

Local News.

CLEANINGS OF CITY AND MOVING IN VICTORIA CONDENSED FORM.

(From Friday's Daily.) In yesterday's government Gazette tenders are called for the erection of a school house at Mount Sicker.

Richard Williams, the lad who was accidentally shot by his grandfather at Stanich recently is progressing very well at the hospital, and is now out of danger.

The Hinton Electric Company sold a two-horse power gasoline motorcycle yesterday, this being the first machine of its kind to be brought here. The cycle is capable of going 40 miles an hour.

The funeral of the late Peter Overman took place this morning at 10 o'clock from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral & Furnishing Company, and later at Ross Bay cemetery, where services were conducted by Rev. Canon Padon.

The appointment of W. H. Ellis as immigration officer for the province under the provisions of the British Columbia Act, 1902, is gazetted.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Williams, at Berkeley, Cal., where she has for some time been residing with Mrs. Farlong, her daughter.

The bakery and residence of C. Doelle at Extension was totally destroyed by fire early on Wednesday morning.

The by-law providing for the purchase of a site for the Carnegie library having been defeated, the choice of one of the few available sites in the possession of the city will probably come up for discussion at the next meeting of the city council.

A court-martial was recently held on the "Phantasm" in Esquimalt for an ordinary seaman named Edward Coward, belonging to the Grafton, who was charged with stealing articles from an officer's cabin, and having in his possession property belonging to other men.

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Two more sealing schooners, which have been unsuccessful in securing Indian-sews on the West Coast arrived home on Sunday.

At the manse, on the 2nd inst., Rev. Dr. Campbell united in marriage James Donald Morrison, of Glengarry, Ontario, and Nellie Thirkettle, of Seattle.

Henry F. Pullen, of Cumberland, is at the Dominion hotel. Mr. Pullen is editor of the new magazine published by the British Pacific Publishing Company, and is paying a business visit to Victoria.

At Bradalbane, on the 19th of June, Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Patrick James Moran and Alice E. Kitchin, the former of California, and the latter of Seattle.

The Mayor has postponed the public meeting called for the purpose of organizing a fire show until Thursday evening in the city hall at 8 o'clock, as no one consented with the garden party of the King's Daughters on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

The United States lighthouse tender is lying in the bay. She is on her way north on her annual lighthouse tour.

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THE CURFEW BELL WILL RING TO-NIGHT

CHILDREN MUST BE HOME BY 10 O'CLOCK

By-Law Recently Passed by City Council Takes Effect To-Day - Penalties Provided.

(From Saturday's Daily.) When the solemn tones of the big bell in the tower of the city hall ring out across the city to-night at 10 o'clock, citizens need not make for the fire department to see the brigade come out. It will be a long time, at least, we hope, before the warning will be for the youngsters to get home, as fast as they can, out of reach of the Bogie Man—in the guise of the police constable.

Detected by the council, at the instigation of Ald. Williams, seeing that some parents are not strict enough with their juvenile offspring and allow same to be brought down when they ought to be in bed, recently passed the following by-law, which provides for the curfew of children under the age of 14 who may be caught on the streets after the hour of 10 p.m., during the summer months, or after 8 p.m., during the winter season.

The new hydraulic dredge, King Edward VII., which is to be employed in filling in the James Bay mud flats, arrived from the Fraser river about noon to-day, after a trip prolonged greatly by bad weather. Last night the dredge anchored at Plummer's Pass, and this morning came on from there, facing a strong head wind for the greater part of the way.

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The main pump is of the centrifugal type, 10 feet diameter, with 20-inch suction and discharge. It has a capacity of 15,000 gallons per minute, and is driven by a triple expansion engine of 600 indicated horse power. This is equivalent to 600 cubic yards of material per hour, or 6,000 cubic yards for 10 hours. As a cubic yard is equal to about a ton and a half, this means that the dredge can dig 9,000 tons of material per 10 hours from 40 feet deep and deliver it nearly a mile away.

