From Wednesday's Daily.

The Storm's Victims.

Crew of the Lost Libertad Await Transportation to Callao.

Victoria Ready for the Nome Rush--Steamer Tees From the North.

The crew of the wrecked Peruvian ship Libertad are still at the Queen's hotel, awaiting the arrival from Vancouver of the Peruvian consul, from whom they hope to secure assistance to return to Callao. "There we are known," said the cook, an old colored man, yesterday. "We lost everything we owned and even this suit of clothes I have on was given me. It would be useless for us to expect work in this city. We are all strangers here and I am sick; I could not work." There are eleven of the men, only one of whom, the cook, can speak English. They believe that the Libertad sank soon after they left her, for she was lying on her beam ends soon after they had started out for shore. The Libertad had been once a very staunch vessel, but was very old. She belonged to a wealthy Italian named Francesco Irena, living in Callao, who owns a number of vineyards in Peru and who exports a large amount of wines every year. Whether or not the Libertad or her cargo was insured the crew do not know. She was formerly under Chilian register and earlier in her career carried the French flag. The storm in which she sprang aleak, the cook, describes as the worst he had ever seen, and he did not much wonder at the vessel giving way. The night before they abandoned her the crew worked with desperation and were drenched to the skin by almost every sea. They could cook nothing and could get no warmth, but their lot was not much worse than that of the crew of the Hera, previously described. The Hera was bound for Honolulu when wrecked and there had been some little insurance on her cargo but so far as known none on the vessel.

LOOKING TOWARD NOME.

Indications That the Alpha and Amur Will Take Many Passengers.

As time advances the number of inquiries from the East and elsewhere concerning transportation to the Cape Nome gold fields from Victoria in the spring multiplies daily. That the steamers Alpha and Amur will have all the passengers they can accommodate on their first trips seems now almost certain, and they are large vessels capable, when the alterations at present in progress have been completed, of carrying between them five hundred or six hundred passengers at least. These steamers are the only ones of the Victoria fleet which have as yet been announced for the Nome service, but should there be call for others, the C. P. N. Company will be in a position to put a fleet of first class vessels in the business. The Alpha, according to present plans, will be the first to sail. Already a purser and agent has been appointed for her in the person of Mr. A. W. Shoop, while Captain Otto Buckholtz, who had charge of her recently completed trip to Nome, will, it is expected, be in command. Traffic northward so dull lately because of the winter setting in, is expected to improve after Christmas when the trails to Dawson and Atlin can be relied upon.

RETURNS FROM THE NORTH.

The Tees Returns From Skagway With Few Passengers.

Shortly before 6 last evening the C. P. N. steamer Tees arrived from the North several days sooner than expected. She had in all thirteen passengers, only one of whom is recently out from Dawson, among the others were Mrs. Peele, wife of Collector Peele, at Bennett; J. W. Moore, until last year purser on the steamer Islander, who has lately been looking after his father's interests at Skagway, and one or two from Atlin. The complete list is as follows: Mrs. Shartes, Capt. Smith, P. Harrison, A. Giffin, A. McDonald, W. A. Muller, J. T. Edwards, E. C. Muskett, J. U. Moore, C. Schaefers, H. P. Pearce, I. Russell and Mrs. Peele. The Tees left Skagway last Thursday, and on her return had a very rough time crossing the Gulf. She loaded 6,000 cases at the Northern British Columbia canneries en route, with which she proceeded to Steveston at 1 o'clock this morning.

Among the latest Northern news reported is the announcement at Juneau of a contract for the building of a dock 60x300 feet for the railway. The contract was let by the Granite Wharf Company to Alex. Ross & Co., and provides for 1,500 feet of rock work, all for $25,000, to be paid for in monthly instalments of $5,000. Another contract calls for 50,000 hemlock ties. According to late news from Dawson, the famous Discovery claim, one of the richest in the American Eldorado, on Porcupine creek, has changed hands. Six hundred bright and shining $20 gold pieces were paid over for a one-half interest, which gives the Porcupine Trading Company control of the claim.

VICTORIAN GETS CONTRACT.

In order to improve their shipping facilities and thereby reduce the cost of marketing their ore, the management of the Lenora mine at Mount Sicker have let a contract to John Haggerty of this city for the construction of a horse tramway from the mine to the railway, a distance of about four miles. The contractor is now engaging men to prosecute construction work, and it is expected that the tramway will be in operation within five or six weeks, when shipments will be increased to at least forty tons per diem.

