The Initial Letter Produced Asking For Townsite on Behalf of Parties Who Were to Form Company.

government for expenses of survey, etc.

government, deposit a reasonable sum as

pared to give you, in confidence, satisfac-

tory assurances of their ability to carry

on the negotiations they have indicated,

and to perform and covenant which they

The company will be incorporated un-

der the laws of the province of British

The advantage to accrue to the govern-

1. The establishment of the terminus

2. The receipt of the sum of \$10,000 in

cash, which is the government price for

lands of the character above described.

3. The one-quarter of the lots in the

townsite, which property would be of

The company will not bind itself to

procure the establishment of the ter-

minus on the site selected, but will guar-

antee to use its very best efforts in that

behalf, and will pledge itself not to at-

tempt to dispose of the lands or any part

of them for any other purpose whatever

If the government consider this pro-

position favorably we are prepared a

We can give you a sufficient description

of the land to locate the same generally

in your department, and will proceed im-

mediately with the surveys, so that the

crown grants can be issued in due course

To the Honorable the Chief Commission

In the natural sequence of events

the agreement of May 4th, 1904, appears

to have been drawn up. No letter is

produced to show that the government

the above letter, but within four

in last Friday's Times was approved

council to that affect passed.

the Grand Trunk Pacific.

ompany divide?

the company.

of by the government, and an order in

The remaining history of the trans-

action is not contained in any papers

ording to the papers published last

Friday, the lands passed directly to

The intervening history of the com-

pany which was to be formed for the

reading. That is, however, confined to

Did the members of that syndicate

Information on these points cannot,

brought down to the House, but it

This was in February, 1905, and it was

proposed that the company be given an

ary rights to this land, now a part of

an Indian reserve, should be given to

Victoria, B.C., February 21st, 1905.

Sir:-In connection with the subject re-

order in council above referred to.

assurance that the province's revision-

upon the whole transaction.

The letter is as follows:

brought down until in March, 1905, ac-

(Sgd.) E. V. BODWELL

I have the honor to be, sir,

er of Lands and Works.

Your obedient servant,

once to carry out the plan suggested.

may undertake in the premises.

ent will be:

at a suitable place

very great value

guarantee of good faith, and are pre-

In the legislature Thursday after- | land shall revert to the crown, and the noon some additional papers were company shall have no claim against the brought down dealing with the Kaien Island land grant in compliance with but shall be refunded the purchase price the resolution introduced by John of \$1 per acre paid at the time of the Forced to Retire by Mob in Crete-Two Oliver a few days ago. The members survey. of the government in their present fit | 3. The company will, if required by the of self exaltation for the all the advantages which providence, the federal government and the industry of the people of the province, have contributed to bring to the various industries, also plumed themselves on having brought down papers purporting to be a full return without being asked for it. This readiness to bring down papers was in itself sufficient to prompt a suspicion that all was not right. Now additional papers have been produced.

The correspondence seems yet to be incomplete, accounted for apparently from the fact that considerable of the negotiations between the government and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., was by word of mouth.

Among the correspondence brought down yesterday is a letter dated January, 1904, from E. V. Bodwell to the chief commissioner of lands and works. This seems to have been the initial letter which resulted in the agreement of May, 1904. Members of the government have defended their action in entering into the agreement which was made by which the land was to be conveyed to E. V. Bodwell on the ground that in doing so they were handing it over to the Grand Trunk Pacific, and that Mr. Bodwell appeared simply as the solicitor of that company. The attorney-general contended that it was an advantage to deal directly with a resident of the province in such a case, as in so doing they were negotiating with one under the provincial jurisdic-

The last papers brought down show that the government knew perfectly well when the negotiations were begun Mr. Bodwell was not representing the Grand Trunk Pacific directly, but speculators who proposed to form acceded to the proposition contained in themselves into a company, at the same time agreeing that the townsite | months time the agreement published acquired would have to be made the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific, or revert to the province again.