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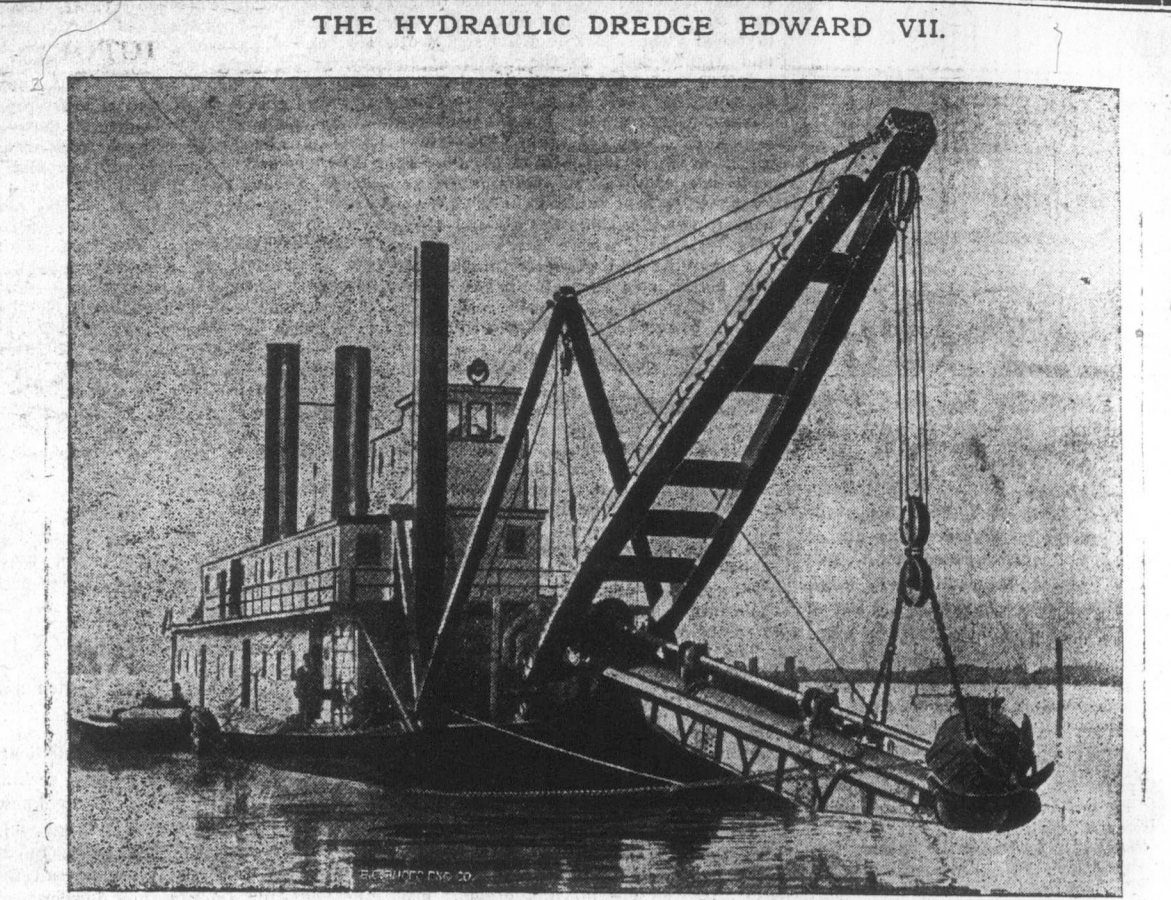
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The Tees called at Victoria, and all but three of her passengers who returned on Babcock, the provincial went north to inspect the wreck; R. Cunningham, skipper at Kitimat, and Laughton. As freight brought among other cases of the new season's fishing gear, the north was fishing within the last of the Skeena as many a boat has been caught said from two to three boats is the average catch. The boats were packed. The Alert had about 600 cases.

On the Skeena the m have been caught at the river; by stream, were taken. The steamer had up at the mouth of the run all season with success, and is now tied up in the river. The fishers navigation difficult.

Referring to the coronator Star, the little public Port Essington, to which had been stretched to the Port Essington, where there were many stores and establishments as far as the exigencies of the winter and the streets were pleasure-seekers. At night down the boat fencing and shacks close to the Pioneer saloon. It was solely due to their efforts in this direction that the west end of the town was saved. Between four and five o'clock in the morning someone made the remark that they had not seen Bastow. Then someone remembered him catching his dog and taking it to his room. No one had seen him during the fire, and considerable anxiety commenced to be felt. The Cosmopolitan was now a heap of smoking ruins. As soon as the heat had been somewhat decreased by the streams of water poured on, a party of four or five started in to search among the debris. 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