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PROVINCE GETS GREAT LIBRARY

ACQUIRES COLLECTION OF MR. JUSTICE MARTIN

Rare and Unrivalled Records of Western Canadian Exploration Secured

To form the backbone of the provincial library when it is housed in the new library wing to be erected on Parliament Square, the splendid historical library of Mr. Justice Martin has been acquired by the province.

The collection is the result of close upon a quarter of a century's untiring effort on the part of the learned judge, and the very valuable collection, which in particular is unrivalled in bearing on the exploration of the Dominion west of Lake Superior, also includes the collector's own work on the Hudson Bay Company's Land Tenures, and Lord Selkirk's Settlers in the River, published in London in 1838, together with volumes by the same author on the mining lands of this province, and other erudite subject matter.

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OBITUARY RECORD

(From Monday's Daily.) The funeral of the late John Galagher took place at 8.15 o'clock this morning from the Victoria Undertaking Parlor, proceeding thence to the Roman Catholic cathedral, where low mass was said by Rev. Father Laterme.

Mrs. Jennie Williamson passed away at the St. Joseph's hospital on Saturday afternoon. She was a native of Scotland and was 53 years of age. She is survived by her husband, William Williamson, a 6-year-old son and her father.

The funeral of the late Joseph Bell took place from the Victoria Undertaking Parlor on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. T. W. Gladstone.

The private funeral of the late Gordon Schnoter took place from the Hanna chapel yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. Leslie Clay. Interment was made in Ross Bay cemetery.

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LOCALS WIN EASY GAME ON SATURDAY

Giants Unable to Hit Thorsen's Slow, Curveless Ball—Fullerton in Air

(From Monday's Daily.) The Islanders were irresistible on Saturday and won their easiest game of the season by a score of 13 to 3 from the Seattle Giants. Fullerton looked good on Wednesday when he held Victoria to eight scattered hits and three runs, but on his second occasion in the box on the Athletic diamond he was a pickings for the local batters, while Thorsen, although he kept the fans in a continual state of perspiring anxiety by the manner in which he lobbed the ball over apparently without anything on it at all, pitched the high sign on the Giants and in only one inning did they get more than one hit.

Thorsen certainly must have cast some kind of a jinx over the Shanks slugsmiths, for Bues and Ort coming in line would make a hard proposition for any pitcher to stack up against, but for a twirler with a rowe swing to go through nine innings with no more than eight hits scored against him is a combination like that is nothing short of marvellous. Even after the first and second sessions had been successfully tilted over the fans were dubious about Thorsen being able to go the entire route, but when third, fourth and fifth had slid past with more than two runs scored by the visitors, while the home team had exactly eight hits total up to eight they leaned back in their seats with expressions of mingled surprise, doubt and pleasure, the latter showing most prominently of course. Some opined that the batter, thinking the game all ready lost, were trying but they were in the large minority and did not stop to think that no matter who wins the game every player has his hitting streaks.

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SIR WILFRID'S ADDRESS TO PEOPLE OF CANADA

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"Canada has made unexampled progress in the great work of nation building since the confederation in 1867," Mr. Borden continues. "That work has been carried on without any such treaty or agreement as is now proposed."

In conclusion, Mr. Borden declares that the government has placed the agreement before its own honor, as it began in May the investigation into the newspaper reports that the Minister of the Interior, Hon. Frank Oliver, had profited in the sale of lands to the Canadian Northern Railway and important witnesses from the west were to have been examined by the board.

"It is a distinct breach of constitutional usage," says Mr. Borden, "that parliament should be dissolved while one of its committees is engaged in the investigation of charges that involve the honor of a minister of the crown and the fate of the government."

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LUCERIC MAKES A SUNDAY CALL

SIXTY TONS CARGO FROM THE ORIENT

The Bank liner, Luceric, Captain Mathie, completed her second trip between Yokohama and Victoria yesterday, arriving at the outer wharf at 4 p. m., discharging freight and then proceeding to Vancouver, leaving here at 10 p. m.

The Luceric brought 19 first class passengers and 52 in the second class from the Orient. She carried practically a full complement of cargo and discharged 60 tons here for various consignees. The cargo for Victoria consisted of stores and equipment for the H. M. S. Esmeralda, consigned from the Hongkong navy yard storehouse, and a large consignment of Oriental goods from Yokohama for the Chinese firm of Dan Yock Tong, S. Hallcross, and the H. M. S. Esmeralda, consigned from Holland were the other Victoria consignees.

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CAPT. W. H. WHITELEY LEAVES THE BEATRICE

Upon the arrival of the Princess Beatrice in port on Saturday from Queen Charlotte Island ports, Capt. W. H. Whiteley, her master, left the ship in view of his appointment, commencing to-morrow, as a Victoria pilot, and the severance of his connection with the vessel was made the occasion of a presentation to him by the ship's company.

Chief Officer J. Shaw called the officers and men to the saloon and presented Capt. Whiteley with a very handsome gold mounted umbrella, and an illuminated address, bearing the signatures of all hands, congratulating the master on his appointment and expressing regret upon the fact that he was leaving the ship.

