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BUILDING WEST COAST TRAIL

GOOD PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON IT

Work is Being Pushed Forward as Quickly as Possible by Those Employed.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Latest advices from the West Coast indicate that splendid progress is being made on the trail which the marine and fisheries department at Ottawa is having constructed as a means for rapid transit of life along the coast and is being built practically along the shore. It is being constructed for the main part in alluvial soil and is being built in such a way that it is impossible to get a mill way on the coast line.

The photo engraving accompanying this article shows the first bridge constructed by the parties at the spot from the material at hand. It was taken just as the bridge was completed.

Several miles of the road has been already built and the construction gangs are pushing forth every effort to complete the trail before winter according to the intentions of the acting minister of marine and fisheries, H. V. McMillan.

The character of the country through which the trail passes is such as to make the undertaking a most difficult one. Lack of transportation facilities

along the greater part of the way adds to the difficulties. Many bridges have to be built but the work is to be carried on with expedition in spite of all obstacles.

RIOT AT CONVENTION.

Officers Interfered When Oklahoma Republicans Began to Fight.

Muskogee, I. T., July 18.—An attempt by Henry Asp, a railroad attorney, of Guthrie, to address the Republican county convention here to-day, converted the meeting into a howling, fighting mob. Pistols were brandished, knives flashed and chairs were wielded right and left, resulting in bruises and minor injuries to several persons.

Officers with drawn pistols, who threatened to shoot into the crowd if the fighting did not stop, failed to quell the disturbance. United States Deputy Marshal Bud Leadbetter appeared on the scene and practically took charge of the meeting. Leadbetter, who is a Democrat, saved Asp from being mobbed and prevented bloodshed. Asp, pale and trembling, was taken from the meeting.

The trouble started when the anti-Franz and anti-statism forces, of which Asp is a member, attempted to address the meeting before the organization was perfected. The Franz forces were victorious in the test vote for temporary chairman, and the other element then subsided and order was restored.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

London, July 19.—Miss Josephine Leslie, arrested at Newmarket on July 4 charged with defrauding members of a well-known family by false pretences and who represented herself as a friend of J. Pierpont Morgan, has been committed for trial at the criminal court.

WANTS MILITARY BALLOONS.

Places an Order in Germany But Legal Fight May Result.

New York, July 20.—A Berlin dispatch to the Herald says: "The Japanese commission of military experts sent here to order new guns and ammunition worth \$10,000,000 has also ordered ten military balloons. The firm which entered into the contract, Japan has been informed, has not acquired patent rights on any of the improvements which proved so successful at the recent trials at Tegel, and which the Japanese commission demands shall be utilized in the construction of the balloons ordered. A legal fight may result. The Japanese loan from Germany has not materialized. It was stated a few weeks ago that on account of prejudice existing against Japan in Germany no bank would enter into negotiations."

FOREIGN TRADE OF THE DOMINION

STATEMENT FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS

Decrease in June Exports Partly Due to Congestion of Traffic and Strikes.

Ottawa, July 20.—Canada's foreign trade for the three months of the present fiscal year ending June 30th shows very small growth over the same time last year. The aggregate trade is \$150,489,239, about \$10,000 over the same three months in 1906. The imports show a gain of over \$14,000,000, and exports a decrease of nearly the same amount. There was a decrease in domestic exports, namely, \$2,000,000 in the output of mines, over \$1,000,000 in fisheries, over 4,000,000 in forest wealth, \$5,500,000 in animals and agriculture and over

\$1,000,000 in manufactures. The great part of the reduction for the month of June was principally due to the change in the fiscal year, June being the last month of the old fiscal year. The decrease for June exports was over \$3,000,000. This will be recalled later on. The decrease was also partly due to the congestion of traffic and labor strikes at Montreal and Halifax. For the month of June the imports show an increase of over \$2,000,000.

CAVEN IN FINAL FOR KING'S PRIZE

The Scores of Canadians in the Second Stage of the Big Bisley Trophy.

