedi-

ber of ladies present at the opening, afterstruction of this road. In conclusion wards calling for the reports of the various officers and affiliated societies, which were read and adopted with many expressions of satisfaction. That of the treasurer showed a balance of \$25.15 remaining to the credit Davies for being present at the meet-

that three important petitions had origin-ated with and had been presented by the ated with and had been presented by the council during 1896—one urging the neces-

sity of employing a matron when fe-male prisoners are dealt with at city police headquarters; a second asking for the amendment of the Mar-ried Woman's Property Act; and the third requesting that scientific temperance instruction be given in the public schools of the province Practical and set is factor of the province. Practical and satisfactory results had been achieved by these peti-tions, while more recently—in fact during Mr. Blair made the statement attributed the past month-the council had taken up to him in the press, but as he (Mr. the necessary for suitable provision being Davies) read the report, his colleague was not far astray when he said that the time was not vet rine for building the Westminster for asylum treatment. The Westminster for asylum treatment. The letter in this regard was considered by the Victoria board of aldermen less than one week ago, and already a communication in reply had been received from Mayor Beaven in which he stated that a cell would be padded and otherwise prepared for use in such cases, at the city police station, other essentials also being provided as suggested. Upon the order of "election of officers" being reached, the satisfaction felt by the members of the Council in the direction of

its affairs during the past year, was evi-denced in the re-election of Mrs. (Hon.) James Baker as president; Mrs. Charles Hayward, as vice-president; Mrs. A. H. Scaife, as corresponding secretary; Mrs. Gordon Grant, as recording secretary; and Mrs. Wm. Grant, as treasurer. Mrs. Mc-Quade was by ballot chosen second vice-president; and Mrs. Robson<sup>e</sup> third vice-president. The transaction of this business and the

adoption of a suitably worded resolution of condolence conveying to Mrs. Gustav Leiser the sympathy of the council in her great bereavement occupied the major portion of the morning session, the bulk of the preso-lutions presented by the council and by affi-lated scatistics being resourced for consider were reinforced by several of the legal liated societies being reserved for consider ation in the afternoon.

> FOR THE CHILDREN'S INTEREST. Majority of the Resolutions Have for

## Their Object the Advancement of the Welfare of the Young.

The first of these resolutions came as a ecommendation from the executive and excited no opposition. It provided: "That whereas numbers of children of

source of contamination to those children who do attend schools; be it therefore Resolved, That this Local Council of general, who was in his most eloquent vein, and the reply by Mr. Justice Mc-Women deem it for the public good that such children of school age be compelled to Mrs. Spain, it

unanimously, after several ladies had de-plored the congregating of boys in front of the Times office daily, many hours before their services were required. The resolution read:

"Whereas newsboys of tender age go in and out of saloons and places of low re-pute, and district messengers are sent upon errands to places of which they should have no knowledge, be it therefore resolved that, having the interests of these children at heart, the women of this local council condemn these practices, and use its influence in having this state of affairs remedied."

## THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY.

Interesting Debate Arises on the Resolution Looking to the Closing of All Business Establishments

It was the "Sabbath Observance" resolution, however, that produced THE interesting discussion of the day. The Women's Missionary Society of the Centennial Methodist church were responsible for its being plac-ed on the agenda, and the delegates of this association, Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Johns, resented it.

"Whereas the desceration of the Sabbath has a demoralizing effect upon the com-munity," the resolution set forth, " and renders ineffective the many efforts put forth by religious and philanthropic societies for the proper training of the youth of our city; therefore, be it resolved, that we betition the municipal council to enact a by-law for closing tobacco, fruit stores and barber shops on Sunday, and also for the Sabbath desecration." The mover maintained that no commun-

ity is safe without obedience to the law, and that civil law is based upon God's law. She interpreted the law of God as setting apart Sunday as a day of rest and, religious meditation, and contended that the non-observance of the Sabbath even now to be noted in Victoria had a most demoralizing

