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Stirring Up Strife

Continental Correspondents Are Making Capital Out of the Boer Visits.

Say That Kruger Will Abdicate His Position As Africander Chief.

And That Botha and Dewet Will Struggle for the Leadership.

London, Aug. 20.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at the Hague telegraphs he is informed that at the approaching meeting between General Botha and his colleagues and former President Kruger, the latter will formally abdicate his position as Afrikander chief and hand over the reins and the residue of funds to General Botha and General Dewet and Messrs. Fischer and Wolmarans, who were formerly Boer delegates. Mr. Wolmarans, according to the correspondent's information, will endeavor to dispossess Dr. Leyds, the European agent of the Boers of the power of signing checks. There are also rumors here, adds the correspondent of the Daily Mail of an impending struggle for supremacy between General Botha and General Dewet.

The Hague, Aug. 19.—The Boer generals attended the pro-Boer exhibition which is being held here. Responding to the welcome they received at the exhibition building, General Dewet, in a voice broken with emotion, said: "All those who organized this exhibition of art and industry have contributed to the growth of nations. We South Africans were on the road to development of art and industry, but our legs were cut from under us; consequently we need help and support to rise again. It is for that very purpose that we have come to Europe, and we are grateful for the honors shown, and the help given us by the Dutch."

U. S. APPROPRIATIONS.

Session Runs Close to Billion Dollar Mark.

Washington, Aug. 19.—The volume containing the statement of appropriations, new offices, etc., required by law to be prepared and published at the end of each session of congress, under the direction of the committees on appropriations of the Senate and House, has been completed for the first session of the fifty-seventh congress. A summary of the appropriations shows the grand total of $800,624,496.55. In addition to the specific appropriations made, contracts are authorized to be entered into for certain public works requiring future appropriations by Congress in the aggregate sum of $262,711,465. These contracts include $21,069,500 for additional ships for the navy and for permanent improvements of, and an increase of facilities at, certain navy yards. Total appropriations for the navy were $78,856,363.13, and for the army $91,730,113.41.

MURDERED HIS FAMILY.

Father Drowns Children and Commits Suicide.

Salina, Kas., Aug. 19.—Joseph Anderson, a farmer, drowned his four children in a cistern near here today and then committed suicide by shooting.

NEW ENGINES.

C. P. R. Places Orders For Many Locomotives.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—The C. P. R. has placed orders for 116 new engines. Of these 12 passenger and 44 freight will be ready in the autumn.

SIX YEARS FOR BOAT STEALING

Thief Given a Heavy Sentence—Legislators Traveling—Finneran Case.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Aug. 19.—John Burns, of Seattle, has been sentenced to six years' imprisonment for the theft of a boat belonging to the A. B. C. Packing company. The heavy sentence was imposed by Capt. Pittendrigh, S. M.

A landslide at Bow river has delayed the C. P. R. trains.

A party of M. P.'s arrived from Eastern Canada on a special car yesterday on a pleasure trip. Among them are Mr. G. M. Parmalee, M.P., Waterloo, Quebec; C. S. Hayman, M. P., London; M. K. Cowan, M. P., Essex, South Riding, Windsor, Ontario; and Mr. Leighton Gouldie McCarthy, M. P., Simcoe, North Riding, Toronto.

Mr. Edward H. Sands, of the News-Advertiser, was married on Monday in St. Thomas to Minna, daughter of G. Hawkins, of that city.

At the City council, by-laws to provide a public gymnasium for the youth of the city, and to arrange for the ringing of the Curfew bell to warn all under the age of 16 home after 9 o'clock in winter and 10 in summer, were advanced to the second reading. Owing to sectional feeling in the East End of the city it has been found impossible to present a by-law to the people for the English Bay lots in the West End for recreation purposes without including properties in the middle of the city, in Mount Pleasant and on Dunlevy avenue, at a cost of $125,000.

This cumbersome proposition has passed the council and will be submitted to the people. The hospital by-law has passed the committee stage.