Bisley, July 19.—Co. Sergeant Major Caven, 5th Regiment, Victoria, and Pte. Milligan, 46th Highlanders, are in the final stage for the King's prize.

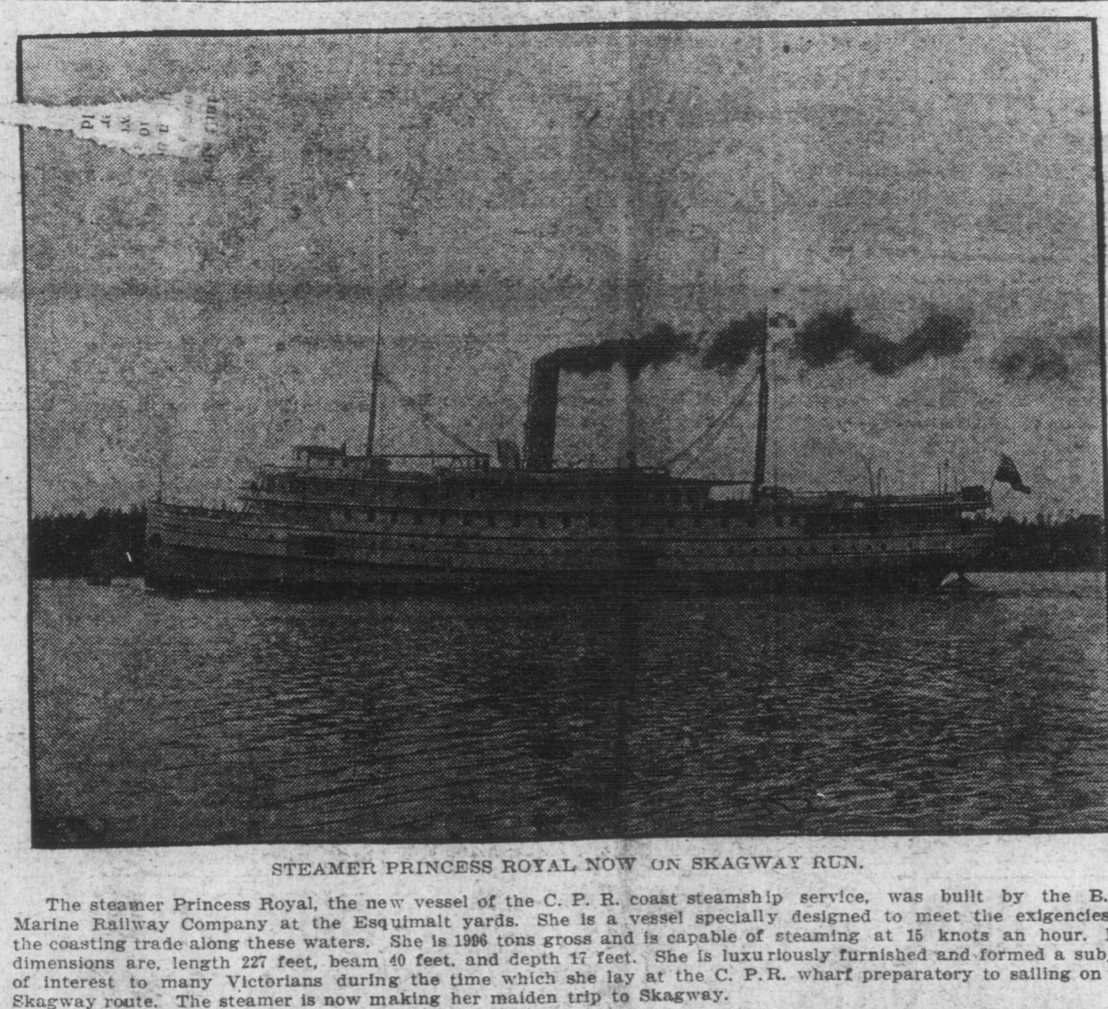
In the second stage of the competition the Canadian scores were as follows: Milligan, 92; Caven, 88; Converse, Barston, Quebec, 85; Creagan, R. C. G. A., Quebec, 83.