The men of the Lenora are still working continuously, getting out ore and doing development work, but are stoping no ore. In a new upraise and cross-cut at the top, they have got a ten-foot body of ore which they are not yet through; while there is 250 tons of ore at the mine, ready for shipment, and 20 tons a day is being taken out of the mine. At Oyster Bay a lot of 400 tons is awaiting shipment, and the company not only hope but expect to get out 4,000 tons prior to the 1st of May, this amount and more being now in sight.

The men of the Lenora have recently cross-cut the vein at the 200 foot level; while the workers on the adjoining property, the Tyee, on the same vein, have got their ore at the 160 and 200 foot levels.

LOCAL NEWS.

Lake School Question.—A correspondent from the district concerned writes that in consequence of an interview between a local deputation and the provincial authorities, a further inquiry into the facts of the Lake school trouble will be made by the minister of education.

Will Build in the Spring.—It is anticipated that the arrangements of the Congregationalists looking to the erection of a new church home at the corner of Pandora street and Cook will have been sufficiently advanced to permit of building being undertaken in the early spring. At present the preparations in this direction are at a standstill.

The Sidewalk Is No More.—Residents of West Victoria are happy, to a moderate extent. The objectionable sidewalk across Craigflower road has been removed by order of the city, and the interested residents accept this as a good omen that the rest of their petitions will be granted later on. Indeed, the light on the reservation is already promised—when funds permit—and the incoming council has been asked to do what it can in the matter of a fire hall.

Death of Mr. Peter.—The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Henry Thomas Peter, at the advanced age of 75 years. The deceased had been farming in Lake district until failing health compelled him to retire and live with his son-in-law, Mr. Hamilton, at whose home his death took place. He leaves two sons and some daughters to mourn his loss. He will be buried by the side of his wife in the pretty little cemetery, attached to St. Luke's church, Cedar Hill, on Thursday afternoon.

Provincial License Commission.—The semi-annual meeting of the district license board is set for the 15th instant, at which date all holders of provincial licenses are required to make fresh applications for license privileges, opening their premises to inspection and producing proof that their applications have been duly advertised. The new system, with its numerous complications, is far from approved by the licensees, who regard it as a monumental illustration of red-tapism.

Death of a Popular Commander.—The many patrons of the Bennett Lake & Klondike Navigation Company's steamers Ora and Flora will learn with regret of the death of Capt. O. S. Waud, who was master of the steamer Ora during the past season. Word has been received of the captain's death at Dawson on Thursday, November 16. In Capt. Waud the company loses one of the brightest of the Yukon pilots and a man esteemed far and near as a navigator, and personally popular with all.

Christmas Examinations.—Although the city public school authorities have availed themselves of the privilege contained in the regulations, and decided to hold promotion examinations annually hereafter, in mid-summer, instead of semi-annually, there will be the usual public examinations for admission to the High school, these being conducted under the auspices of the education department. What few class promotions are made in the various schools will be without the formality of examinations by the respective principals.

The Rival Railway Schemes.—The city assessor having reported the law thoroughly complied with in respect to the requisite signatures to the petition for submission of a by-law on the Chilliwack railway scheme, such a by-law is now in course of preparation, and will probably be presented to the council for first reading at the regular meeting on Monday evening next. The notice stands in the name of Alderman Beckwith, but is approved by the special committee having the subject in hand. The Angeles ferry project also stands in abeyance, pending the return of President Cushing and his associates from Boston, on Sunday next. Before the by-laws, or either of them, are offered to the rate-payers, it is highly probable that other propositions will be presented, looking to a fast steamer service to Vancouver, Puget sound and Northern ports, and for railways to the northern end of the Island and to the West Coast.

Friendly Help Work.—The Friendly Help Society received the following reports yesterday morning at their regular monthly meeting: Thirty-two persons received assistance during the month, fifteen of whom had groceries, six fuel, four milk and the remainder clothing. The donations, which are thankfully acknowledged by the society, were as follows: Cash, Mr. Chas. Kent, Mrs. Chas. Kent and the city; clothing, Mr. Frank Bennet, Mr. Forrest Angus, Mrs. H. J. Scott, Mrs. Hy. Saunders, Mrs. John Irving, Mrs. Archer Martin, Mrs. D. W. Higgins, Mrs. Stadthagen, Mr. E. A. Carleton; Mrs. Stevenson, child's cot; Mrs. Gill, hats; Mr. Campbell (Craigsend farm), cabbages; Mr. P. Solly, boots; Mr. H. G. Ross, furniture and clothing. The arranging of Christmas work was discussed yesterday and a committee appointed. Members and friends are reminded of the usual custom of each donating some new articles of clothing for those in poorer circumstances than themselves at the Christmas tide.

