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RICAN NEWS.

ALIFORNIA.

co, April 26.—The Southern ad company issued an order ird-class tickets to Missouri ll be raised to $35.

STERN STATES.

Pa., April 26.—The miners of the amalgamated associa- and held a mass meeting to- en in line. It is generally the men will ask for eight with eight hours' pay. The ll begin May 1st. Arbitra- oked on with favor.

April 26.—A special from to the Post Dispatch states v. Benj. Doering, of St. en for some days past hold- f temperance revival meet- ave been wonderfully suc- t night some one placed in a vater which the revivalist pon the desk from which he , a large quantity of croton persons drank of the water services began and became but not knowing the cause s failed to warn Deering not m the pstcher. The latter discourse drank a glass of was immediately taken sick. d the water are to-day in a ndition. Two saloon-keepers rested on suspicion, and it is they poisoned the water to ices which were having such effect on their business.

ville, Mo., to-day Geo. E. Smithville, N. J., won the cycle road race in 3 hours, nd 42½ seconds, lowering the early half an hour. The sec rd men also beat the record. ck, April 26.—The strike of ouse employes at Williams- reen Point still continues, and n is unchanged.

x, April 26.—Inquiry among the estate men shows that rents for of property has been reduced 25 per cent. The strikers and mbles in building trade are pre- e commencement of many new It is thought this will cause an rents next season. The effect bor troubles upon the building city can hardly be estimated. et that building in this city is suspended this season on this The same story comes from Bos- rd to the effect of the labor agi- n building trade.

e of most serious parts is about this vicinity over the eight hour The hope of the central trades nions, of needy acquiescence by portion of employes in the ex- proves to be groundless.

OUTHERN STATES.

sor, April 26.—In the case of er City of Mexico, libelled by nment as a prize, and also for for the violation of the neu- s, Judge Locke dismissed the , as there could be no prize the existence of a specific law; refused the forfeiture of the vessel unds of the probable intention the laws; referring to the outfit and men, and the intention to ther cargoes at points in the seas.

COLORADO.

, April 26.—St. Elmo special umber of men were at work on klin tunnel to-day when the house was destroyed by fire cut he air supply. One was smoth- Heath while attempting to reach haft. His five companions were on the 300 foot level in an un- condition, and their recovery is

s City, April 26.—An incoming rain on the Missouri Pacific was at 4 o'clock this morning be- yandotte and this city, near the river bridge. The spikes had moved from the rails on a curve hen the train approached, the nd four freight cars went off the wn the embankment. The engine ver and stopped bottom side up at r's edge. A fireman and brakeman led outright, and the engineer was into the river and seriously injured. as to the perpetrators has as yet tained.

.—Fowler says he slacked speed on thing the bend of the river, keeping lookout as the train passed under ge. It was going at about six miles r when he saw several men in apparently watching the train. The r reached for a rifle that he carried, nst then the engine struck the loos- ils. He reversed his engine and off, landing at the water's edge. reman was caught under the engine led. The brakeman who was on the car was carried down and crushed h. It is asserted that a man named rse who was on the crowd of specta- n the bluff over the track fell over the and was fatally injured. It is also at three men were seen going rapid- the track after the accident, and g to halt, were fired on by a watch- and deputies, without effect. The es made for the woods and escaped. s. M. V. Sides, a young wife and r, living at Bijon basin, while ng her baby this afternoon asked a ng friend, Edward Mackey, for a k-knife. Mackey unbuckled his dge belt to get at the pocket, when alibre colt's revolver dropped on oor and exploded, the ball crashing gh a chair, the woman's right arm nto her heart, killing her instantly. cy is almost crazed with grief, but not arrested.

e floods at Las Vegas, N. M., caused e heavy rains, subsided yesterday. age to private property nearly $20,

HATTANOOGA, April 26.—A Manches- Coffee Co., Tenn., special gives de- of a bloody tragedy enacted there ly after midnight this morning, in h C. S. Deputy Marshal, Webb, Par- Manchester and a moonshiner named kemore were killed and three other nshiners fatally wounded. About ten s ago Purdon, accompanied Deputy- shal Hughes on a raid among illicit lleries in Grundy Co., Tenn., and ured and destroyed several stills. ween 12 and 1 this morning fifteen nshiners rode into Manchester, de- nined to have Purdon's life. Seven k into his house and the balance sur- nded it. Purdon met them as they red with revolvers, and a terrible le ensued. Two moonshiners fell the floor mortally wounded, and the g retreated, but they had succeeded tally wounding Purdon. Disabled as was he seized a double barrelled shot- and fired into the retreating gang and more fell mortally wounded. Purdon n fell dead beside the body of one of victims. The gang carried off their nded companions. A large posse is w in pursuit of them.