effect upon the community. The desirability of the action contem-plated in the resolution was immediately challenged by the delegates of the Hebrew Ladies' Association, chief among whom were Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Hart. It was, they held, a departure from the broad prin-ciples enunciated in the constitution of the Women's Council, and was in spirit and in effect a blow at the liberty of conscience and of action. Why, they asked, should the Women's Council seek to compel one portion of their members and a very important element in the community, the Jewish resi-dents, to observe as sacred, a day which to them had no especial significance? What superior right had the other members of the council under which they proposed thus to trespass upon the liberty of con-science of those of the Hebrew faith? If the council and to be proposed and the council aimed to be non-sectarian and was true to its declarations of prin-ciple in this regard was not it gard was not it violation of this ist as much a violation of this principle to adopt such a resolution as it would be to adopt one in accordance with the Jewish faith, declaring that all business places should be closed on the Sa-turday, the seventh day of the week, and perhanses forbiding such pactings as this perhaps forbidding such meetings as this annual business session of the Women's Council on a day that to the Jewish portion of its members was just as much a holy day as the Sunday was to the affiliated Chris-tians? The delegates of the Hebrew Ladies hoped that the sound sense of the members noped that the sound sense of the members present and their appreciation of its unfair-ness would lead them to reject the resolu-tion offered by Mrs. Chapman, and to ac-cept instead the following amendment: "Whereas this association is in favor of indicates the game sights us chain for

giving others the same rights we claim for giving others the same rights we claim for ourselves in observing a Sabbath according to the dictation of their conscience, as long as they do not interfere with the rights of others; therefore, be it resolved, that the resolution introduced by Mrs. Chapman in regard to the closing of fruit stores, barben shops, etc., on Sunday, does not meet with our approval." Miss Cameron alone came to the support

"That whereas numbers of children of Miss Cameron alone came to the support school age do not attend any school and are not only forming vicious habits on the streets but are a continual menace and lifted a man," and therefore objecting to the proposed closing of the barber shops. The amendment was lost on a division, and the resolution was immediately after-Mrs. Spain, in a short and telling speech moved—for the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church—"That the Wo men's Council use every effort to secure the separation of the liquor business from that of the grocery throughout the province," the resolution being seconded by Mrs. Rob-son. The latter stated that much misery was caused in British Columbia by the in roduction of intemperance to the home through the medium of the grocery, and Miss Cameron urged temperance people not of the grocery, and to aid in the perpetuation of the liquor traf-fic by patronizing grocers who combined the two businesses. Unfortunately these grocers seemed to do the principal trade, as from the larger profits on liquor they could afford to make better prices on the nonobjectionable portion of their stocks. The resolution carried, as also did an-other, from the same society, "that the Women's Council be asked to take some nese children, it be requested to furnish separate schools for those children. Women's Council be asked to take some active steps in the direction of having a more stringent liquor law enforced in this province, and that they use their influence in favor of the total aboltion of the liquor traffic." This was proposed by Mrs. Mc Gregor, seconded by Mrs. Chapman, and ably supported by Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. An-drews, Mrs. Gordon Grant, and Mrs. Wil-liam Grant. In fact, it had more speakers in its favor than any other resolution of It was finally decided to allow the previ-bus resolution to stand as sufficient, it makng no distinction as to race in urging the Another resolution coming from the W. C. T. U., and to which no objection was taken, had for its purpose the clearing away of the difficulties at present besetting the path of Ald. Williams' "Curfew Bell" n its favor than any other resolution of the day. In addition to the reports and resolutions, several interesting papers were read and discussed during the day. These in-cluded one by Mrs. McGregor, on the work of the "Ladies of the Maccabees"; an-other from the Y.W.C.A., on the "Women's Exchange"; and a third by Mrs. Day, on "Reading Circles." The latter lady explained how and why circles had been formed in this city, and dealt exhaus-

to enact a curfew by-law." An excellent paper on manual training was followed by this resolution on the same subject, proposed by the W.C.T.U.: "Believing that it is of the utmost im-portance that while our children are re-ceiving the education provided by our pub-lic schools they should also be further pre-pared for their future life by a knowledge of some practical work; therefore be fit re-solved that we, through our Local Council of Women, do memorialize the Council Public Instruction, urging upon them the importance of introducing manual training into the public schools of this province." A number of valuable suggestions were offered in the discussion resulting from the

practicable route has been found they would apply to the Government for aid. Until such a route was found, it could not be expected that the Government should be asked for assistance.

MR. JUSTICE M'COLL.

The Honored Guest at at Interesting Ban quet by the Bar Association of Victoria.