Will Increase the Salary.—The board of police commissioners held a special session yesterday morning, to which the press were not invited, and of which the press had no notification, at which it was decided to reconsider the question of salary attached to the office of Chief of Police, and fix the stipend at $125 per month, instead of $100. The advertisement inviting applicants for the vacant position was ordered to be amended in accordance with the changed conditions, and the only other business brought forward, according to the statements of those who were present, was in the form of a report from Chief Sheppard. It is not thought that the augmentation of the salary will be taken as sufficient cause for the withdrawal of their applications by any of the prospective occupants of the office. The names of Sergeant Langley, Provincial Constable Murray and ex-Alderman John Macmillan are as yet the ones most frequently mentioned in connection with the vacant position, although the name of Mr. W. P. Winsby is also mentioned.

Gone to the Asylum.—Solomon Martens, the seafaring man who several weeks ago received serious injuries by descending hurriedly from the upper window of the Telegraph hotel, to be picked up, unconscious, on the sidewalk hours later, has been sent to the insane asylum at New Westminster, on a certificate signed by Drs. Fraser and Gibbs. An operation in trepanning had been performed some short time before by his attending physician, and Martens appeared to be making very satisfactory progress toward recovery. Then Dr. Hasell, superintendent of the Jubilee hospital, discovered that he was a dangerous patient and sent him to the police station. Dr. Hall, who had been attending the sufferer from the first, was asked to sign the asylum committal order, and declined, intimating that he regarded the man as a subject for hospital, not asylum, treatment, and that he could not by any stretch of conscience regard him as a lunatic. It will be interesting to note what changes takes place now that the unfortunate man is classed among the inmates of the asylum.

Harbor Survey Commenced.—The preliminary survey of Victoria harbor considered necessary by the civic committee investigating the Sorby scheme, commenced yesterday under the superintendence of Mr. C. C. Worsfold, of the Dominion public works department, New Westminster. The present work of sounding and surveying is for the purpose of fixing the exact depth of the harbor at various points and the amount of recently deposited silt.

No Special Significance.—H. M. S. Warspite, Rear Admiral Beaumont's flagship on the North Pacific squadron, accompanied by the cruisers Phaeton, Icarus and Pheasant, left for southern waters yesterday. No special significance attaches to the departure of the fleet at this time, it being stated that the main object of the voyage is to permit of fleet manoeuvers being engaged in. The Leander and the Egeria are the only warships remaining at Esquimalt. The former is in the dry dock and the latter at the naval wharf. The flagship and her consorts are expected to be absent from Esquimalt for a period of five months.

Yorkshiremen Organize.—A meeting of Yorkshiremen in this city was held last evening at Christ Church rectory, when it was decided to organize a county society. The association is to be known as the Yorkshire Society of British Columbia, and its objects are the promotion of unity and good fellowship among the Yorkshiremen resident in this province. The society is to be strictly non-sectarian and non-political. All British Columbia residents born in Yorkshire or of Yorkshire parentage will be eligible for membership. The society is to be inaugurated with a banquet on or about January 25, at which only members of and society and invited guests will be in attendance. Rev. Canon Beanlands was appointed chairman and Mr. Herbert Cuthbert secretary. There were also present Lt.-Col. Prior, M.P., B. J. Oddy, W. T. Hardaker, J. E. Martin, W. P. Winsby and others, while several gentlemen sent their regrets, being unable to attend. Slips containing applications for membership, setting forth the birthplace and names of parents, will be issued so that as accurate a record of all Yorkshiremen will be kept by the society. It is hoped that all Yorkshiremen in the city will apply to any of the above named gentlemen as speedily as possible so that arrangements for the banquet may be perfected as early as possible.

Association Football.

Both Vancouver and the Royal Artillery Enter Teams for the Championship.

Mr. Parker Takes All the Prizes in the Farmers' Cup Race --Deer Hunting.