The Colonist editorial on the Finneran case was timely, in view of the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury at the inquest held over the remains, which is that "a new and up-to-date hospital is an immediate need, as also a new city jail." The evidence was also a recital of what has already been published concerning the case. Finneran was suffering from delirium tremens, and was sent to the hospital. There being no suitable quarters for him, and was sent to Vancouver's dirty little jail, and died there. Vancouver's lockup, as well as the hospital, are a discredit to the city. Still the people voted down a by-law to provide funds to build a new jail.

COAL SITUATION.

Intimation That Trouble Will Soon Be Ended.

New York, Aug. 19—The presidents of the anthracite coal roads had their usual weekly conference here today. Before going to the meeting, Mr. Truesdale, president of the Lackawanna road, said: "There is no foundation in fact for the rumor that the anthracite coal operators will make concessions in order to end the strike. I think work will be resumed in time to produce plenty of coal for the fall demand. The operators are ready, as they always have been ready to adjust with their men any grievances that they may have, and they have never discriminated against any of them because they have belonged to the union. What the operators will not do, is to discuss their business affairs with outsiders."

UNHAPPY HAYTI.

Revolution Spreading Throughout the Republic.

Kingston, Jam., Aug. 19.—Advices received here today concerning affairs in Hayti, say the revolution has now extended to every part of the country, and that the situation is daily growing worse. It is said upon reliable authority that Petit Goave, which was destroyed by fire August 8, was fired by the followers of Calistheme Fouchard, an aspirant to the presidency of the Republic who are coming strongly into the field.

The blockade of Cape Haytien by the gunboat Crete-a-Pierrot, which is in the Firminist service, has been completely abandoned. Business has been suspended in nearly all the towns of Hayti.

Manœuvres of German Army

Head Quarters Suddenly Shifted From a Polish to a Prussian City.

Statue to Empress Frederick Unveiled at Hamburg Before Emperor.

Berlin, Aug. 19.—The headquarters of the approaching army manoeuvres have been abruptly changed from Posen, Prussian Poland, to Frankfort-on-the-Oder, province of Brandenburg, Prussia, Emperor William, the general staff, and the foreign guests will, therefore, lodge in a sympathetic Prussian city, instead of in an unfriendly Polish atmosphere. No official explanation is procurable as to the abandonment of the programme arranged months ago. Even so late as Sunday, the list of residences in Posen at which distinguished persons were to be quartered, was announced. The unofficial inference is that it would be more judicious to make a prolonged stay at Frankfort on the Oder than at Posen, because Polish political hostility might be aggravated, or an opportunity might be given for an unpleasant incident. It is not supposed, however, that the police have learned of a definite design to make trouble or insult the Emperor, who intends, regardless of the change of programme, to review the army corps in Posen, September 3, and then go to Frankfort on the Oder. Another view is that His Majesty will not so far honor Posen as to remain through the manoeuvres and thus give the embittered Poles a chance to profit by the visit of many strangers and troops.

The field of manoeuvres lies between Posen and Frankfort on the Oder, hence the latter is as convenient geographically as Posen, for the headquarters of the army.

Hamburg, Aug. 19.—A statue in honor of the late Empress Frederick was unveiled here today with considerable ceremony in the presence of the Emperor and Empress, the Crown Prince Frederick William and other members of the Royal family, and the ambassadors, also the civil and military authorities and deputations from regiments of which the late Empress was honorary colonel. After a speech by the Burgomaster, in which he eulogized the late Empress, the troops presented arms and the statue was unveiled. Emperor William then placed a wreath on the pedestal and made a speech depicting his mother as a steadfast promoter of art, scientific research and the advancement of women. He referred to her resolute spirit, which enabled her to triumph over the hardest trials and bear patiently a long period of keen suffering.

A choir then sang an anthem and cheers were given for Emperor William.

A number of other wreaths were deposited on the pedestal including one from Dowager Queen Margherita, of Italy, who was present at the ceremony.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

Premier Has Left Jersey and Is in Paris

Toronto, Aug. 19.—The Evening Telegram's special London cable says Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who left Jersey yesterday by steamer for St. Malo, arrived in Paris this afternoon.

R. W. Bro. Lindsay MacKersey, of Edinburgh, representative from the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada, to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, is dead.