Bisley, July 20.—In the second stage of the St. George's vase competition Graham, Toronto, scored 52; Bayliss, 58, and Stevenson, Ottawa, 59.

Sergt. Carr, 5th Regiment, Victoria, made 35, and Capt. Hart McHarg, 6th D. C. O. R., Vancouver, 53 in the Handsworth competition.

Graham won the Elkington challenge cup.

One of the best architects in the world is the oriole. Its graceful nest contains four or six whitish eggs with black and brown spots.



STEAMER PRINCESS ROYAL NOW ON SKAGWAY RUN.

The steamer Princess Royal, the new vessel of the C. P. R. coast steamship service, was built by the B. C. Marine Railway Company at the Esquimalt yards. She is a vessel specially designed to meet the exigencies of the coasting trade along these waters. She is 196 feet long and is capable of steaming at 15 knots an hour. Her dimensions are, length 227 feet, beam 40 feet, and depth 17 feet. She is luxuriously furnished and formed a subject of interest to many Victorians during the time which she lay at the C. P. R. wharf preparatory to sailing on the Skagway route. The steamer is now making her maiden trip to Skagway.

THE TRIAL OF KARL HAU.

Sisters and Brother of Prisoner's Wife Give Evidence.

Karlshrub, July 18.—The third day of the trial of Karl Hau, accused of the murder of his mother-in-law, Frau Molter, was held in the court on Monday.

Testimony was given by the sisters and brother of Hau's wife, who has committed suicide since the incarceration of her husband, and the letters she wrote just before taking her life, together with the statement made by Hau after his last interview with his wife in jail on June 7th, were read in court.

Lieut. Molter, stationed at Motz, swore he suspected Hau immediately he heard of the murder of his mother. The explanation of the dispatch sent to Frau Molter by Hau from Paris was that his mother, as Hau knew, was easily agitated and excited over bad news. The accused therefore sent the message saying her daughter Olga was dangerously ill in the hope that her reception would cause apoplexy.

Describing his talks with the late Mrs. Hau, his sister, after he returned from London, the Lieut. said his sister's first theory was that some enemy of his had killed her mother in order to throw suspicion on her husband. It fell to the lieutenant to explain to his sister all circumstances of the case pointing to the guilt of her husband and this recital he said convinced her that Karl was the murderer. She broke down completely and grovelled on the floor in her struggle against conviction, but finally yielded to the evidence. The lieutenant cabled to Washington asking if his sister's paternity of \$15,000 was still in the Union Trust Company. The answer that he received was that he had drawn all this money out. Mrs. Hau said her husband repeatedly assured her that this money was still intact in the Trust company.

ECUADOR REVOLT.

Revolutionaries Attack Military Barracks—Several Men Killed or Wounded.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, July 19.—The four military barracks in this city were attacked simultaneously just before daybreak this morning by groups of armed revolutionaries, who call themselves Independents. The fighting lasted one hour.

The Independents were finally defeated, several of their number being killed or wounded. The local residence of President Alfaro also was attacked. The revolutionaries proposed to kill the president, but he succeeded in coming out of the conflict unharmed. Guayaquil has been placed under martial law.

HEAT KILLS FIVE.

Three Children and Two Men Died in New York—Inmate of Hospital Committed Suicide.

WORKERS AND THEIR SALARIES

BULLETIN ISSUED BY CENSUS DEPARTMENT

In Five Years Average Wage Per Employee Has Increased 27 Per Cent.