The Princess Beatrice brought about 100 passengers and 150 tons of cargo, mostly salmon and pulp. The boat brought advice that salmon is now running slack on the Skeena and Naas. Every half the usual pack is expected, and therefore salmon canners are working to secure an extension of the fishing season. They desire that there shall be no close season between August 25 and September 15.

The Princess Beatrice sails for the North to-morrow night, and will go out under command of Capt. Locke.

Prof. A. Agot, director of the French bureau, has arranged with Chief Willis Moore, of the United States weather bureau, to furnish this information daily so that mariners at American ports may have use of it.

ROOMING HOUSE THEIVES.

Series of Burglaries Brought to the Attention of the Police. (From Monday's Daily.) With the great influx of population to the city of Victoria during the present summer season there has developed the almost inevitable and certainly unfortunate phenomena known as the rooming house thief. This brand of thief is peculiar to cities circumstantially like Victoria, and while a few have become sacrifices to the vigilance of the police their fellows continue to carry on the work with increased vigor and over greater areas.

To rob a rooming house is perhaps easier than to rob almost any other kind of a house. The diversity of temporary ownership gives the thief a confidence which he could not possibly muster up in tackling a private family establishment. Where a number of young men have rooms it is impossible to know whether the rightful owners are always in them at the critical time and consequently any set back which

MIDNIGHT FIRE WIPES OUT MILL

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While the cause of the fire remains wrapped in mystery its inception can be dated from a few minutes to two o'clock in the morning. A young man named Spence, who was proceeding in the direction of the mill, observed a suspicious tongue of flame emerging from the dry kiln and realizing what that meant at that time of the morning at once raised the alarm. His shouting was responded to by the night watchman whose name is Newlands, whom he discovered lying in the direction of the alarm box.

The fire had a firm grip before the watchman was aware of his danger and he had a narrow escape with his life, as, had he failed to become conscious of the fire for few minutes more, he would probably never would have been able to get out of the premises. In an instant the alarm was given and then came seemingly a terminable period of waiting for the fire department. Every second the fire spread out in new direction and consumed new material. There was little or no wind, and this fact must be regarded as most fortunate.

The alarm was really scarcely being rung in, when the warning siren of the fire department was heard. The fire department, in a few seconds a series of hose lines was laid, the engine boilers were groaning under the high pressure strain, and in an incredibly short space of time great tributaries of water were pouring on the burning building.

In that short period, however, the dry timber had enabled the flames to assume an unconquerable command of the situation and all that the department could hope to do was to save the parts so far untouched. This they set about doing, but the terrific heat engendered by the proximity of the burning materials rendered even this task one of tremendous difficulty.

From a spectacular point of view the fire was great. At the time of the conflagration there were a million feet of lumber in the mill. It may be imagined therefore what a theatre of flames their burning caused to rise up in the night air. After it had been blazing for about half an hour it reached its greatest and most dangerous point, the flames rising in great crescendo movements and sweeping over towards the street and the other places so far untouched by the fire. Now and then a swift upward movement accompanied by a bright discoloration of the general scheme notified an explosion of some kind or other. The concrete mixer which has been in use on Government street in that area, and which had been left with some gasoline in its tank became ignited and after burning for a few minutes exploded with "boom" as though it had been blanketed.

To the efforts of the firemen and the good sense of the chief is due the fact that not more damage than has been recorded was accomplished by the fire. The immediate vicinity to the mill is the Canadian-Puget Sound lumber mill with its great plant, on one side the Lemon, Gonnason company's mill, and on another the gas works. During the whole period of the fire, these contiguous premises were in constant danger of being assimilated and absorbed but insistent work and skilful operation of hose lines these places were saved from the general ruin to which the Taylor mill was inevitably reduced.

In all there were eighteen lines of hose playing on the fire. Several of these belonged to the B. C. Electric Company, whose chief did good work in co-operation with the fire department, and under the general guidance of Fire Chief Davis. The salt water department as a whole did all that could be done under the circumstances. Many other men not associated with either the department or the B. C. Electric Company played prominent parts in the final extinction of the flames. In fact this assistance gives rise to a curious coincidence.

One of the members of the Taylor firm, in talking over the possibilities of a fire down in that vicinity, one day requested the chief to have the "B" blast rung, as it had been arranged with the workmen that they would render any possible help. Immediately Chief Davis arrived on the scene and had mentally grappled with the situation he gave order for the blast to be blown. A man was detailed for the task and inside a few seconds the great "B" horn had added its hideous shriek to the general din. The response was almost instantaneous. A great bunch of sturdy workmen who lived in the district, and who had been awakened by the fire, rushed to the scene and signified their readiness to do whatever might be asked of them.