THE SHAH

Has a Good Time at a London Music Hall.

London, Aug. 19.—The Shah of Persia, who reached London yesterday, is the guest of King Edward, and was entertained tonight at the Empire music hall. He went to the hall in a carriage, accompanied by the Prince of Wales and escorted by a detachment of the Household Cavalry. The Shah was received with cheers when he entered the building and he apparently enjoyed the ballet, the animated pictures and the other attractions offered.

Today the Shah gave a reception to the members of the cabinet and the foreign diplomats in London, and this afternoon took a long drive.

SCHWAB SPEAKS.

Says He Is Not Sick and Will Not Resign.

New York, Aug. 19.—Chas. M. Schwab the president of the United States Steel corporation arrived here early this morning. He stepped briskly from the car and as he did so he said to a number of newspaper men present: "Now gentlemen I am going to tell you three things, and I don't want you to ask me any further question. In the first place I don't look like a sick man, in the second place I feel the necessity of a rest and I am going to take one. In the third place, I am not going to resign and have no intention of retiring from the presidency of the United States Steel corporation."

Shipping To Africa

New Canadian Line Gives Better Freight Rates Than Foreign Steamers.

Ontario Government Will Be In Minority When North Grey Is Counted.

Soldiers of Last Canadian Contingent May Yet Receive Medals.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—(Special)—Rates to South Africa by the new line of Canadian ocean freight steamers will be five per cent. lower than via the New York route. The first steamer to sail will be the Ontarian. The Ogilvie Mills company will ship 10,000 bags of flour and the Lake of the Woods company will send a large consignment. Canadian apples and furniture will form part of the cargo.

A. N. C. Treadgold, of London, England, who secured the famous Treadgold concessions in the Yukon, against which an agitation was worked up some months ago, was in Montreal yesterday en route for Ottawa, where he goes to interview the government on business matters.

Toronto, Aug. 19.—(Special)—The Conservative party of Ontario has been called to meet in Toronto about the middle of September. The government will likely lose North Grey on a scrutiny which will place it in a minority by one.

John Fray and David Hawkins were fatally injured in a fall from a scaffold today.

Winnipeg, Aug. 19.—(Special)—J. W. Kastner, an old-time Manitoba hotel-keeper, is dead.

The British headmasters on tour in Canada were entertained today by the city.

Building permits issued this year in the city will aggregate $2,500,000, representing 1,000 contracts.

W. M. Newman tried to commit suicide by hanging himself to a beam in the barn on the farm of Richard Rudd, near Crandall, Man.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—The city clerk has received the following acknowledgment of a congratulatory message to the King on Coronation Day: "Please convey to the citizens of Ottawa the King's sincere thanks for their loyal congratulations and good wishes."

(Signed), CHAMBERLAIN.

Major Wood has been confirmed in his position as acting commissioner of the Yukon, by order-in-council.

Soldiers of the last Canadian contingents may yet get war medals. It is understood that a memorial will be presented to the Governor-General-in-Council to the effect that an order-in-council be passed asking the Imperial authorities to give the last four regiments medals. The new Canadian commander is much in favor of the idea.

Supt. Howe, who served in South Africa, has died at the N. W. M. P. barracks, MacLeod, Alta.

WIN AGAIN.

Chatham, Mass., Aug. 19.—The members of the American Canoe association again spent today in running off the official races of this season's meeting at Camp Nauset. The expected race between the Canadians of the Grand Trunk club, Montreal, and the Medford Canoe club, did not materialize. The club four paddles brought out the Winchester, Wabewawa, Medford and Grand Trunk crews. The conditions were good and the Grand Trunk club won by two lengths, with Medford second. Most of the Canadians left for home this afternoon. The board of governors today re-elected Robt. J. Wilkins, of New York, president, and Paul Butler, of Lowell, secretary and treasurer.

MORE SETTLERS FOR MALCOLM

Capilano Carries Colonists and Supplies to Island—Civic Work Day.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, B. C., Aug. 19.—Steamer Capilano called here today to take on coal and also to take additional colonists to Malcolm island. About 20 settlers left on the Capilano this evening. Besides a considerable quantity of supplies, the steamer has on board 11 milch cows and a pure bred short-horn bull. This will form the nucleus of stock for the island. Among the party which left are several women and a few children.