Ottawa, July 19.—A bulletin issued by the census department to-day shows 291,487 wage earners in 1905, with salaries paid of \$164,594,490, as against 344,045 wage earners and salaries of \$112,249,350 in 1900. In the average the number of employees increased 47,452, the amount of wages by \$51,145,450, and average wage per employee by \$90.74. Employees increased in five years 12 per cent., total wages 45 per cent., and average wage per employee 27 per cent.

The value of product per employee in the year 1906 was \$1,298, and in 1905 \$1,132, being an increase of \$166, or 14.6 per cent. In 1890 the average wage per employee was less than in 1905 by \$128.66 and the average product less by \$477.

In respect to the number of employees the industries are grouped under heads: Log products and lumber products lead the list with 54,956, and 13,126 employees respectively. Other leading industries show aggregate employees as follows: Preserved fish, 18,445; foundry and machine shops, 17,927; cottons, 10,454; smelting, 9,849; printing and publishing, 9,856; furniture and upholstered goods, 8,341.

BIG BUSH FIRE.

Nearly Mile of Townsite Burned Over—Flames Are Now Under Control.

Vancouver, July 19.—The big bush fire which has been raging in Hastings townsite since Wednesday night is now practically under control.

For nearly twenty-four hours ten deputies of Fire Warden McKay have been engaged in fighting the flames. The prompt digging of trenches probably saved the sawmill at Still creek, as it was threatened with destruction yesterday. The flames were checked less than a block from the mill and its yards filled with lumber awaiting shipment.

The area burned over stretches nearly a mile to the waterfront. Considerable scrub timber was destroyed. Residents within the adjacent city limits were very apprehensive last night lest the fire would imperil their homes.

Bush fires are raging at many points throughout the district. Fire Warden McKay received word this morning that a bush fire is raging at Eagle Harbor, on Howe Sound, and that valuable cedar limits are threatened. He at once left for the scene, accompanied by a number of his deputies.

BAND LEADER DROWNED.

Atlantic City, N. J., July 20.—Captain August Azzall, leader of the Mexican band which accompanied the El Paso, Texas, lodge of Elks to Philadelphia, was drowned last night while bathing at the foot of Texas avenue.

ELECTION INVOLVED.

Democratic Officials of Louisville to Be Ousted—Governor Appoints New Mayor.

Louisville, Ky., July 19.—With the appointment by Governor J. C. W. Beckham of a complete new board of councilmen and aldermen in a day or two, Louisville will have reached the culmination of a political revolution which in extent and effect has only been paralleled by one or two other cities of the first class in the history of the United States.

The upheaval is the result of the recent Kentucky court of appeals overturning the municipal election of 1905. On the face of returns as counted on election day, the Democratic ticket for city and county officers (Jefferson county) was declared elected, but a contest in the courts was instituted by representatives of the fusion ticket, the only one in the field against the Democrats. The court of appeals, in the final hearing of the case, decided that "gross frauds" in the matter of repeating, illegal voting, intimidation of voters and falsification of the count had prevailed to such an extent as to render the election invalid.

Under the terms of the court's mandate it became incumbent on Governor Beckham to appoint boards of council and aldermen and a mayor for the city of Louisville and a county judge for Jefferson county. The mayor and county judge were under the law, empowered to fill all the remaining county and city offices made vacant by the decision. All the appointees under the decision held office until a special election is held in November of this year to fill the offices until April 1st, 1909.

Gov. Beckham appointed Robert W. Bingham mayor. Walter P. Lincoln was appointed county judge. The new mayor and county judge proceeded forthwith to make practically a clean sweep of all the minor officers, such as city treasurer, sheriff, etc. The mayor also appointed new boards of safety and public works. The board of safety has requested the resignation of Chief of Police Gunther and the resignation of the assistant chief and six captains to the rank of policemen.

Similar sweeping changes are expected to be made in the personnel of the fire department, although Mayor Bingham announced last night that he will retain the chief, Fillmore Tyson. One of the results so far of the changes has been the putting of the "old" down fight on saloons and gambling and the general exodus of small gamblers and tenebrous habits and "suspects" of all kinds.