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Captain Alexander McLean Subjected to Rigid Cross-Examination by the

was the cheapest place for outfitting for a thus depriving us of one of the two best cation with Kootenay and to get reasonsealing cruise. It did not follow because best months of sealing in the sea and the able assistance from the government, there were many seal in Behring sea in 1886 that a schooner would make a good restrictions have become permanent and would be secured before the govcatch as much depended on the hunters are a hardship upon us as leaving us in ernment were asked for aid. All and it took a hunter four months to learn how to approach a seal so as to kill greatest economy we are now able to must be had from the Dominion and and secure it. Seals could scent a hun- carry on the business without loss, to that the road must be built. He informter a long way, and in escaping could swim faster than a boat could go in pur-sels being seized and being confiscated de the minister also that in regard to the subjects of smuggling and the fishersuit. He claimed that in 1886 provisions for being within the limits of a very ies, alluded to in the address, all the infor a crew of eleven white men would wide zone, however unintentional. formation necessary to a full understandcost \$110 a month, and expressed the From information we have received ing of the subject was already in the deview that the list of provisions, as read through American newspapers as well partments at Ottawa. by Hon. Mr. Dickinson from the vouch- as from other sources we have reason to ers for the Carolena supplies, was ex-

Hon. Mr. Peters, for the British side, proceeded to put the witness through a restrictions and it is against any further subjects laid before him he had promisstiff cross-examination. Questioned as restrictions we would ask you to assist ed action. In connection with the railto his previous history, the witness us in protesting, for any further restric-stated he had been engaged in mackerel tions on our industry would compel us tion of great moment to the country to fishing off the Massachusetts coast in

1878 or 1879, and had come to Victoria 1881. He had been in prison CASTORIA account of rows in Halifax in 1879, and three years ago in San Francisco also. In examination as to For Infants and Children. his memorandum book of his catches of seal in 1886, 1887 and 1888, witness stated that the coincidence of the last

catch in each year being on August 19 was correct. At this point the adjourn-

buoys presented and gave the assurance that legislation would be passed so that estness that showed how highly he apthe San Pedro wreck might be blown up unless the owners soon removed it. He

was not very sanguine tal and telegraphic arrangements with Esquimalt are strictly federal matters, this board would therefore ask you to kindly bring them before the proper and maintained altogether by the Im-authorities and to use your best en-Admiralty house here. However, he lection of your action in the House of the Would lay the matter before Hon. Mr. Commons when you strongly urged that the Canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should be required to all the difference of the suggestions as to mail and telegraph the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should be required to all the difference of the suggestions as to mail and telegraph the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should be required to all the difference of the suggestions as to mail and telegraph the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should be required to all the difference of the suggestions as to mail and telegraph the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should the canadian Pacific Railway steam-ships on the China-Japan route should the required to all the required to a

take such steps as would carry them out. In closing, the Minister remarked that In closing, the Minister remarked that he need not say how impressed he was "The United States Bar," proposed by thank you personally for your good with the commercial advantages of Vietoria, and anything he could do to make

Attached to the report was the follow- the harbor approaches more secure he would have pleasure in carrying out. 'The Victoria sealing industry com- He expressed himself as perfectly surprises 65 schooners representing 4,292 fons, with a value of \$643,800, employing 807 whites and 903 Indians, making with sources of the Yukon country, country, country, but the staunch sources of the grad that it may be be a state of the staunch sources of the staunch country, coun

the wives and 903 Indians, making with the wives and families of those employed about eight thousand five hundred per-gons directly dependent on this industry, communication to the Yukon through the was informed that it was about eight thousand five hundred per-communication to the Yukon through sons directly dependent on this industry. The income derived from the season's British territory. It was altogether a catch, taking the average catches and new subject to him as he had until the

British Side. Yesterday being Saturday the Behring Sea Claims Commission had a short sit-ting, adjourning at 1 o'clock until to morrow morning. The examination of Captain Alexander McLean occupied the entire time, and his cross-examination by the British counsel has not yet been finished. May and June for sealing during the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-tion spling within a sixty May and June for sealing during the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-the month of July; restrictions were also made prohibiting our vessels using fire-t

Capt. Daley and Messrs. Ellis and Fitzger-ald. She brought, too, a foreigner, who was fined \$21 on his arrival at Kyuquot for pedling goods without a license. Several sacks of very rich ore from the Sarita were included in the steamer's freight.

Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., expressed

believe that the American government his pleasure at listening to what the is now endeavoring to obtain the consent minister had had to say, and was pleased mentioned company.