The difference between the miners and the management of the Wellington Colliery company at No. 1 Extension, are satisfactorily settled. It is reported here that the men went to work again drawing pillars at the rate of $3 a day. This is the figure Simpson and Bowater, who took a contract a week ago offered the men, which was refused. Work is now resumed, however, under the company, and not by contract.

The citizens will vote on August 30 to decide whether a system of eight hours on five days of the week, and six hours on Saturday shall constitute a day for corporation laborers or not. The Saturday mass-meeing will discuss the matter in the opera house. The City Council in discussing the matter barred reporters from the meeting, and finally decided upon this course.

WESTERN CROPS.

Mr. McNicoll Pleased With the Prospects.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—Vice-President and General Manager McNicoll of the C. P. R. reached Montreal tonight from his tour over the system. Mr. McNicoll speaks in glowing terms of conditions in the West and estimates the Manitoba crop yield at sixty million bushels.

THE POLICEMAN'S EVIDENCE.

Policeman Peter Morris, Toronto, says that for years he was troubled with habitual constipation, and though he spent much money for medicine, was only disappointed with the results. He now recommends Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to his friends because it cured him of his troublesome ailment. You can be cured of constipation by this treatment. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

AUXILIARY YACHT RACE.

Utowana Expected to Be the Winner.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Aug. 20.—The American auxiliary yacht Utowana (A. Armour, of New York) which was the first of the contestants for the Earl of Crawford's coronation cup to round the mark off Cherbourg, France, yesterday, passed Prawle Point on her return at 12:10 p.m. It is not expected that she will reach Cowes before morning, but she is regarded as a certain winner.

Cherbourg, France, Aug. 20.—The auxiliary schooner Czarina, Albert Brassey, M. P., was the second yacht to arrive here in the sailing race for the coronation cup, presented by the Earl of Crawford, which was started on Monday from the Nab lightship off the Isle of Wight, the course being to Cherbourg, and back. She passed the mark at 10:13 p.m. yesterday. Lord Crawford's Valhalla rounded the mark at 11:45 p.m. and the Sunbeam, Lord Brassey's rounded at 12:10 a.m. to-day.

STRUCK OIL.

Another Well Found Near Moncton, New Brunswick.

Moncton, N.B., Aug. 20.—Another oil well has been struck eight miles distant from the well previously shot, thus indicating the growth of the oil territory. The wells are about twelve miles from here.

STREET RAILWAY EARNINGS.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—The Montreal Street railway earnings for the ten months ending July 31 totaled $1,643,836.55, an increase of $110,630.48 over the same period last year. The operating expenses were $940,859.81 and net earnings $702,976.74.

Undesirable Immigraiion

Act to Prevent Such Persons Landing in Canada to Be Enforced.

Canada to Have a Building at Osaka Exhibition—Knights Templar.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Aug. 20.—Hon. Clifford Sifton has decided to take action with reference to the act of last session for restricting undesirable immigration. The act prohibits the landing in Canada absolutely of any immigrant or other passenger who is suffering from any loathsome, dangerous or infectious disease or malady, whether such immigrant or passenger intends to settle in Canada or only intends to pass through to some other country and whom the Minister of the Interior or officer to whom he entrusts the matter considers ought not to be allowed to land in Canada.

The Japanese government has decided to put up a special building for Canada at the Osaka exhibition. It will give 7,000 feet of floor space and the Dominion will pay $2,500 toward the cost.

Over 100 Knight Templars are here attending the annual meeting of the Sovereign Grand Priory. Reports of officers show the order to be in a flourishing condition.

COLOMBIAN WARFARE.

How Government Gunboat Developed Into a Rebel.