Last Sunday Louisville was absolutely dry from midnight Saturday until 5 o'clock a. m. Monday.

NEGRO WOUNDED.

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 20.—Last night Mich Murr, a negro, shot and seriously wounded Ira Bailey, a street car motorman, at East Lake, a suburb of this city. The negro made his escape but was followed by a number of deputies, who located him in a house which he surrounded. Murr refused to surrender and fired on the officers. A pitched battle ensued in which the negro was shot and perhaps fatally wounded.

R. L. BORDEN'S TOUR.

Winnipeg, July 20.—R. L. Borden will tour British Columbia from September 24th to October 1st.

At an inquest held at Southend recently the coroner found it necessary to command some of the jury on account of their inebriated condition. At a later inquest the police were careful to select only teetotalers.

MEMBER INVESTIGATION.

Official Leaves For States to Inquire Into Treatment of Japanese and Labor Situation.

Tokio, July 20.—M. Ishi, director of the commercial bureau of the foreign office, started to-day for America to investigate the treatment of Japanese and the labor question.

It is reported that should the correspondence which was exchanged between Washington and Tokio on the San Francisco incidents be published Japanese indignation would be increased. The report, however, is authoritatively discredited.

It is expected that M. Ishi's visit will serve to dispel the last cloud of doubt in the friendly relations of both nations.

CLOSING SPEECH FOR THE STATE ATTORNEY HAWLEY ADDRESSES JURY

Declares Cross-Examination by the Defence Failed to Alter Orchard's Story.

Boise, Idaho, July 20.—The trial of Wm. D. Hayward, which has occupied the district court of Ada county for the last ten weeks, entered its last stage, and James S. Hawley, counsel for the prosecution, is now arguing to the jury that the evidence presented by the State proves the guilt of Hayward as a member of the conspiracy.

Mr. Hawley has characterized Orchard's evidence as a plain story told without effort at concealment, without boastfulness and without fear. He points out that a cross-examination without parallel in the history of criminal cases failed to alter the story in any one particular.

He maintained that the five confessions of Orchard were due to the power of divine grace. "Any statement," said Mr. Hawley, "that counsel for the defence may make to you charging that the extradition of these men was secured on a perjured affidavit, is false and done merely for the purpose of distracting your attention and creating prejudice against the prosecution. We maintain that under the plain law of conspiracy Hayward is guilty of the murder of Governor Steunenberg."

Mr. Hawley in plain words has charged the willful perjury against a number of witnesses brought by the defence to contradict Orchard's story of the crime. He repeatedly anticipated the probable argument of counsel for the defence, which he said would be directed towards exciting hatred against some persons connected with the prosecution.

Throughout his argument Mr. Hawley repeatedly asked the jury to look for a motive for Orchard's crime, or a motive for any of these crimes other than that of revenge or a determination on the part of the Western Federation of Miners to terrorize all who opposed them.

KILLED IN TROLLEY CAR ACCIDENT

One Man Dead, Woman Seriously Injured and Several Passengers Slightly Hurt.

Norfolk, July 20.—In a trolley accident last night on the Ocean View line to the exposition just beyond Ocean View, G. E. Adamson, of Providence, R. I., was instantly killed. Mrs. J. Mattie Perkins, of Norfolk, was seriously injured and several passengers were slightly hurt.

A car carrying passengers enroute to Norfolk jumped the track. While the crew was working to get the car back on the rails, the trolley was off and darkness prevailed, when another trolley suddenly loomed up in the rear. The passengers became panic-stricken and several jumped. Mr. Adamson leaped in front of a rapidly approaching car on the opposite track and was horribly mangled. Mrs. Green jumped and fell down an embankment. It is feared she was internally injured. Other passengers left the car hurriedly, falling and receiving minor bruises. Mr. Adamson was connected with the General Fire Insurance Company, of Advertising Co., Jeffrey Bros. & Co., St. Stephenson Planet, Chattanooga.