There are no papers produced to show that any change took place in the arran rement before the agreement was ente red into in May, 1904. The proposition! made by Mr. Bodwell that his client: 5, who would later organize themselves into a company, should be given 10.000 ; weres of land at Kaien Island, presum. they for the purpose of negotiating or any basis which they might choose, a ppears therefore to have been acted upc w, and the agreement of the the members of the syndicate almost May following may be taken as carry- exclusively. ing out the proposition made.

perfectly wi lling to give the land to a they still in business? Did the advangroup of mei t who had come into pos- tages expected accrue to the clients session of the fact of what was likely whom Mr. Bodwell said he represented, to be the tern ninus of the railway, for did the unexpected happen and the the sum of \$10 ,000. These men in turn might make w hat terms they pleased with the railwa y company, demanding \$40,000 or more, as they saw fit. The letter of Mr. Bodwell of Janu-

ary, 1904, is as fc flows:

Victoria, B.C ., January 19th, 1904. Sir: The question of the location of the western terminu. & of the Grand Trunk Pacific is one which will very soon enand I am instructed by certain clients to lands in the vicinity of those granted. lay before you the fo lowing points for ur consideration:

It is of the greatest im portance that the terminus should be loca ted on land of such a character that the government on behalf of the people of the province, will derive a direct benefit under those sections of the Land Act which allow them to retain one-quarter of any land granted, which may, after the grant, be ferred to in the order in council dated used as a townsite. Tuck In et is known | the 4th of May, 1904, under the terms of to be a favorable location for a harbor which it was arranged that certain lands able features will be eliminated. This and terminal purposes. On one side of situate on Kaien Island should be con- should permit the club to be strengththe Inlet the land is covered by an In- veyed to the Grand Trunk Pacific Rail ened numerically, and it is expected dian reserve on which a possibile site for way Company for terminal purposes, the a terminus can be found, narnely, the company, after investigating the sub- portunity to make applications for east shore of Digny Island. If that spot ject, has learned that for the railway should be selected by the Grand Trunk yards, coal docks, etc., it will be advis-Pacific, the arrangement will be made en- able-in fact, necessary-to obtain a cer- toria club will be provided with a tirely with the Dominion government and tain portion of the Indian reserve which building and a course second to none no direct benefit will be obtained by the immediately adjoins the land already on the Pacific Coast. province.

If a terminus is located at Port Simpson or Kitimaat Arm the same result will follow, as the land is held by private entering into negotiations with the gov- local links is well known among the owners, and the greater number of the ernment for the acquisition of their re- devotees of the game throughout Canlocations are dated prior to April 17th, 1896, and, therefore, the government will know that the Indian title must be first spend the winter simply for the purhave no interest in the townsite estab- extinguished. The company will be ob- pose of being able to enjoy their favor-

It is possible, however, to so arrange matters that the terminus can be located the local government's interest is not as give it a still greater popularity, and on unoccupied crown lands, and in the circumstances I propose the following for your consideration:

grants of unoccupied or unappropriated the removal of the Indians. crown lands for any purpose of public to the following conditions:

been completed.

that the government will own a very considerable interest in the rest of the townsite, it seems to us that it would be stances, and also considering the site, it seems to us that it would be rea sonable to convey an undivided threequarters to the company. It should always be remembered that it will be the expenditure of their money and their enterprise which will give these lands any value to the government, or to the A REVIEW OF THE TRADE public generally.

We have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servants, (Sgd.) BODWELL & LAWSON.

Honorable the Chief Comi of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C. A letter in reply to this from the government has been brought down, which intimates that while the government was not prepared to enter into such an agreement until the Dominion government had dealt with the question, yet the opinion was expressed that if the land in question was needed by the company it should have the first chance to acquire it.

SOLDIERS REPULSED.

Rioters Killed.

Rome, Jan. 19 .- A dispatch from Canea, Crete, says that grave disorders have occurred in the Italian zone. At Girogiopolis the partizans entered a hall where said as follows: voting for the administrative elections in the hall, fired, killing two and woundfrom other parts of the island.

PURCHASE OF OAK

VICTORIA CLUB HAS SECURED PROPERTY

Approximately Fifty Thousand Dollars Involved in the Transfer-Many Improvements Centemplated.