Columbia a portion of the trade of Kootenay. During the visit of Mr. Tarte a gentleman interested in one of the proposed roads had claimed that he had information which would sanc-tion the grant of money by the Dominion. If this were so so there should not be the delay of a twenty-five whites, the largest number of The fac-simile of the first weather the largest number of the bolt of the sound of

Coll was given with a feeling and earnattend some school, and that the proper authorities be petitioned to enforce the compulsory clause of the school act." The next emanated in the Women's Mispreciated the kindly sentiments ex-pressed towards him. Mr. Justice Mc-Creight replied for the Supreme court judges.

Mr. E. P. Davis, Q. C., was the pro-poser of the toast of "The Behring Sea Claims Commissioners," Mr. Justice Whereas many little Chinese girls in Victoria are virtually slaves, growing up without the most elementary instruction in either English or Chinese; resolved, that Putnam and Mr. Justice King replying.

Mr. F. B. Gregory, brought responses from Messrs. F. L. Beique, Q.C., and Mr. Robert Cassidy. Hon. D. M. Dick-

It was a rough passage that the steamer

WEST COAST WEATHER.

y-law, and read as follows: "Resolved, that believing that every safeguard should be thrown around our childen, and realizing the demoralizing in-luence received by them by roaming the passing Cape Scott on Thursday evening sighted a big four masted iron vessel stand-ing close in to that rocky projection under streets at night; therefore we request the Local Council of Women to take the necessary steps to obtain permission from the National Executive of the Council of Women of Canada to allow the Council to present a petition asking the Provincial Legislature to give the municipality power to enact a curfew by-law."

WITH SALMON FOR THE U. K.

1896 salmon fleet away, the British four-masted ship Drumcliff, Captain Davies. Her destination is England, and her cargo was received here and at Tacome. Belson Tuesday will see the second last of the sirous of seeing the girls taught in the schools something of the elements of housewas received here and at Tacoma. Balfour Guthrie & Co., of the latter city, are ship-ping on her 4,400 cases of salmon, 33,775 keeping. The resolution carried. Miss Cameron and Miss Robinson were in charge of the resolution offered by the Missionary society of the Centennial Methbags of wheat, and 3,490 sacks of bran. At

bags of wheat, and 3,490 sacks of bran. At Victoria the ship loaded 11,979 cases of sal-i mon, being shipped by Turner, Beeton & J Co; 5,694 cases by George I. Wilson; 4,491 cases by Findlay, Durham & Brodie; and 12,865 cases by Robert Ward & Co. Ltd. The ship is receiving dispatch from the last wentioned company. dist church, as an addition to the executive's expression of opinion as to the use of tobacco by minors. The original resolution read: "Whereas numbers of boys under sixteen may be seen smoking on the public streets of Victoria, be it therefore resolved

that this Local Council of Women condemn MARINE NOTES.

the action of the city police in shutting their eyes to this evil, and also to the of-fence committed by those dealers who sell obacco in any form to children under six tor, which completed loading at the Hast-ing mill yesterday and was towed out by een

The amendment, which prevailed, pro posed to strike out all words after "Coun-cil of Women," and to substitute, as more practical, the following: "Call the atten-tion of the proper authorities to this evil, and also to the fact that tobacco is sold to bilders under sitteen and more the that the the Active last night, her destination being London, Eng. Another Japan coast sealer cleared yes

children under sixteen, and we ask that the law be enforced." Somewhat similar in tenor was the next A NEW COMET.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 10.-A telephone message from Lick Observatory says that a new comet was discovered at 11:30 o'clock on Tuesday night in the constellation of Pisces by C. D. Perrine. Its position is right ascension, 0 hours and 54 minutes, declination 6 degrees 30 minutes north. It is about five minutes of arc in diameter, and of a short, fanshaped tail. It is moving rapidly.

AMBASSADOR BAYARD

LONDON, Dec. 9.-United States ambassador Thomas F. Bayard has accepted the invitation of the Lord Mayor of London, Mr. George Fandel Phillips, to be present at a banquet which will be given in his honor on March 8.

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Princess Louise Antoinette Marie, wife of Prince Frederick August, of Saxeresolution on the list, which was adopted Coburg has given birth to a son.

tion of great moment to the country to take advantage of the present time to se-cure as quickly as possible for British forms the cargo of the British bark Sena-

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