

THE WATERFRONT

The Coquitlam Will Sail for the North This Evening and the Corona to Alaskan Ports.

The Olympia Will Sail To-Morrow for the Orient—Other News of the Ships.

From Friday's Daily.

When the Dominion steamer Quadra was at Juneau on her way downward from Skagway, Capt. Keefe, mate of the sealing schooner Annie C. Moore, which was burned in Lynn canal some time ago, went to Capt. Walbran and asked for a passage to Victoria. This was refused by Capt. Walbran, who says that Capt. Keefe was not to be considered as a shipwrecked sailor, he having remained at Juneau to look for work when the steamer City of Topeka. Capt. Walbran also says that Keefe had money given him by Capt. Hackett to pay his passage downward. Sealing men and other mariners are, to use a sporting term, "very sore" at the action of Capt. Walbran. They say that Keefe was destitute and unable to pay his passage, and as the government had no money to pay the fare of shipwrecked mariners back to their port, they cannot see why the Quadra refused to bring Keefe down. Capt. Gaudin, agent of marine, is also of the opinion that Keefe should have been brought down by the Quadra. He has received a bill from the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, owner of the City of Topeka, which vessel brought the captain and crew of the steamer City of Topeka, for their passage, and this will have to be paid by the marine department.

In the opinion of the C.P.N. Co., the route to Klondike will begin in February next, and on the 15th of that month the steamer Islander will start on her first trip to Wrangell, Juneau, Dyea and Skagway. The greatest number of passengers expected for this trip will be those bound to Skagway and Dyea, and intending to go in over the passes on the snow and down the frozen lakes and rivers, drawing their goods on sleds. The Steikkeen will start on her first trip before May next, so those going by the Steikkeen route on the first trip of the Islander will have to go up the Steikkeen on the ice and over the snow to the gold fields. The first trip of the river steamer will be made from Wrangell on May 15th, with which the Islander will connect. The first steamer sailing for St. Michaels will be the C.P.N. steamer Danube, which sails for that port from Victoria on June 14th. She will connect at the northern port with the river steamer which the carpenters taken up on the Danube on her last trip are now building. The Yukon will not be open for navigation before June 1st, so the new C.P.N. river steamer will be one of the first of the twenty river steamers on that river bound for Dawson.

The British ship City of Benares, Captain Baxter, was towed to sea this afternoon by the tug Czar. She left Steveston yesterday, and lay all morning off the outer wharf. The total cargo of the City of Benares, which is consigned to London, England, is 70,707 cases of salmon, valued at \$295,505. On her return from the Cape the tug Czar will proceed to Steveston to tow the Swedish ship Lady Lina, which has completed loading her salmon for England, to sea.

The steamer Corona, which is to take the place of the wrecked steamer Mexico on the northern route, will leave the outer wharf to-morrow evening on her initial trip to Wrangell, Dyea, Skagway and other Alaskan ports.

The City of Kingston brought over this morning 825 seal skins, the catch of the Seattle schooner Elbe, which are being shipped by the Hudson Bay Co. to their London house.

From Saturday's Daily.

The steamer Coquitlam, of the Union Steamship Company, arrived from Vancouver this morning to take on passengers and freight for her northern trip to Naino and Victoria. A number of passengers will go up on her from this port, and besides a quantity of general freight for the different northern ports she will have a deck load of lumber consigned to the Bishop of Chlocoina at Metlakahla. This lumber is to be used in the building of a new school house. During the winter the steamer Coquitlam will make two trips each month to the north, leaving Victoria on the 6th and 20th and Vancouver on the 8th and 22nd of each month. This arrangement, with the steamer Boscowitz making two trips per month, will give a service of four trips per month on the northern route, as the Boscowitz leaves on the 1st and 15th of each month.

The steamer Olympia, of the Northern Pacific line, will sail for the Orient to-morrow evening. She left Tacoma for

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair. Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair. DR. BROWN'S CREAM BAKING POWDER. A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Victoria this morning and will arrive at the outer wharf this evening. She has already a large outward cargo and will take on besides a quantity of general freight a large consignment of lumber which the Hastings Milling Company is sending to Japan. A few Alaskan passengers will embark here and a large number of celestials who are going home to be present at the New Year's festivities in the province of Canton. The custom house was crowded with them this morning, they being there to arrange for certificates entitling them to return. The steamer Columbia of this line is now on her way from Yokohama and Buise to arrive here on Saturday next.