There was a most important development at Thursday's meeting of the Victoria Gulf Club held at the Driard hotel. It was decided to purchase all that property embraced by the present Oak Bay golf links, with an additional thirty acres, in order to permit the extension of the course, the present one being somewhat small. The entire area includes about 100 acres. It is a part of the Pemberton estate, and it is one of the prettiest sites on the coast.

The gathering at which the question was debated proved exceedingly noisy, there being considerable dissension as to the best policy to pursue, in view taking over of these lands would, it is fair to say, make very interesting by the C. P. R., with J. S. Dennis, the land commissioner, acting as agent, possession. For some time no definite lecision could be reached, but towards of course, be expected in the returns would throw undoubtedly side lights cost of approximately \$50,000. Besides Another paper was brought down among the correspondence yesterday, which shows that the Grand Trunk Pacific sought through its solicitor of that time, E. V. Bodwell, additional

part of the present links. It is proposed to undertake quite a number of improvements. The first step, of course, will be that already mentioned. The arrangement of the course is now somewhat inconvenient. as the "holes" cross each other, and what dangerous proximity. When the alterations are complete such a thing will be rendered impossible, as the course may be laid so that all undesirmany will take advantage of the opmembership. The headquarters also will be extended, and in short the Vic-

surveyed under the provisions of the The importance of such a possession to the general prosperity of Victoria The company is desirous, therefore, of cannot be overestimated. Already the visionary interest in these lands. You ada, and quite a number come here to liged to deal with the government of ite pastime under pleasant conditions. Canada on that subject. The value of The extension of the course should great as it would be if they possessed the the number attracted here by it should unencumbered fee. We should be glad, increase correspondingly.

however, to have some idea of the price Although it is understood Mr. Dennis Under section 39, chapter 113, of the which the government would ask for has denied that the C. P. R. was not Land Act, the government in council is their interest, provided that we can ar- the syndicate which attempted to purauthorized to make free, or partially free, range with the Dominion government for chase the Oak Bay links, there is reason to believe that the company is You will remember that the writer on the lookout for a favorable locaadvantage. From inquiries which I have mentioned this subject to you a day or tion for the establishment of a golf Island. caused to be made I understand that a two since, and you stated that the gov- links. When the splendid hotel being tract of suitable land can be obtained ernment prefer that the proposition erected on the James Bay flats is comfrom the crown lands surrounding Tuck should come from the company. The plete, every effort will be made to Inlet, on the Tsimp-sheen Peninsula, writer has conferred with Mr. Morse, bring tourists to Victoria by advertiswhich are now covered by a reserve. I who is here now representing the Grand ing the attractions of this city most suggest that my clients form a company Trunk Pacific Railway Company in these energetically. Although beautiful to acquire these lands-say, 10,000 acres- transactions, and it seems to us fair to scenery and an unmatched climate are agents, F. R. Stewart & Co., who including foreshore and water front, in suggest that the government, after the much to be desired, they alone cannot handle the fruit on a commission basis. blocks of not less than half a mile Indian title is extinguished, should con- hope to keep strangers for any length square; a grant of the lands to be made vey that portion of the lands required by of time. Therefore the C. P. R., with by the crown to the company, and the the Company and should retain a oneatter undertaking to negotiate with the quarter interest in those lands. As the viding some recreation for the guests Grand Trunk Pacific for the establish- situation now is, the lands are practically at their hostelry. One of these, it is The crates and boxes bought in large ment of their western terminus, subject valueless; they are not fit for occupa- expected, will be the popular game of quantities are obtained at a cheaper tion or settlement, and can only be used golf. Now that the Oak Bay site is rate. 1. The company will pay to the govern- for the townsite or railway purposes. not available, it is not improbable that ment the sum of \$1 per acre for the land Under the company's plan these lands the property owned by the Hudson's As fruit can be handled much more as soon as the survey of the same has will not form a part of the town proper, Bay Company, in the neighborhood of that is to say, they are not likely to have Cadboro Bay, will be inspected with a ter prices are obtained and regular 2. If the company shall fail to secure the establishment of the western terminus on the site selected within twelve by the company in connection with the surprising if it change hands somemonths from the date of the grant, the railway service, and in these circum- time in the near future,