Panama, Aug. 20.—The former government gunboat Boyaca, which left here July 29 to carry 300 soldiers to Agua dulce and which was captured by the Colombian revolutionists, is now at sea flying the rebel flag. The rumors that the Boyaca had been sunk are therefore refuted. Before she left here Gen. Silaza, governor of Panama, ordered the commander of the Boyaca not to fire the guns on that vessel because he feared the bad condition of the Boyaca would endanger those on board if her guns were discharged. Revolutionary reports of the capture of the gunboat are that she fought two hours before being captured and it is believed in government circles that some accident to her machinery or rudder forced the commander of the Boyaca to accept unequal battle until further resistance was impossible. The Boyaca is a very old ship and her machinery and keel were in very bad condition. She was built in 1883 at Wilmington, Del., for the Colombian government. The hopes of the conservatives of Panama are now centred in the steamer which Senor Conoha, Colombian minister at Washington, is supposed to have bought recently at San Francisco. Should this vessel sail promptly for the Isthmus with good gunners on board it is believed by government officials that with reinforcements expected here from Barranquilla General Salazar need have no fear of an attack from the revolutionary forces under General Herrara. The steamer Panama reached port this morning from the South and her Captain reports having met the Boyaca flying the flag of the revolutionists off the island of Taboguilla, about fifteen miles from Panama.

FELL EXHAUSTED AND UNCONSCIOUS.

Mrs. R. W. Edwards, 33 McMurray St., Brantford, Ont., suffered for five years with nervous exhaustion, headache and dyspepsia. "The pains in the head would almost drive me crazy. I could not sleep nights, but would walk the floor in agony until I fell exhausted and unconscious. For the past nine months I have used Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and from a mere skeleton this medicine has built me up in flesh and weight until I am strong and well." It would be scarcely possible to produce stronger evidence of the wonderful power of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

ROMAN CATHOLIC STUDENTS.

Their Attendance at United States Colleges Discussed.

Rome, Aug. 19.—The church authorities have received information that 4,035 Roman Catholics are attending secular universities in the United States, 500 of whom are at the University of Pennsylvania, while the Catholic university at Washington has only 100 students. It is believed here that this discrepancy is due to the fact that the Catholic university at Washington undertook instruction in other branches of education in addition to theological studies, without having means, apparatus or professors to compete with the great United States colleges. The representative here of the Associated Press is authoritatively informed that the church knows no remedy for this lack of religious teaching of Catholic students attending secular universities in the United States except through the efforts of the bishops to induce the governing bodies of those universities to allow free teachers to lecture upon Christian history, sciency, religion, etc., as is done in the cases of other sects attending the same colleges.

Threaten To Elope

Gay Young Pair Only Seventy Years of Age Insist on Marrying.

Joseph Mathurin of Montmagny Cuts His Wife's Throat—Boy's Murder.

British Rifle Team at Montreal—To Challenge For Minto Cup.

Athabaskaville, Que., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Hypolite Bontin, aged 72 years, was married here yesterday to Miss Adeline Descharnais, aged 76. Their friends tried to dissuade them from taking the step but they threatened to elope.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—(Special.)— La Banque Franco-Canadian of Paris is applying to the federal parliament for incorporation of the B. C. Trust and Loan Co. with headquarters at Winnipeg. The capital is two million dollars.

Montmagny, Que., Aug. 20.—(Special)—Joseph Mathurin murdered his wife this morning by cutting her throat. He has surrendered to the police.

St. John, N.B., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Frank Higgins, aged 15, was sent up for trial on the charge of murdering one of his chums, Wm. Doherty, aged 16, on the outskirts of Rockwood Park, on the afternoon of August 1. The killing was the outcome of dime novel reading. The boys had formed a "gang" and Higgins, according to one of the witnesses, carried a six-shooter and had deliberately shot Dogherty twice and then clubbed him on the head with a revolver butt. The body was covered with stones to hide it.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—(Special.)— Hon. Joseph Royal, a former lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories, is in a critical condition.

Hon. Edward Blake, M. P., arrived on the steamer Lake Simcoe. The British team which will shoot for the Palma trophy also arrived.

Geo. H. Perley, the Ottawa lumberman, will be the Conservative candidate in Argenteuil, the seat made vacant by Dr. Christie's death.

Winnipeg, Aug. 20.—(Special.)— The Shamrock lacrosse team, champions of Manitoba, will challenge for the Minto cup.