The steamer Kadlak, the tender of the Alaska Packers' Association, passed down yesterday on her way to San Francisco after a heavy season's work, as the run this year has been a very good one. She called at Nanaimo for coal, the manager of the Karik cannery, Mr. S. B. Matthews, his son and two others debarked there and came down by train to Victoria. The Kadlak called at Sitka, Juneau and Wrangell on the way down, but brings no news from the gold lands.

The steamer Corona, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, will sail for Alaskan ports this evening. She will carry a large consignment of groceries and supplies for the Northwest Mounted Police from this port. Her passenger list will be a very small one.

The steamer Evangel, which for a week past has been on Turpel's ways being overhauled and repaired, is now again ready for service. She will resume her run from Victoria to Port Angeles to-morrow evening, leaving the inner harbor at 6 p.m.

STICKEEN ROUTE.

Provincial Government Will Spend \$50,000 on a Trail.

The provincial government, it is stated on excellent authority, intend to make a thoroughly good trail from Telegraph Creek to Teslin Lake, work upon which will be commenced as soon as possible, so as to have it ready for the rush that will take place as soon as the Steikkeen river is open to navigation in the spring. The gentleman who is authority for this statement says the government is prepared to spend \$50,000 upon the work, if necessary.

There are also endeavoring to find the best route for a railway across the Canadian territory. Mr. C. H. Wilkinson, C.E., and Mr. John Carthage have just returned from a trip from the head of Kitimat Arm to a point on the Skeena, about half way between the Skeena where they struck the river, which has been presented to the government, it is understood, states that there are no difficulties in the way of railway construction. From the point on the Skeena where they struck the river, the trail is known presents no obstacles, the only doubt as to the practicability of this route being in respect to the country between the headwaters of the Skeena and the Skeena. The reports show an open country, but those who have been over it state that it is very rough and some say it would be necessary to cross a mountain of perpetual snow. Mr. A. H. Humphrey went over the route of the Skeena, and Mr. Callbreath took a band of cattle over last year. Mr. Callbreath said he travelled on snow for some time and it was in July.

COAST-KOOTENAY.

Delegates From the Cities Interview the Government This Morning.

Norman McLean and J. J. Banfield of Vancouver, Richard Hall and J. T. Bethune of Victoria, representing the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway Company, waited on the provincial government this morning to ask that the subsidy of \$4,000 a mile voted at the last session of the legislature for a railway from the coast to Pentiction be given to their company. The government promised to take the request under consideration.

The representatives of the company were accompanied by delegates from Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Chilliwack. Victoria was represented by Mayor Redfern, Ald. McCausland, Buchanan and H. J. Vancouver by Mayor Templeton, Alds. Bethune and McQueen; New Westminster by Mayor Rhiles, Alds. Owens and Keary and G. E. Corbould, Q.C., of the board of trade, and Chilliwack by A. G. Wells, the representative.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Provincial Bye-Elections—The Wheat Crop.

Winnipeg, Nov. 5.—The provincial bye-elections in South Brandon and Turtle Mountain will be held on November 27, nominations occurring a week previous. The vacancies in these ridings were caused by the resignation of Mr. Graham, Liberal member for South Brandon, and by the death of Mr. John Hettie, Liberal, who represented the other constituency. The candidates in South Brandon are Thomas Nicol, Liberal, and James Johnston, Independent Conservative. The Liberals of Turtle Mountain has always been a close constituency, but the Liberals anticipate a walk-over in South Brandon, as in the past the riding has been strongly Liberal. From the best information obtainable it is calculated that 22,000,000 bushels of wheat have been marketed to date this fall by farmers of Manitoba and the Northwest. This shows that the 1896-7 crop has been placed in the hands of the wheat raisers of the Canadian West. The receipts at Port William were 5,345,000 bushels during September and October, and shipments during the same period were 4,385,000 bushels. The movement of wheat during the month to Port William was the largest in the history of the Canadian Pacific.

The hardware establishment of Campbell Brothers in the Christie block on Main street was badly gutted by fire at noon today. The loss will be about \$9,000, fully insured.