Encouraging Outlook For the Apple and Strawberry Export Business From

The following article has been prepared for the Times by H. F. Pullen: It has been estimated by some that the orchards of this district are increasing at the rate of about one mil- fruit grower or not grow any fruit. It quence there will soon be a glut in the give it his best thought and effort. fruit market with a corresponding Anything less than this must result in drop in prices below the profit line. In failure, and be an injury to the whole order to find out if such a result is community. The day is past when a likely to follow the present develop- man expects to do nothing but plant an idea of the past season's output, fruit. If the business is not worth doan interview was obtained with Mr. ing well it is not worth doing at all, Arthur Brenchley, local manager for just as every other business. There is F. R. Stewart & Co., who in substance plenty of money to be made, but it

was in progress and tried to break the of large fruit, such as apples, pears, the world should not lead people to ballot boxes. Italian soldiers who were plums and prunes were shipped from imagine that a fortune can be made ing seven, but the rioters being rein- provinces. Besides these smaller ship- moistening of the brow and a careful forced, the soldiers were compelled to ments were made regularly, amounting study of the best methods of conduct-Similar disturbnaces are reported in all to at least fifteen carloads. Then ing the business. there was the local demand, which would amount to about three carloads. Although this may not at first sight look very big, yet, when it is considered that the first car was shipped from Victoria in August of 1902, and that the crop last year was below the average, the result is very satisfactory. In spite of the small crop of apples, Bartlett pears and plums there was an increase of about fifteen per cent. over last year's shipments."

The strawberry crop last year was not much more than half the average yet he estimated that the total output of the district was one hundred and forty thousand pounds or seven carloads. A large part of this was consumed locally, but enough were shipped to keep the Eastern buyers in mind of the superior flavor of the Victoria

Mr. Brenchley is hopeful that grow ers will raise more of the variety known as Clark's seedling, as they are the best shippers as well as the finest flavored berry on the market. The Magoon, he said, is good, but does not keep anything like as long as the extended cruise in the Pacific. Esquimalt former, while the Sharpless is useless is not mentioned in this connection, but except for local consumption.

During the last year or two the packing and grading has very much improved, but even yet there is room for improvement in many cases. The improvement is due to the strict enforce- in the Pacific at one time regularly visitment of the Fruit Acts, both Dominion and provincial. There is often a good deal of grumbling at the severity of the inspectors, but it is necessary to be severe if we are to keep our markets. Laxity in packing and grad- sions on this Coast, and has doubtless ing means the loss of markets, the end been selected by the Admiralty for the of which would be that Victoria would long cruise because of her adaptability cease to be a shipping point.

Upper British Columbia is entering vessel. of all the circumstances. It was known into the business in competition with that a syndicate, presumably backed us, and this competition is bound to be keen. There the trees are all young,

A suggestion of Mr. Brenchley's that chase the 100 acres mentioned at a ing inspected the inspectors shall visit information bearing on the subject it is arrives, and insist that the trees be this there will be considerable expense either cleaned or destroyed. This, folattached to clearing the additional followed by a rigid inspection of the change of government may have a very property, installing "greens" and in marketed fruit must prove effective in other ways arranging for making it a insuring that nothing but clean fruit is put upon the market.