The British Columbia Football Association have met and received entries from Victoria, Vancouver, Wellington and the Royal Artillery teams, Victoria drawing against the Royal Artillery and Vancouver against Wellington. Both have to play to games before January 20, 1900, when the winners will play off on home and home games, which will without doubt show some of the finest association football seen in British Columbia for some time. It is the first time entries have been received from Vancouver and the Royal Artillery. Of Vancouver little is known by the home team, although it is reported that they have a strong combination. Of the Royal Artillery it need only be said that they held Victoria down to one goal on Saturday last at Beacon hill. Wellington also intends making a strong bid to retain the cup, which they hold from last year. Victoria will place a team in the field which will well uphold the fame of the city in the league. Last season Victoria defeated Wellington at the Caledonia ground, but on having to go to Wellington on one occasion they had to default, and on another went with only six men, on account of the players being unable to leave work for half a day. If employers would only have a little leniency with the players in their employ this season Victoria will land the cup, which they lost four years ago.

THE TURF.

The Farmers' Race.

After carefully considering the many fine points of race conditions and their interpretations that were involved, the judges at the recent meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club have handed down their decision on the "Farmer's Cup" race, disallowing the McKeown horse that led the string home, and giving the race to "Johnny," owned by Mr. T. Parker of Rocky Point, the same gentleman's "Joe" being placed second. The race was for horses bred in British Columbia and "owned in the district." On the score of breeding the first horse home was classed ineligible, while there was a point at issue as to whether the Parker horses finishing first and second respectively, could be counted as owned in the district—the fact being that they came from Metchosin.

THE GUN.

Dogs Not Allowed.

Deer hunting on Saanich mountain and in other wooded parts of the nearby peninsula has resulted very favorably to the hunters during the past few weeks, each day sees some of the city sports take to the hills with gun and dog. Quite a number of residents appear to be labouring under the misapprehension that running the deer with dogs is allowable—in this part of the country at all events, and have used the dogs under the erroneous impression that this was quite in accord with the law. Lest they should invite trouble by repetition of the experiment, it may be mentioned that the running of deer with dogs is distinctly and positively forbidden in all parts of the province—and that no special exemption could be or has been made for Saanich district.

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Ald. Hayward For Mayor.

James Bay Representative Announces His Candidature for the Higher Office.

Mayor Redfern Not Seeking Re-Election—The Aldermen Again in the Field.

Alderman Charles Hayward will be a candidate for the office of mayor at the approaching elections, while Mayor Redfern has expressed himself as averse to seeking re-election. The majority of the aldermen now holding office will again come before the people.

Such, in brief, is the situation as far as could be ascertained by a Colonist representative, who yesterday interviewed the mayor and aldermen.

Alderman Hayward was first visited. The reporter mentioned that it had been a matter of common gossip for months past that he would offer himself as a candidate for the mayoralty at the next elections, and asked if such was his intention.

"Yes," said Ald. Hayward, "at the persistent solicitation of influential ratepayers, I intend doing so. I have not arrived at this decision hastily. I believe that Victoria has reached a critical period in her history—a period which demands the inauguration of a moderately progressive policy, and possessing very large interests in the city, and having for a number of years past been more or less prominently identified with local public bodies, I believe I may be able, if entrusted with the confidence of the people, to aid in the advancement of the city's welfare. I have, therefore, as I said before, after due deliberation, and upon receiving assurance of support from a great number of influential citizens, determined to offer myself as a candidate for the position of mayor in 1900."

Catching Mayor Redfern at a moment of leisure in his Government street business establishment, the question "Will you again be a candidate for the mayoralty?" was asked to His Worship. Mayor Redfern said he had not as yet given the matter much consideration. He had held the position for the past three years and felt inclined to retire in favor of some one else. Personally he was averse to again offering himself as a candidate. Certainly there were many civic projects in the success of which he was keenly interested—certain of which he had seen pushed forward quite satisfactorily during his tenure of office—and he would reluctantly abandon the idea of aiding in their consummation, but he had occupied the mayoralty for three years in succession and would willing make way for some one else. Yes; the Colonist might announce that he would not at the next contest be again in the field.

In the event of Mayor Redfern maintaining his present attitude, there is little doubt about the election of Ald. Hayward, if one may judge from how "the man in the street" views the situation. But of course it is by no means certain that Mayor Redfern may not be induced to reconsider his decision.

Ald. Hayward's candidature is looked upon with marked favor. He has long been prominent in civic matters, and the fact that he has large interests in the city and is known to be possessed of progressive ideas will do much to popularise his candidature.