Previous to this suits were entered for amounts totalling over \$200,000.

ACTIVITY IN BUILDING TRADE

SHOWS INCREASE IN VICTORIA'S BUSINESS

Some of the Buildings Now in Course of Construction—Bradstreet's Report.

Bradstreet's give the following comparisons of the weekly bank clearings throughout the Dominion for the week ending July 18th, showing an all round increase varying from 4.2 to 31.6 per cent for the corresponding time last year.

Montreal, \$33,131,000; Increase, 16 per cent.
Winnipeg, \$11,777,000; Increase, 22 per cent.
Vancouver, \$4,182,000; Increase, 4.2 per cent.
Quebec, \$2,132,000; Increase, 11.0 per cent.
St. John, \$1,412,000; Increase, 14.4 per cent.
Victoria, \$1,131,000; Increase, 25.5 per cent.
Edmonton, \$1,069,000.
Ottawa, \$3,219,000; Increase, 6 per cent.
Toronto, \$24,865,000; Increase, 24.5 per cent.
Halifax, \$2,084,000; Increase, 14.0 per cent.
Hamilton, \$1,728,000; Increase, 4.2 per cent.
London, \$1,462,000; Increase, 20.5 per cent.
Calgary, \$1,357,000; Increase, 31.6 per cent.

From the above statistics it will be seen that the bank clearings of Victoria show an increase of twenty-five per cent over the clearings for the corresponding time in July, 1906.

In this output of weekly reports Bradstreet says: "Summer trade in Canada has proved better than expected, and collections are improving. The outlook for the late crops is encouraging, grain yields especially promising well for this early date. Re-order trade in dry goods reflects the good retail business doing, and the clothing trade is also reported in good shape. Montreal reports mills and car foundries working to full capacity, crops in eastern Canada looking well, and export business improving. Toronto reports a leading feature to be the improvement in collections. A record year's business is likely. Winnipeg has found trade and collections better, though there is still room for complaint. Failures for the week are 26, as against 15 this week a year ago."

The increase in Victoria trade is shown in the building operations of large firms in this city to provide for enlarged warehousing facilities, manufacturing and tourist accommodations. In Port street, the huge store-warehouse of Pither & Leiser is nearing completion. On the same street the Pacific Transfer are pulling down the present commodious stables to erect one three times the size of the present one. On Government street will be seen another large store in the course of erection. At the corner of Yates and Douglas a new bank has almost finished its excavations. On Yates street the Silvester Feed Company have been compelled to erect a far larger warehouse. On the same street Stephen Jones has found it necessary to add another floor to the Dominion hotel and to all parts of the world railway have had to provide special accommodation for the tourists visiting the Island.

In every way signs of the great increase of twenty-five per cent in the bank clearings are apparent to even the most cursory observer.

LIBEL SUITS.

Actions Entered Against Newspapers by Mrs. Perkins, R. Currie and T. S. McDonald.

Toronto, July 18.—Libel suits to the amount of \$200,000 have been entered against twenty-eight newspapers which published accounts of the trial of Mrs. Mattie Perkins, which were distasteful to her. Twenty-eight writs were entered as Osborne Hall to-day. The plaintiffs are Mattie Perkins, Cayuga; Ralph Currie, Cayuga, and Thos. S. McDonald. In some cases all three are suing on a separate action, each actor being for \$10,000 damages.

The defendants are the German Printing & Publishing Co., Berlin; Record Printing Co., Windsor; Standard Printing Co., Windsor; Sentinel Review, Woodstock; Express Printing Co., Guelph; H. Gummer, Herald Guelph; Henry Gorman, Sarnia; Geo. Reeves, Cayuga; W. A. Fry, Dunnville; Woodstock Express Printing Co., Niagara Falls; Printing & Advertising Co., Jaffray Bros. & Co., St. Stephenson Planet, Chattanooga.

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