Just now practically all of our surplus fruit is sent to Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan, and vet the percentage of our fruit used there is extremely small. That market is almost players, starting and finishing, are is grown west of the Rocky mountains, illimitable. No fruit worth mentioning but the country is filling up rapidly with wheat growers and cattle ranchers, all of whom will be customers of It will take all of our vacant land as well as that of the Upper Country to raise sufficient fruit to supply this huge demand, and the demand may be Appointment Made For Districts on vet more largely increased by cultivating a desire for the almost unknown luxuries we are able to produce. The farmers of the prairies are every year becoming more wealthy, and as of the following appointments: their wealth increases they will be able to afford better to buy the luscious fruits from the western garden of | board of examiners under the Dentis-

The Yukon country has as yet been supplied almost wholly from the Western States. If we had the goods they would buy from us in preference. This the Supreme court, under the Provinmarket and the Yukon and the Aus- cial Elections Act. tralian markets may well act as a safety valve in the time of pressure tary public for the province. when some day in the future our millions of trees are loaded to the ground, and Percy N. Smith, of Vancouver, to and the wheat crop on the prairies is be members of the board of directors light as some of our pessimistic friends of Vancouver General hospital for suggest. I do not ever expect to see 1906. the time when there will be no buyers for Victoria grown fruit, but I expect | be members of the board of licensing | to see blossoming orchards covering a large part of this end of our fertile

The fruit trade of this district is controlled by the Victoria Fruitgrowers' Association & Exchange, Limited, a cooperative society which includes all the large growers in the district. The business is done through their selling The objects of the society are:

To safeguard fruit growers' interests and in the use of a uniform package. To sell through the best channels. son, of Nanaimo).

economically in large quantities, bet- bell, of Cumberland; James A. Car-

Cumberland.) when the fruit is unfit for shipping

factory. This would be also available in time of a glut if that time should ever arrive. The preserving industry is capable of great development. Instead of bringing jams from England, Eastern Canada, and the United States the whole of it might be made right here in Victoria with a profit to the producer and a saving of expense to the consumer, besides the assurance of

having a pure article. The largest fruit growers thusiastic as to the future of the industry in this district, where the conditions are second to none on the coninent, our natural asset of sunshine giving us a decided advantage over our less fortunate neighbors. This, is especially true of strawberries and other early fruit, which ripens here weeks earlier than in other parts of

the province. In conclusion Mr. Breanchley emphasized the fact that the time has now come when a man should either be a should be his business, and he should ment of the industry, and also to get his trees and later on to gather his takes some effort to make it. The fact "This last season nine full carloads that our climate is one of the best in Victoria to Manitoba, and the new from a five-acre plot without the

WILL CRUISE IN

WARSHIPS WILL LEAVE ENGLAND SHORTLY

H. M. S. Flora and Cambrian it is Reported Will Visit This Coast.

The Naval and Military Record in a recent issue reports that H. M. S. Flora and Cambrian will leave England for an that that port is the objective point of the cruisers can hardly be gainsaid. The Record states that the ships will touch at a number of the islands and stations ed, but which have for the past year or so been cut out of the naval programme. The Flora is a ship familiar to Victorians having served out one or more commis for the work. The Cambrian is a similar

The presence of those ships will go a long way to promote that confidence generally felt when the navy from Esquimalt while in this district many of the was withdrawn, namely, that the Admirorchards are old, and have been neg- alty while introducing such a radical was negotiating for the purchase of lected for years, therefore, inspection change would inaugurate a policy that The gover mment, it would seem, was fall out among themselves, or are the links, making immediate action im- is doubly important. One box of scaly would in a measure compensate Vicperative if it was desired to retain fruit may result in the condemnation torians for the loss they sustained. It is of a whole shipment, causing a very not stated for what length of time the ships will remain on the Pacific.

It is thought that the Admiratty would the close the atmosphere cleared as a is likely to be carried into effect is that not dispatch a couple of cruisers so great way out of the difficulty became ap- instead of waiting until the fruit ar- a distance excepting to keep them here parent. It was determined to pur- rives at the shipping centre before be- for a few months. In the absence of all the orchards before the shipping season difficult to understand the significance of the vessels coming.

A number are of the opinion that the important effect on the policy of the Admiralty, which, according to discussion in naval circles in the Old Country, has not been all that had been claimed for it. According to an arrangement entered

into when the policy of concentration was agreed upon, the ships will secure their supplies at different consulate ports, and possibly on their arrival here after so long a voyage will be docked for a clean-It is now a good two years since any British ship visited some of the remote

islands in the Southern Pacific. LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

Vancouver Island-Other Gazette Notices. This week's Gazette contains notice

Frank P. Smith, of New Westminster; D. D. S., to be a member of the try Act, in place of Dr. Lewis Hall, whose term of office has expired.