Those who were spoken to in regard to Mayor Redfern's proposed retirement all agreed that the city would thus lose the services of a faithful and competent chief magistrate, while admitting the wisdom of the Mayor's contention that three years' consecutive tenure of office is sufficient justification for a desire to be relieved of the responsibility.

Nearly all of the aldermen will seek re-election. Ald. MacGregor was the first one met by the Colonist representative, and without hesitation he stated that he would run. He had no particular reasons to offer as to why he had arrived at that determination.

A duo of "city fathers" was next accosted on Government street—Aldermen Humphrey and Kinsman. They were both of the same mind as Ald. McGregor—they would again run.

Ald. Brydon has not yet given the matter "due consideration."

Ald. Cameron has not yet made up his mind.

Ald. Stewart will again be a candidate in Centre ward.

Ald. Beckwith is out of town.

Ald. Williams has finally made up his mind not to be a candidate for the office of mayor, but will offer himself for re-election as alderman.

Ex-Ald. John Hall, who keeps pretty well posted on the ways things are going on "over James Bay way," and who is looked upon as a possible candidate at the approaching elections for that ward, has not yet made up his mind on the subject.

An interesting feature of the approaching local municipal contest is the expressed determination of the electors of Victoria West to take an active part in the election of the representatives for all wards. The grievances which the residents of Victoria West have against existing conditions are manifold, and it is more than likely that that populous district will have in the field candidates of its own selection, impressed with the needs and requirements of that section. In that event the contest in North ward is likely to be more than usually interesting.

BELIEF IN DREAMS.

One Man's Story Had Sequel Seldom Heard in Similar Tales.

"Do you believe in dreams?" said a man about town. "Of course, nobody likes to admit it, but I have just had an experience that makes me chary about scoffing at such faith. One night about a week ago I had a vivid dream, in which I found myself on a familiar corner in the heart of the city. A street car was about to pass, and, after hesitating, as one sometimes will, I had a sudden impulse and darted forward. I would have had time enough to get across in safety, but I caught my toe on the near rail and fell sprawling on my face right in front of the car. Oh, the horror of that moment! I heard the motorman ring his gong like mad; I saw a confused movement in the crowd, and then something bore me down with the weight of mountains. I knew I was being crushed under the wheels, but I felt no pain, and the ghastly thought flashed to my mind that my head had been cut off. It seems grotesque to tell, but I awoke bathed in sweat, in a spasm of mortal terror. That hideous dream was repeated three nights in succession, and now let me tell you the sequel. This morning I was hurrying up Canal street, and foolishly started to pass a car just as the conductor rang his bell. As I did so I suddenly remembered an old garbage barrel with some planks leaning against it that stood on the curb, and the discovery startled me so terribly that I lost my balance, caught my foot on the rail, and fell headlong right across the track just as the car started. I was so close that I struck against the edge of the steps as I went down." Well, what happened?" exclaimed a breathless listener. "Nothing," replied the narrator. "The car was going the other way."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A TROUBLESOME FIRE.

Does Damage to the Extent of $500 and Illustrates Weakness of the Alarm System.

As vexatious a small fire as any that the department under Chief Deasy has been called upon to deal with in many months destroyed the seed-drying kiln of Mr. P. T. Johnston in the early hours of yesterday morning, and damaged an adjoining house occupied by Mr. Johnston's four sons, to the extent of perhaps $150. In one respect the blaze may perhaps be classed as not an unmixed evil, for it illustrated the unreliable condition of the alarm service and the necessity of its immediate repair.

The fire was reported by telephone to headquarters, and the station box, No. 27, was immediately pulled. Crossed wires or some other complication prevented a proper alarm, however, the big tower bell instead of repeating "27" four times, merely sounding the "2," and only one stroke being given by the gong at one of the other houses.

Of course the men of No. 2 station, on upper Yates street, were first on the scene of danger, and had hose laid when the apparatus from the city arrived after a smart turnout and a fast run. The burning building was a thousand feet from any hydrant, however, and this being too long a "lay" for the district supply of hose they could do nothing.

When water was brought to the fire it was found that the pressure was utterly insufficient until word was sent to the pumping station for more water. Then the suffocating smoke presented a new obstacle to the suppression of the blaze. The fire had not been cold to the ceiling and shot out of the roof and defied the nozzle men. Ultimately a few boards were ripped from the ceiling, and the firemen were able to do effective work.