Mrs. Bennett Smith, London, known as Annie E. Swan, the authoress, is in the city on her way to British Columbia.

Yesterday's delayed express from Vancouver reached here at nine o'clock tonight. Bow river washouts west of Calgary were the cause of the delay.

Rev. J. B. Silcox, Congregationalist, has declined a call to San Diego, Cal.

Several attempted burglaries are reported in the city. Among the places visited were the Keewatin lumber office, Waterloo Mfg. Co., Ford Stationery Co., Palace Clothing store, Heastley's, Miss Bains and Burns' store.

The Synod of the diocese of Rupert's Land opened this morning, Bishop Young presiding in the place of Archbishop Machray, primate of Canada, who is still ill in London.

SUDDEN DEATHS

Man Turns on Gas in Napanee Hotel—Crushed by Belt.

Napanee, Ont., Aug. 20.—W. Coffee, about 65 or 70 years of age, was found dead in his room at the Paisley House yesterday afternoon. It was clearly a case of suicide by gas, which had been turned on.

Quebec, Aug. 20.—A young man named Rouseau, 19 years of age, was killed in the Rock City Tobacco Company's building yesterday by being caught in belting and having been crushed to a jelly.

MINER KILLED AT CUMBERLAND

John Calverley Buried By a Fall of Roof in Cumberland Mine.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Aug. 20.—John Calverley, whose parents reside at Five Acre Lots, in this city, was killed this afternoon at No. 6 mine, Cumberland, by a fall of rock. He was about 20 years of age. Calverley was driving a mule in the mine when the car left the track and became entangled with a prop, which gave way and let a large quantity of the roof fell, burying Calverley. He was instantly killed. The body was afterwards recovered and brought to the surface.

The Board of Trade will urge the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to put a survey party in the field to deside the feasibility of the route between here and the West Coast. The board contends that the work should be immediately proceeded with, as a promise was given the delegation which waited on the government last session. The intention is to make a strong effort to have the line subsidized by the Dominion government this coming session.

SHAH'S VISIT.

Does Not Like to Travel by Fast Trains.

London, Aug. 20.—The Shah to-day insisted on such slow traveling by the train that the King was kept waiting for upwards of an hour. As soon as the train was sighted His Majesty landed from the royal yacht and proceeded to greet the Persian visitor. The meeting between the two rulers was most cordial. They heartily shook hands and then walked to the yacht chatting animatedly while the warships fired royal salutes. After lunching with King Edward and Queen Alexandra the Shah started on his return to London amidst the firing of a royal salute.

Prior to the Shah's departure, King Edward, Queen Alexandra, the Shah, Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria and Prince Arthur of Connaught were photographed in a group, the Queen and Princess wearing Persian orders evidently conferred on them by the Shah, while the latter was on board the royal yacht.

GRAND MASTER.

Baltimore Unity of Quebec Province Choose Head.

Quebec, Aug. 20.—C. E. Brodie, of Quebec, was last night elected Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. (Baltimore Unity) for this province.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Deaths Reported at a Thousand Weekly.

London, Aug. 20.—The Exchange Telegraph Company to-day publishes a despatch from Simla, British India, saying that the plague mortality is increasing at the rate of a thousand weekly.

PRESENTATION.

C. P. R. Official Well Liked by His Subordinates.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—Mr. J. H. Sheffield, former superintendent of the dining and sleeping car department of the Canadian Pacific, was to-day presented by the employees of the department with a magnificent loving cup in recognition of their regard and esteem.

STRIKE IN HAVANA

Longshoremen and Dock Laborers Have Stopped Work.

Havana, Aug. 20.—The longshoremen, lightermen of all classes and the dock laborers went out on strike to-day. They have several grievances, one being that coal should be unloaded per ton instead of by day wages. Efforts are being made by the union leaders to bring out the laborers at Cienfuegos and Cardenas.

Much Pleased With Slocan

A Prominent Mining Engineer Forms Favorable Opinion of District.

Says It Is the Most Important Dry Ore Belt Yet Found in America.