Alexander McIntyre, of Brandon, has been appointed inspector for the Northwestern division of Manitoba.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

In re Atlas Canning Co., a winding up matter, Mr. A. E. McPhillips yesterday afternoon moved to vary the order on appeal by making the costs of the appeal payable by respondents. The meaning of the words "good cause" in the Supreme Court Act of 1887 came in question and it was held that the effect of the act was simply to affirm the rules as to costs adopted by the court of appeal in England. The application was dismissed. A. E. McPhillips for appellants and L. P. Duff for the respondents. The full court before rising last night delivered judgments in C.P.R. Co. v. Parke and Carroll vs. C.P.R. in C.P.R. v. Justice, Drake holding that the defendant was not liable for injury caused to plaintiff's railway by reason of water used for irrigating percolating through the embankment, and in C.P.R. v. Justice, Drake, Q.C., for the appellants and L. G. McPhillips, Q.C., for the respondents. The defendants' appeal in Carroll v. C.P.R. Co. was struck out of the court's list on the day of the hearing. A. L. Helvey for plaintiff and E. P. Davis, Q.C., for defendants. The full court sat again. The following case was heard: Bridgman v. McKenzie. Appeal by the plaintiffs in a supreme court action from an order made by county court Judge Forin dismissing an action at the trial. The ground of the appeal being only a local judge of the supreme court. It was conceded that he had no jurisdiction, but the court held that although in the case of an order made without jurisdiction an appeal lay to the full court, still the plaintiffs might have applied in chambers to have the judgment set aside and the appeal was accordingly allowed with costs, such as would have been incurred in following the judgment of the judge, the chief justice dissenting on the ground that the full court had no jurisdiction to entertain an appeal from a void order. W. J. Taylor for the appellants and L. P. Duff contra.

Weller vs. Sharpe.—Appeal by defendant Sharpe from an order by Judge Forin made at Rossland enforcing a mechanic's lien. The validity of the lien was disputed on various grounds, the chief being that the affidavit of lien claimed a lump sum due for materials (for which the act gives no lien) and labor, without showing the amount due for labor alone. The county court judge refused to follow the judgment of Knott vs. Cline, decided by Mr. Justice Walker, in which it was held that such an affidavit was not sufficient under the act. The appeal was allowed, the Chief Justice dissenting. All the judges expressed the opinion that the county court judge should have followed the decision of Mr. Justice Walker in a similar case. L. P. Duff for appellant. Aldrich vs. Nest Egg.—County court appeal from an order of Judge Forin directing the plaintiff to pay the costs in default of appearance. When issued the summons was not stamped because there were no stamps in the registry (Rossland) at the time, but subsequent to the proceedings which the application was made under section 12 of the Stamp Act to stamp the summons, and the application was granted. The defendants complain that the subsequent stamping was not retrospective, and did not revive the proceedings which was already void. It was held that under the act the judge's order validly set the summons, and the appeal was dismissed. Gordon Hunter for appellants and L. P. Duff contra.

AFFAIRS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

Price of Fish Goes Up—General Election Returns.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 5.—All the returns for the general election are now in. The district of St. John's, the last to be heard from, has been won by Mr. Bradshaw, member of the opposition, by a majority of 265 over Mr. Parsons, editor of the Telegram, the government organ. This places Sir James Winter, leader of the opposition party, at the head of a following of 23 in the assembly, but any party in power will sign tend to make the new government still more popular with the industrial classes.

Articles from all the countries entitled to the benefits of the Reciprocal Tariff may be entered on the same invoice, and the origin of all the products entered on such invoice must be stated in a declaration, on the form prescribed by the names of the countries (if more than one) being written in succession in the blank spaces of the invoice. Importers claiming entry of goods under the Reciprocal Tariff are required to file with the collector a declaration of the origin of the goods, and a bill of lading, showing through transportation of the goods, and that there would through the United States and imported into Canada. The excess of duty paid on countries to which the Reciprocal Tariff applies will be refunded, if the claim therefor, with satisfactory proof of the origin of the goods, is made in the usual form through the collector of customs at the port where such duty was paid.

SCHEDULE "D." RECIPROCAL TARIFF.