In speaking of the work accomplished in this way Chief Davis, expressed his gratification at the disinterested efforts thus gratuitously given by workmen to save a burning building irrespective of whether it was their employer's or not. In all respects he was perfectly satisfied with what had been done. Nothing could have saved the mill when he got to it. No brigade in the wide world could hope to cope with such a conflagration unless it had got to it earlier and that under the circumstances, was quite impossible.

To have saved even a fragment of the mill is deserving of no little credit. Think the record the fact that the timber was in a state of inflammation and nothing on earth could have extinguished it once a fair grip had been obtained by the fire. The re-ignition of the mill could have been obtained by the fire. The re-ignition of the mill could have been obtained by the fire. The re-ignition of the mill could have been obtained by the fire.

It is stated that the loss to the Taylor Lumber Company is only partially covered by insurance, the figure mentioned being \$25,000. A direct result of the fire was the bursting of a water main on Government street owing to the high pressure. When the main burst the terrific velocity of escaping water forced the street up, and by the time the overflow had been checked, the level of the thoroughfare in the immediate locality had been raised about a foot. Very soon a gang of men were set to work to remedy the break and it is expected the repairs will be completed in a day or two.

TAYLOR MILL OFFICE AND GASOMETER

These were saved by splendid work on the part of Fire Chief Davis and his men, with volunteer assistance.

MAJOR DUNKED ON BEAUTY SCHEME

RECONSIDERATION CALL IS QUIETLY IGNORED

As was indicated in the Times the other day, Mayor Morley called a meeting of the beautification committee for Friday afternoon to reconsider the whole civic centre matter, although the report adopted one of the schemes already outlined was prepared and ready for signature. His letter to the members of the committee was published in the Times and showed clearly that the expenditure entailed upon the execution of the proposed scheme had been the main cause in changing the mind of the municipal head of the city. However, the majority of the members of the committee stayed away from the meeting Friday afternoon and thus rendered abortive his worship's attempt to have the matter reconsidered.

The meeting was called, but when an hour had elapsed from the scheduled time of starting it was realized that no meeting could possibly be held as there was no quorum, and that the matter would have to be postponed. Whether the action of the other members of the committee in staying away was intended merely as a protest, or whether it amounted to a strategem, the object of which being to have the original report passed up to the council, cannot be ascertained. If the latter object was the one in mind it failed on account of the fact that, although the report has been adopted, it had not been signed and therefore, could not be brought before the council.

Only four members of the committee turned up at the meeting in question, his worship, the mayor, Mr. Justice Martin, and Aldermen Ross and Gleason. As the time elapsed and no one else appeared in sight to constitute a quorum the meeting resolved itself into a test-a-tete between the mayor and the judge. The latter made no bones about his opinion of the former's action in cancelling the report of the committee. Later on Alderman Langworthy, who is a member of the committee, appeared in the building, but he speedily made it apparent that he did not intend to have anything to do with the reconsideration proposal.

"HOW AND WHY A SPIRITUALIST"

Rev. B. F. Austin lectures a Series of Lectures Here. (From Monday's Daily.) Last evening in K. of P. hall Dr. B. F. Austin, ex-president of the Albia College, and for twenty years a prominent Methodist minister in Ontario, told the story of his conversion to Spiritualism. He spoke on that topic by request.

He said he first became interested in the topic through patrons of the college who were Spiritualists, through the reports of the Psychological Research Society, and also through his own readings and study in the new psychology. As teacher of mental and moral science he found a vast body of facts fully authenticated in the current text books and in current literature, and also in the experiences of many reputable men and women of his acquaintance relating to significant and prophetic dreams, premonitions, prophecies, warnings, apparitions, messages, etc., which seemed to be entirely unexplainable by any recognized scientific method, and which he had seen in his own mind. This, with that gradual loss of faith in the old theology which every progressive mind, either within or without the church, experienced, led him, through a process of mental evolution, to investigate the phenomena and study the philosophy of Spiritualism. He found to his surprise a vast literature in connection with the subject, some of it worthless, some of it containing truth with much chaff, and goodly portions of it, particularly the writings of the scientists, Crookes, Wallace, Flammarion, Zargner, Prof. Hare, Dr. Sexton, Sargent and Lombroso, of great value along the line of the phenomena, and the philosophy of Spiritualism very ably expounded by "The Poughkeepsie Seer," Dr. A. J. Davis, and such writers as Arnold, who have inspected the Washoe smelters as the guests of the management, and later dined with the mill and smelter men.

A brief forenoon session was held, at which the convention voted to table a resolution providing that all men in the mining industry shall belong to the same union, that all charters in conflict with the resolution be revoked, and that all members of the Western Federation of Miners shall become members of the miners' unions in their respective localities. A motion to repeal the clause of the constitution prohibiting working contracts for specific periods was referred to a committee. Legislation against the use of "detectives and armed thugs by the capitalist in carrying out its purposes" was adopted.

Saturday closed the second week of the session. The election may come off next Saturday, but inasmuch as the desultory discussions have already taken up most of the two sessions held, it is thought the convention will be deliberating for another fortnight.

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Winnipeg, July 29.—Robert Little, tyler of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Manitoba, died here