Wayne Choate, the eminent American mining engineer, who came in here a month ago with Norman D. Carpenter and other Detroit capitalists, wound up his investigations in the camp and departed Monday for San Francisco, says the Slocan Drill. The month's examination of the formation of the country, together with a close examination of the veins on a number of the leading properties in the camp, led Mr. Choate to materially alter his opinion of the dry ore belt, and, while not given to enthusiasm, he has become a warm admirer of the resources back of the city.

Mr. Choate made a careful inspection of the Sapphire and May groups, on Twelve-Mile, for his Detroit principals, and his reports thereon have been extremely favorable. His surprise at a recent exposure on the May was great, he stating that a vein exists there 135 feet in width, with one wall yet to be uncovered, and the full width carries values. Other claims were examined and the general appearance of the veins convinced Mr. Choate that the creek had great merit and would repay development.

Last week he spent four days in examining the Republic group, on Erin mountain. The several veins were traced out and mapped, the various openings noted, and samplings made of the vein matter at each point. On the Robinson creek side of the hill, a vertical depth of 800 feet was shown, or 1,000 feet on the dip of the vein. Pay ore is exposed in several places, all ready to open out. Samplings mbde on the Bell and Republic claims gave values fully equal to former representations. Mr. Choate stated his examinations revealed no broken formation, the galena vein on the American Eagle alone giving 1,000 feet of working ground without a fault. He characterized the Republic as one of the best things he had ever seen, and reported to the company that if they couldn't mine there, they couldn't mine anywhere.

Speaking generally of the camp, Mr. Choate said he considered the local dry ore belt as the foremost in America, and he would strongly recommend capital to invest here. On first coming in he was led to believe the veins were small and the values doubtful, but he had proven quite to the contrary. Those so-called parallel leads at frequent intervals were the pay chutes of mighty veins, which, in depth, would be found to spring from one body. There were series of these big veins or zones crossing right through, particularly in the vicinity of the Arlington. That mine he characterized as unequalled in richness and extent by anything in his experience. These big veins would in time give employment to thousands of men, while the tonnage of ore to be shipped would be enormous. The veins were easily worked and the ore admitted of a cheap and simple process of treatment.

As a site for profitable reduction works, Mr. Choate would recommend Slocan ahead of any place he knew of. The ore was here, the opportunity untouched, and the returns certain. From his remarks, one would judge that Mr. Choate contemplated a return visit to the camp, when something substantial is likely to eventuate.

BOERS IN HOLLAND.

Botha's Speech at Reception at The Hague.

The Hague, Aug. 19.—A public reception was accorded the Boer generals on their arrival here today from Rotterdam. Gen. Eyter, in a speech, paid a tribute to their heroic deeds. Gen. Botha replied, expressing the appreciation of the Boer officers at the warmth of their reception and referring to the consolation which it had been to them to know that, while they fought, their women and children were being supported by Dutch generosity. The time, he added, had not yet arrived to make public all they knew, but probably at no distant date they would publish their account of the war. The visitors were escorted in procession through the town in open carriages, and were everywhere loudly cheered by the crowds assembled. A number of Boers who served during the war formed a guard of honor for the generals.

The generals have required the members of pro-Boer associations to refrain from making anti-British speeches, which the Boer commander says may possibly impair the success of their mission to Great Britain. During the day the Boer generals visited ex-President Steyn.

Never is time more precious than when some member of the family is attacked by colic, dysentery or any bowel trouble. The doctor is distant but if Perry Davis' Painkiller is near all danger is soon ended.

Close On Saturday

Fishing Season on Fraser River Will End With Present Week.

Pack to Be Paid For at Rate of Eighteen Cents a Fish.

Preparing For Conservative Leader's Visit--Trouble Among Vancouver Police.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Aug. 20.—The canneries on the Fraser river are preparing to close on Saturday. This will mean 18 cent fish for the fishermen. The total pack from all sources is now 272,873 cases, and it is expected that before Saturday next it will reach 275,000 cases. There is but a small portion of the fleet out and they are catching from 15 to 20 to the boat. It is expected that the total catch for the four days intervening will amount to about 200,000 cases. In any event the pack will be between 274,000 and 275,000 cases. From this, however, must be deducted 40,000 cases purchased from the traps, which places the pack of fish caught in the Fraser river at 235,000 cases, the lowest pack for eight years. The next lowest Fraser river pack was in 1898, when 256,000 cases were put up.