Geo. D. McKay, of Vancouver, to be A. S. Hood, of Phoenix, to be a no-

J. F. Garden, M. P. P., J. J. Banfield C. S. Douglas and J. W. Prescot to

Aldermen T. H. Boyd and E. H. Heaps to be members of the board of ommissioners of police for Vancou-The following have been appointed Liquor Act for the districts named: Esquimalt district-J. R. Saunders, of

commissioners for Vancouver.

John Muir, of Sooke, J. P. (Chief license inspector, Superintendent F. S. North Nanaimo District-Samuel Jones, of Wellington; Richard Wallis, of Nanoose Bay, J. P.; Duncan A. Mc-Milan, of Englishman river. cense inspector, Constable D. Stephen

Esquimalt; Jas. Phair, of Goldstream;

Comox District-Charles Henry Tarthew, of Cumberland; Thomas Turnbull, of Cumberland; (chief license in To safeguard growers in time of rains spector, Constable J. Thompson, of

KING DAVID LOST ON WEST COAST

Was Wrecked Near Nootka--Queen City Rescues Eighteen of Crew--Remainder Believed Drowned.

One more of the big fleet of carriers | to her is believed to be due the fact has found her doom on the west that the M. Turner, of San Francisco coast of Vancouver Island. The King, David, which sailed from Salinas Cruz for some time past, piled upon Bajo point, above Nootka Sound, on the 13th of December last.

The fact that no tidings of the loss of the vessel have been received until today is due to the remoteness of the point at which she met destruction. To this fact, too, is attributed indirect ly the lamentable fact that in addition to the big vessel herself, seven of her crew have from present indications lost their lives in the breakers which sweep along that coast.

The crew did not perish at the time the vessed struck, all of them getting ashore safely and making temporary preparations for their protection until the arrival of a ship or of some settlers would liberate them from their position. They remained about a week on the beach, subsisting, as far as can be learned on the food brought from the loomed vessel, and on the 23rd it was decided that an effort should be made to obtain assistance from another quarter. As a result six men, under the command of the chief officer, A. Wallstron, set off in one of the ship's boats for Cape Beale, on the self imposed task of seeking succor for their omrades and ship mates.

It is now a month since they set out. and the fact that they have not yet been reported from any point along the coast would seem to indicate that they were not only unsuccessful, but that they perished in the attempt to reach the settlement.

Meanwhile their eighteen comrades maintained watch on the beach, floating signals by day and lighting fires by night to attract the attention of any vessel which happened to pass

On the 15th their long vigil was rewarded, as their signals were descried by Captain Townsend, of the Queen City, bound on her long trip from Victoria to Cape Scott. It did not take Capt. Townsend long to get his boats over the side and off to the rescue of the shipwrecked mariners.

Unfortuantely succor to the poor felows, although timely proved almost too late, as one of their number, a sail maker named Donald McLeod, sucumbed to illness, presumably the result of exposure on the day following

The first officer, who is believed to have perished, with the six men composing his crew, hailed from Oxford, New Zealand. The names of others were not contained in the brief dispatch received by the Times late this afternoon from its West Coast correspondent.

The King David, as stated, is about 110 days out of and overdue from Salinas Cruz. The vessel's destination this position twice since the date of day of October in last year had any be seen, and the crew having used all shipping men were becoming daily the steamer. more and more convinced that one of two fates had overtaken the big craft. and that she would never be heard

from again. The King David was an iron vessel of 2,068 tons register, and was built in Glasgow in 1894. The vessel, which was 279 feet long, 42 feet beam and 24 feet depth of hold, was owned by John A. Walker & Co., of Liverpool. A change of masters occurred while the vessel was at Salinas Cruz, Captain Cattrall, who took the vessel on her last voyage from the Sound, being superseded by Captain Davidson, who, it is said, has until now been the first officer on the packet.