"On and after the 23rd of April, 1897, until the 30th day of June, 1898, inclusive, the reduction shall in every case be one-eighth of the duty mentioned in Schedule A, and the duty to be levied, collected and paid shall be seven-eighths of the duty mentioned in Schedule A. "On and after the 1st day of July, 1897, the reduction shall in every case be one-fourth of the duty mentioned in Schedule A, and the duty to be levied, collected and paid shall be three-fourths of the duty mentioned in Schedule A. "Notwithstanding, however, that these reductions shall apply to the duties mentioned in articles, and that such articles shall in all cases be subject to the duties mentioned in Schedule A, viz: wines, malt liquors, spirits, spirituous liquors, liquid medicines and articles containing alcohol; sugar, molasses and syrups of all kinds, the products of the sugar cane or beet root; tobacco, cigars and cigarettes."

SCHEDULE "E."

List of countries entitled to the benefits of the Reciprocal Tariff, under the provisions of Section 17 of "The Customs Act, 1897" (Canada), and date of admission: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, 23rd April, 1897. New South Wales, 22nd May, 1897. British India, 24th September, 1897.

SCHEDULE "G."

List of countries from which, temporarily articles may be entered for duty, under authority of the Reciprocal Tariff, since the 23rd day of April, 1897, to the 31st day of July, 1898: Belgium, Germany, France, Algeria and the French Colonies, Argentina, Austria, Hungary, Bolivia, Colombia, Denmark, Czech Republic, Sweden and Norway, Tunis, Venezuela, Switzerland.

ONE HONEST MAN.

Dear Sir: I have been thinking of you for some time and I have been wondering how you are getting on. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write you. I hope you are well and happy. I have been thinking of you very much and I have been wondering how you are getting on. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write you. I hope you are well and happy.

MALE TEACHER WANTED.

Wanted—Industrious men of character. THE LINCOLN COMPANY, Toronto.

BETTER TIMES HERE.

Houses Filling Up and Rents and Property Advancing.

There is no better evidence of the return of the good times of a few years ago than the fact that the empty houses are fast filling up, rents are advancing and the value of property is steadily increasing. One real estate firm alone reports that they have rented 96 houses during the past couple of weeks, a very large majority being to new arrivals. Many men, from all parts of the country, who are going to the Klondike are bringing their families to Victoria to reside during their absence. There are now very few stores empty, and merchants who have short leases are making every effort to have them renewed, offering in some cases nearly double what they are now paying. The store at the northwest corner of Government and Johnson streets, which has been renting for a couple of years at a low price, has been let at \$75 a month, and there are many similar cases. Mr. W. J. Partridge, who has leased the Clarence Hotel property for ten years, has received several offers for his lease at a considerable advance, all of which he has declined. For the last few years just a nominal rent has been paid for the lot at the same with property. The lot at the corner of View and Broad streets, opposite the Dardar, which could have been bought a few weeks ago for \$7,000, is now held at \$13,000. The owners have refused \$10,000 for it, so it is said.

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS.

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DUNSMUIR AT NANAIMO.

Mr. Robins Will Sell the Land Required on an Anti-Chinese Condition.

Several days ago the Free Press alluded to the fact that Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons at the solicitation of many of our citizens, were considering the question of shipping the coal of the E. & N. Extension mine from Nanaimo harbor, provided that the right-of-way could be readily obtained, permission given for the erection of suitable wharves, and a sufficiency of water to enable the loading of large ocean-going colliers. The matter was taken up by a number of our citizens who have had several meetings and deputations; therefrom have interviewed Mr. James Dunsmuir on the subject. As a result of these interviews, Mr. Dunsmuir has accordingly made an outline in the Free Press a few days ago, to run a branch line from the E. & N. railway to a point in Nanaimo harbor, provided that the right-of-way could be readily obtained, permission given for the erection of suitable wharves, and a sufficiency of water to enable the loading of large ocean-going colliers. The matter was taken up by a number of our citizens who have had several meetings and deputations; therefrom have interviewed Mr. James Dunsmuir on the subject. As a result of these interviews, Mr. Dunsmuir has accordingly made an outline in the Free Press a few days ago, to run a branch line from the E. & N. railway to a point in Nanaimo harbor, provided that the right-of-way could be readily obtained, permission given for the erection of suitable wharves, and a sufficiency of water to enable the loading of large ocean-going colliers.

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