This year the fishermen will be paid on a basis of 235,000 cases, which will mean that they will get 18 cents for their fish. If the pack had been 200,000 the price would have been 20 cents, but according to the scaling agreement from 200,000 to 250,000 called for 18 cents per fish. The pack for eight years on the Fraser river was as follows:

1895—400,368 cases.
1896—356,984 cases.
1897—860,459 cases.
1898—256,101 cases.
1899—510,385 cases.
1900—316,522 cases.
1901—990,252 cases.
1902—approximately 235,000 cases plus 40,000 cases purchased from the traps.

The United States revenue cutter Grant was in port yesterday. Mr. C. W. Ide, the newly appointed United States collector of customs, Port Townsend, was on board. He paid an official visit to the U. S. customs department here.

L. W. Paisley, secretary of the B. C. Live Stock Association, left for the East to-day for the purpose of selecting thoroughbred stock for shipment to British Columbia. Mr. Paisley represents the B. C. Live Stock Association, who will import one car of pure bred shorthorns, one car of pure bred mixed stock, three cars of shorthorn heifers. The heifers are for dairy purposes on the lower Fraser. The pure bred shorthorns will be sold at auction in New Westminster and the mixed stock has been ordered by different B. C. ranchers.

The Vancouver Rifle Association have arranged for a meet on Labor Day. Numerous prizes have been promised.

As was mentioned in the Colonist some time ago that the leader of the Conservatives in the Dominion, Mr. R. L. Borden, K.C., would visit the province next month. He will be accompanied by Messrs. Monk, A. C. Bell and H. A. Powell. The executive of the Conservative Association met yesterday and arranged a programme of places and meetings to be addressed. It is understood party lines in provincial politics will be a live question at these meetings.

At the police investigation to-day Chief North and Sergeant Harris had a very angry passage at arms, the sergeant accusing the chief of neglect of duty and the chief accusing the sergeant of similar irregularities tnd wit hthe attempt to get him dismissed. The scene further illustrated the unfortunate relations existing among the police owing to unproven charges made by the police committee against certain officers of taking hush money from Chinese gamblers. The Chinese who swore to the affidavits as to the alleged crookedness of officers cannot be found.

RAN FOUL OF THE JUDGE

First Day's Meeting Of Maritime Boards of Trade Has Sensation.

Sydney, C.B., Aug. 20.—The conference of the Maritime Provinces Boards of Trade opened here this morning with a hundred delegates in attendance. President Black, in his annual address, in referring to the fast Atlantic line, said Canada wanted nothing inferior to the best. "We must go one better," he said, adding that Canada should adopt a maritime province port all the year round.

A sensation was caused this afternoon by Judge Meagher of the Supreme Court. When coming out of the court house at dinner time he insulted the delegation of the Board of Trade because they refused to move from the steps of the court house where they were being photographed. J. E. DeWolfe, vice-president of the board, condemned the Judge's action. Judge Meagher swore out a warrant and DeWolfe was arrested and taken to jail.

EIGHT KILLED.

Machinery in a Pulp Mill Explodes.

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 20.—Eight workmen are known to have been killed, six are missing and three others are badly injured by the explosion of two steel digesters in the Deleware Pulp Mills of the Jessup & Moore Pulp Co., on the Christiana river to-day.

CRONJE GONE HOME.

With a Thousand More He Sails for South Africa.

Jameston, Island of St. Helena, Aug. 20.—A thousand Boers, including General Cronje, his wife and his staff, sailed from here to-day for South Africa.

The Hague, Aug. 20.—The Boer generals intend to hasten their return to England and start on a lecturing tour through the larger towns. They will confer with the Colonial Secretary, Joseph Chamberlain, in regard to plans for the future autonomy of the South African colonies. It is said that possibly the generals will enter the legislative council of South Africa.