M. Turner Picked Up.

The Queen City was not only instru- the M. Turner can be repaired and mental in saving the lives, in all prob- ready for sea. The sails and rigging ability of eighteen men on this trip, but having suffered terribly."

is not also a wreck on the West Coast along with the King David.

about 110 days ago, and which has been after performing the deed of mercy On the 18th of January, two days chronicled above, the Queen City sight. ed the M. Turner, with her sails blown to shreds, and evidently helpless in the sea which was running, and which together with the set of the tides and currents would probably have soon piled her on the beach.

Capt Townsend lost no time in passing a line aboard her and towing her into comparative safety in Clannish harbor, where she will probably await instructions from her agents or own ers, if unable to repair the loss to her

The M. Turner is owned by Matthews, of Benecia. She is a fourmaster, built in 1902, and her tonnage is 763 tons. The schooner was bound presumably from down coast to the Sound. A special dispatch to the Times from

Bamfield tells of the arrivel there Saturday of the steamer Queen City with additional particulars of the wreck of the King David. This dispatch also gives the names of

the officer and seamen who set out for Cape Beale in order to obtain assistance. The missing men follow CHIEF OFFICER WOLLSTEIN

P. A. SORRENSEN. H. G. RAY. EVAN JONES

Following is the dispatch received by the Times "Steamer Queen City arrived from the West Coast to-day with further news of the wreck of the King David, of Glasgow, bound from Salina Cruz

to Port Townsend, in ballast. Capt.

MARTIN PEDERSEN.

Davidson and 17 of the crew are on board. 'The captain reports his vessel was close to Nootka Sound on the night of the 10th of December in clear weather. Dirty weather came up during the night which drove them inshore where they anchored until the gale of the 13th of December, when, in spite of all efforts, they were driven on to Bajo reefs, where she now rests, her bow nearly torn away by the rocks.

Though high and dry she will probably be a total loss. "On the 21st of December Cap Davidson dispatched Chief Officer Wolestein and six seamen, J. Rogers, P. A. Sorrensen, H. G. Ray, John Poda, Evan Jones and Martin Pedersen to try and make Cape Beale lighthouse for assistance, but up to date they have not been heard from anywhere along

"The crew landed safely with all provisions, and have been living nuts on shore until picked up by the

Queen City. "Though the Queen City has passed Roads. Not once since the 1st that has prevailed, the vessel could not the wreck, on account of dirty weather their rockets, were unable to signal to

Davidson as master of the vessel, and he feels the loss very keenly. "Sailmaker Donald McLeod died on board the Queen City from the effe of exposure, and was buried at Quat-

"The Queen City succeeded in rescuing from a dangerous position near Kyuoquot the American four-master M. Turner, which was within fifty feet of one of the worst reefs on the coas and completely helpless. The Queen City got a line aboard, and towed her into safety. How the M. Turner got into the position amongst the reefs without having been torn to pieces is a miracle. It will be some days before

of Duncan; James Norcross, of Som- terday joined their employers in arenos; Donald McPherson, of Cobble ranging a friendly basis of wages and Hill: (chief licence inspector, Constable A. H. Lomas, of Duncan.)

North Victoria District-W. E. Scott of Ganges Harbor, J. P.; A. R. Spalding, of Pender Island; Wm. Thompson. of Saanich. (Chief licence inspector Constable D. G. Cox, of Victoria.) Alberni District-Thomas Kirkpat-

rick, of Alberni; John Reid McLaren, of Alberni; John Orr, of Alberni. (Chief licence inspector, Chief Constable C. A. Cox. of Alberni.) South Nanaimo District-William Nicholas, of Ladysmith; George White,

Ladysmith. (Chief licence inspector Constable Geo. C. Cassidy, of Ladysmith.) South Victoria District-Edwin John of South Saanich; Walter S. Loveland, of Lake district; John Sinclair, of Cadboro Bay. (Chief license inspector Sergeant F. R. Murray, of Victoria.)