Marine.

Steamship Wellington, from Departure y, and Sardonyx, from Mexico, arrived San Francisco on the 25th inst.

Steamship Geo. W. Elder arrived at ur o'clock yesterday morning, with 46 bin passengers and 528 tons freight for is port. The weather experienced on e trip was exceptionally heavy; so much s to require the full exercise of the amanship of the officers of the vessel to able her to weather the gale. The El- r left for the Sound yesterday after- on.

Steamer Sardonyx will sail from San rancisco for Victoria to-day.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—The rough weath- r on the gulf on Monday caused such a eavy sea to be running in Nanaimo har- or that a pile of lumber which was ween decks in the bark Cassandra Adams toppled over, falling on two men, breaking both arms of one and the leg of another. They were taken to the hospi- al, where their limbs were set. They narrowly escaped death.

PICNIC.—In future the Oddfellows' So- ciety intend to give a picnic on Dominion day of each year, commencing with the coming anniversary.

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THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL EDITION FOR SOUTH GAMSION, LAKE, METCHOSIN, SOOKE, COMOX AND OTHER DISTRICTS NOT REACHED BY FRIDAY'S MAIL IS PRINTED EVERY TUESDAY MORNING AND DISPATCHED THROUGH THE POSTOFFICE.

Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, May 7.

The Chimes of Normandy

It is needless to say that the Victoria Theatre was filled last night by an audience anxious to witness the performance of "The Chimes of Normandy" by the Victoria Operatic Society; but it can aptly be mentioned that this opera, as placed on the stage last night, was one of the most successfully rendered amateur performances ever given in the city. There was nothing to mar or detract from the unqualified triumph, no hitch in the proceedings; all of the company were letter perfect; while the music was lively and executed with a dash and spirit that contributed in no small degree to the success. The costumes, scenery, the singing and acting were all so excellent as to form a *tout ensemble* that can be more easily and pleasurably recalled than adequately described. The curtain rang up on the first scene—a forest near the village of Corneville, where all the gossips (ladies, principally, we are sorry to state) of the village are calmly dissecting many personal reputations, but chiefly that of Serpolette (Miss Heathfield) who surprises them at their scandal. In this scene in her solo in "Look at That, etc.," this young lady received an ovation of applause and floral tributes *ad libitum*. Mr. H. Kent, as the Marquis of Corneville, was good both in make-up and in voice, in spite of the disadvantage presented by a sore throat; though in this latter temporary affliction he was not alone, Mr. Steve Wootton, who sustained the part of Grochenux, the fisherman, being similarly troubled. In the second act, Germaine (Miss Bate) who has entered the service of the Marquis, acquitted herself so admirably in the song of "By His Side," as to secure an enthusiastic demand for its repetition. Miss Bate has a sympathetic voice whose notes, sweet and clear, fell upon the ears of her listeners with an effect that was irresistible, and to her also were deservedly tendered several lovely bouquets. In this scene the dramatic powers of Mr. Lombard, as the miser Gaspard, were strikingly called forth. In the castle hall, forsaken for years owing to superstitious fears, the varying moods of the old man counting his gold in imagined safety, his terror stricken countenance at the first suggestion of danger, and his overwhelming horror when he found that his hidden wealth was discovered, and the climax when his reason suddenly fled while the old bells were chiming out their nearly forgotten tones, was really a masterpiece of acting. Mr C. B. Palmer, as the Bailli, was comical, and as he was intentionally so, was a success, and was held in great awe by Mr. Monro, who, as the Notary, was continually adjuring all and everyone to "bow to the Bailli." The sequel in which Serpolette's brief enjoyment of the title of Marchioness was succeeded in that position by Germaine as the true heiress, the love song between her and Henri, the restoration of Gaspard's reason, and the general triumph of goodness and virtue, brought to a close an opera that has gained a charm in the eyes of those who witnessed it as performed by the members of the Victoria Operatic company. And now a closing word as to the orchestra: This feature of the entertainment was, as before said, equally commendable with all the others, and the need of praise due to Prof. Pferdner was well recognised when Miss Heathfield, on behalf of the members of the company, presented him at the close of the first act with a gold-headed baton in token of their appreciation of his painstaking and untiring efforts in their instruction. Mr. Pferdner accepted the gift with an appropriate acknowledgment. Sharing in the credit of the fortunate hit made last night must be mentioned Mrs. Lombard (piano accompanist), Mr. Lombard, stage manager, and the following members of the company not previously mentioned: Misses Heathorn, Harrison, A. Austin and C. Storey (village maidens); Mr. J. S. Yates, (registrar); Mr. H. Wootton, (assessor), and a host of villagers who are always ready when required. The proceeds (for the British Benevolent society) are for a good object; and we therefore doubly welcome the success of the performance which will be repeated this evening to an inevitably crowded house.