The fire had originated in a small frame building between St. Charles street and Pemberton road, used by Mr. Johnston as a seed-drying house, and occupied by several Chinamen. As these gentry had taken care to remove their personal effects before sounding any alarm, the fire secured considerable headway before any whites were aware of its existence. Mr. Johnston's four sons responded to the alarm from the adjoining building which they occupy, just in time to see it also take fire. The frame structure in which the blaze originated, valued perhaps at $200, was consumed, together with $150 worth of seeds and fertilizers; the second building was damaged to the extent of perhaps 150—fully covered by insurance policy of $500. Although the sparks blew badly, the blaze was prevented from spreading to any of the adjoining residences.

The failure of the alarm system to work properly cannot be said to have taken the authorities by surprise entirely. False alarms through crossed wires had been of frequent occurrence since the commencement of the recent high winds; and the city electrician, who has charge of the system, had intended going over it thoroughly, and testing all boxes. This is a measure of protection that in many cities is of frequent occurrence. It is suggested for the fire wardens' consideration whether one man in the department should not be given charge of the alarm system, and locate and deal with crossed wires the moment a cross is known to occur.

NIGHT ON THE VELDT.

Sights and Sounds That "Tommy" Will See and Hear.

There is absolutely nothing on earth more beautiful and solemnly impressive than the starlight serenity of a South African night. The sky is cloudless, the air is fresh and cool, the silence is full of busy hummings of insects and suggestions of life on all sides. And yet there is the sense of complete isolation, of a certain aloofness from mundane things, which is awesome and inspiring.

The veldt rolls out its great waves of short stubble from horizon to horizon, broken here and there by sugarloaf-shaped ant-heaps and a sparse vegetation of zuikerbasch, or dwarf mimosa. The Southern Cross shines in the sky, and the Milky Way seems to have trebled its myriads of tiny scintillating constellations.

Anon a cicada cheeps with a shrill, high, vibrating note, which is repeated with the monotony of a tightly-strung tom-tom. A couple of nachtaapies, curious little beasts, part monkey, part mouse and part bat, drop from the zuikerbasch and dart through the thornbush. A meercat sits up in the starlight, its white-gray breast shining like silver. It looks around in an impudent way, and takes stock of the veldt and the human intruders. A springhaan, or locust, heralds a passing swarm of silent, ghostly, violet-winged spirits of the departed. A thousand soft sounds seem to heighten rather than break the stillness of the night.

Creeping along the side of the nearest ant-heap comes a curious uncanny insect, with a long neck and longer body, mis-shapen like a cricket bat, and very similar to it in color. This is a "Hottentot god," so called because the Hottentots are supposed to worship it. The little Boer boys often catch these funny insects and set them on to fight one another, which they are easily persuaded to do, with an amount of ferocity which is almost alarming in such little creatures.

From the distance comes the hoarse cry of a great paauw, or bustard, resembling that of a peacock, but less shrill. They are good shooting, and even better eating, partaking of the character of the turkey, to which, indeed, they are nearly allied. Another veldt bird which is game in every sense of the word is the knorrhaan, also spelt koran, something between a partridge and a wild duck. Its prefix "knorr" is said to be derived from the curious kind of rattling purr which it makes when it thinks itself in any danger.

The honey-bird is a well-known denizen of many parts of the Transvaal. It has the unique peculiarity that it does not fear men and women, but actually flies up to them, uttering a plaintive, low note and flying about their heads, tries to lead them on to the nearest clump of rocks or kopje. The bird knows full well that under a certain rock lies a store of honey concealed by the cunning bees, and rock honey being as much esteemed by birds as by human beings, the clever little fellow tries to induce a friendly being with two strong hands to push aside the rock, so that it may get to the honey.

If it succeeds in its object and the traveller on the veldt, attracted by the bird's flutterings to and fro between himself and the rocks, finds the honey, the bird changes its plaintive note to one of joy and pleasure, as much as to say, "Thank you very much."

Adjourned Until January.—The case of Tagg v. the Victoria-Yukon Trading and Transportation Company—adispute over wages—was given a hearing before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday and adjourned until January.

WESTMINSTER ELECTIONS.

New Westminster, Dec. 4.—(Special)—The civic nominations to-day promise a hot contest all round. There are four candidates for the mayoralty, Messrs. Ovens, Keary, Scott and Herring; five for the four vacancies on the school board, and eleven for the seven aldermanic seats. Greater interest is manifested than for years past.

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