The resignation of C. J. South as

of Nanaimo; William Carmichael, of

superintendent under the Childrens Protection Act is accepted. Notice is given by Robertson & Robertson acting for the applicants that application will be made at this sitting of the legislature for the incorporation of a line of railway from Penticton to the boundary line of the United States. Among the companies incorporated

B. C. Powder Co., capitalized at \$50,-000; and Burrard Canning Co., with a capital of \$25,000.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS

For Peace Between Employers and Employees in Chicago During the Year.

distances by preserving in their own | Cowichan District-David Alexander, was for peace. The steam-fitters yes- heart failure.

conditions during three years. Other building trades unions it is said will be influenced by the attitude assumed by the steam fitters. The carpenters are asking for an increase in wages. and the iron workers are seeking new conditions.

Conciliation was exercised on both sides in the new agreement signed by the union and the Master Steam Fitters' Association. The men will receive slightly higher wages, but will submit to their employers rules without change.

NEW GUNS FOR FORTS.

London, Jan. 19 .- The war department has decided to re-arm all the coast defence forts from the Thames to Plymouth with six and nine-inch guns, the present armament, 4.7-inch guns, being considered inadequate.

SALVAGE AWARD.

London, Jan. 19.-The Admiralty court has awarded the British steamer Lucigen \$25,000 for service rendered in September last in towing to Halifax the North German Lloyd steamer Bremen, which became unmanageable by the breaking of a shaft while on a voyage from New York to Bremen.

NOTED OCULIST DEAD.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.-Dr. Swan M. Burnett, a noted oculist of this city, and the former husband of Chicago, Ill., Jan. 18.-The first move Mrs. Frances M. Hodgson Burnett, the of the building trades unions in 1906 authoress, died suddenly to-day

CHAPTER IX.-The grim and dusty empty house seemed t that there was any du floor, which seemed a wdered with it, a brown cobwebs hung smiled approvingly pointed the fact out t point?" the former ask stop! The two side-s bay windows are clos same vivid crim centre window. And the walls is exactly faint discoloration by

a perfect facsimite." In fact, this is the in the other night," Be "Impossible!" Steel blind may be an accide fading of the distemp niture, the engraving Are all capable of

which we shall arriv "Can we arrive at t the door with patienc noticed an old pair of sitting room. Would ing them against th

David complied readi was growing credulou in spite of himself. A tion he placed the step light" and mounted head were the figures shape and formed in v "Now then," Bell sai this pocketknife, appl the hight-hand lower om of the 8-to half fact and I shall be

prised if the quarter-Some away from the g light, leaving the rest tact. Very gently, plea to convince yourself comes away because f not because the pressu it. Now then." The point of the kr under the edge of the the segment of the lo

ped into Steel's hand. the edges of the cemen fingers. As yet the fi "Go out into the ros the fanlight," Bell dire David complied eag cry of surprise escap looked up. The change Instead of the figures : new the change to 219 passed muster withou ninety-nine people ou With a strong light be the clumsy 9 would noticed at all. The

and ingeniousness of its safeguard. "I should like to have the man who thought th said, drily.

'Yes, I fancy that y with quite clever peop "And now I have show terly you have been number we will go a lit the present, the way furniture trick was w main a mystery. \ But furniture here, or this swept and garnished of the house remains in dition. If my eyes do I can see two fresh na the archway leading to On those nails hung the prevented you seeing i necessary. Are you st as to the house where

"I confess that my seriously shaken," Day "But about the furniture my telephone call from town house? And abou ture taking place in th house to the one taken Brighton? And about Mi tation when she learnt Do you call them coinci 'No, I don't," Bell sa "They are merely evide folks taking advantage strategic position. I said was an important po Gates had merely taken furnished. But we shall

remarkable adventure?'

side of the theory in due you any other objection "One more, and I hav the present. When I other night-provided of did come here-immedia entering the dining-roo was brilliantly illuminat rectly the place was vo of electric current would the meter. So far as I ca two or three units mus consumed during my could not be many less ti burning for an hour. Nov read an electric meter?" "My dear fellow, there

"Then let us go down ment and settle the mat pretty sure to be a card made up to the day when ant went out. See, the As Steel spoke he snapp

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