

Return To Peking

Streets of the Capital Cleaned and Decorated For Return of Court.

Request That Foreign Troops Be Kept in Legation Bounds Today.

Foreign Diplomats and Families Have Places to See the Processions.

Pekin, Jan. 6.—The Chinese officials have requested the ministers of the powers to keep the legation guards within their quarters tomorrow in order to prevent the possibility of a collision between the Chinese and foreign troops.

The families of the foreign diplomats will occupy buildings which the Chinese government has tendered them for the purpose of viewing the parades in connection with the return of the court to Peking.

The foreigners are divided into two factions concerning the future relations of the diplomats with the court, one of them holding that in order to conform to the fulfillment of the most formal obligatory ceremonies, and the other holding that in order to conform to the wishes of the Chinese government.

Railroad traffic between Peking and Pao-Ting-fu, except on the court's return, has been suspended since the arrival of the court at Pao-Ting-fu.

WESTMINSTER ALDERMEN. Questions Over Disabilities of Mr. Van Stone—Speedy Trials.

New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 6.—(Special).—Public interest centered today in the inquiry into the disabilities of Mr. Van Stone.

Geo. Prosser, who pleaded guilty to receiving stolen property from the Hasbany, was remanded to await the result of an investigation into his previous character.

The preliminary hearing of three Japs held for the murder of the Jap at Port Moody on Christmas day.

TEACHERS IN SESSION. Mainland Institute Opens at Vancouver—H. Olsen Drowned.

Vancouver, Jan. 6.—(Special).—The Mainland Teachers' institute is in session, over 170 teachers were present at opening this morning.

The following officers were elected: President, D. Anderson; first vice-president, H. B. Miller; second vice-president, E. H. Murphy; recording secretary, S. C. Condit.

A man representing himself as Mr. C. James, M. E. L. of Australia, reached here December 29.

North Nanaimo Liberals Join in Protest Against Executive. Nanaimo, Jan. 6.—(Special).—North Nanaimo Liberals convened this afternoon at Wellington when Messrs. Fraser, Goudy and Murray were appointed delegates to the Vancouver convention.

CHARLES WILSON CHOSEN. Elected President of Vancouver Young Men's Conservative Club.

Vancouver, Jan. 4.—(Special).—Charles Wilson, K. has been elected vice-president of the Young Men's Liberal-Conservative club.

NELSON COLLECTIONS. Nelson, Jan. 3.—(Special).—Nelson customs collectors for December were \$182,903; inland revenue, \$2,718.

Dead and Missing

Loss of Life in the Walla Walla Disaster Placed at Forty-Two.

Bark Max, Which Was in Collision With Steamer Reaches Bay City.

Survivors Arrive at San Francisco and Tell Their Stories.

On Sunday evening a report reached Victoria to the effect that the French bark Max, which was in collision with the ill-fated Walla Walla, had passed Point Reyes, 33 miles north of San Francisco, in tow, and that she had signalled that she had 10 of the survivors of the San Francisco disaster on board.

The Vernon and Nelson Telephone company has raised all local rates for instruments and also long distance rates by about 20 per cent.

The Exclusion of Chinese

United States Pacific Coast Congressmen Have Prepared a Strong Measure.

Proposes to Make Barring Out More Effective Than at Present.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The senators and representatives of the Pacific Coast, who have been considering a bill for Chinese exclusion, have perfected a measure which will be introduced in both houses in a few days.

Passengers—J. L. Field, J. A. Gray, Charles Neff, Dr. Allen, Mrs. Allen, W. B. Moore, L. H. Hensel, L. H. Marsh, W. and Th. children, H. Erickson, W. J. Brown, D. Jones, G. F. Holmquist, San Juan and Manila, Ports of Call.

DEATH OF GEORGE NORRIS. Proprietor of the Nanaimo Free Press Succumbs After a Short Illness.

Nanaimo, Jan. 6.—George Norris, editor and proprietor for many years of the Nanaimo Free Press, died this afternoon after a short illness.

From Our Own Correspondent. Affecting Scenes Upon the Arrival of the Steamship Pomona.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Ninety-two of the rescued passengers, officers and crew of the ill-fated Walla Walla arrived here on the steamer Pomona Sunday morning from Eureka.

It was a prominent member of the Old Fellows and identified with many public institutions. He was a man of great respect for his memory, the city council adjourned. They will attend his funeral on Friday.

BANK FRAUDS. Hearing of the Charges in Liverpool Bank Case Continued.

London, Jan. 6.—When the hearing of the charges of fraud brought in connection with the recent robbery of the Bank of Liverpool was resumed at the Bow Street Police court today, associates of Lewis Marks and James Mansel, the alleged bookmakers testified to their sudden departure for the continent, and their subsequent movements in Paris.

London, Jan. 6.—The War office on the authority of Lord Kitchener has telegraphed from Pretoria, January 3, that two officers of the intelligence were shot.

Our First Consignment

UP-TO-DATE STYLES AT WELLES BROS.

Latest Novelties From PARIS, BERLIN, LONDON.

WELLES BROS. VICTORIA B. C.

Of Fall Goods in the Upholstering, Drapery and Certain line are now on sale, and we can only say that for color, artistic effect and value we have surpassed ourselves in these last purchases.

threatened to shoot them if they left the ship's side with the boat, but in spite of his orders and threats they pulled away and disappeared after Mrs. Edgar said.

Albert Meyerdenbauer, aged 15 years, whose home is in Seattle, displayed a courage that is not often found in children of his age.

SAVING THE BOAT. Capt. Benoit's Story. Says the Walla Walla Was Trying to Cross the Max's Bows.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—"All the signal light of the Max was brightly burning, and we could see the steamer for a long time before the collision.

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