What Some People Say.

That about fifty boys attending the upper school in East St. Louis struck, demanding shorter hours. The boys, armed with picks and broom handles, went to Clay school and endeavored to pursuade the scholars there to follow their example, but met with no success. The upper boys declare they will not attend school until their demand for shorter hours is granted.

That consumers of oleomargarine will be pleased, says an American paper, to learn that among the ingredients used in its manufacture are sugar of lead, glycerine, sulphuric acid, caustic potash, stomach of pigs, chalk, borax, tallow and lard.

Annie Lee Wilson, of Memphis, stepped her baby to her breast and jumped into the river. In a pocketbook found on the dead body of the young mother were the words: "God, deal as gently with my erring and broken-hearted girl and her innocent little baby as you can."

That Princess Victoria, of Teck, is 19 years of age, and it is expected she will come out this season. She is a charming girl and by her beauty and her manners may secure an eligible *parti*. She will have no dowry from her impoverished parents, but those who know her say she is a fortune in herself.

That a photograph of the interior of the quarry at Chamcelade, England, where a number of workmen were entombed three months back by a landslip, has now been successfully taken from the hole bored to a depth of more than two hundred feet through the crown of a hill. The body of a man can be distinctly seen lying at a short distance from the spot. The gallery in which the men were employed appears intact, and the unfortunate men must have perished by hunger.

That the new colors in Paris this season are to be "Atlantic Ocean" and "Serpent" the lightest and darkest of greens, and "Partridge" and "Bumblebee," lightest and darkest of browns.

That it requires the annual slaughter of 100,000 elephants to keep the world supplied with ivory. England alone uses up the produce of 30,000 elephants, or 1,200,000 pounds.

That an English dean, at the close of a sermon in which he warned his hearers of the speedy end of all things, asked for a liberal contribution to rebuild the tower of the church in which he was preaching.

That the horrid story from Seward county, Kansas, published in yesterday's *Colonist*, is a canard. The heart of the man who could invent a yarn of that character must be hard indeed.

That an English paper states that shopkeepers in the town of Bacup, in Lancashire, England, can buy sugar in London, send it to New York, via Liverpool, order it back to Bacup, again via Liverpool, at tenpence a ton less than they can get it over the railroad from London to Bacup direct.

That it appears that Mr. Powderly, in remonstrating with some of his people on their habits of extravagance and dissipation said, among other things: "Drink water, as cattle do." This is taken in some quarters as an insult; and it was resented at a meeting of socialists in Chicago on Sunday. The feeling was that beer drinkers to "drink water, as cattle do." It is worse than any of the insults that have proceeded from Jay Gould.

Personal.

Mr. E. L. Shannon, real estate dealer, returned from a lengthened visit to the islands yesterday, much improved in health.

At the Driard: Jacob S. Taber, San Francisco; John Burke, Portland; F. A. W. Peel, New York; Chas. E. Davis, Oakland, Cal.; John O. Griswold, New York; Ed. Farrer, Manitoba.

At the Oriental: J. Davis, Seattle; J. H. Bell, H. W. Smith, San Juan.

At the Occidental: J. H. Johnson, Portland; Elliott Carter, St. John, N.B.

Houses of Ill-Fame.

Nettie Holt is before the police court on a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame on the classic thoroughfare known as Broad street. The house has become notorious of late since the occurrence of a robbery in its close vicinity and the finding of a part of the plunder in a w. c. attached to the premises. It is rumored that other summonses are in course of preparation and that it is the intention of the police, as fast as circumstances will admit or proof can be obtained, to compel the criminal and vagrant classes to leave the heart of the city for localities where their presence will be less obnoxious. The police meet with many obstructions in the prosecution of their duty. A few days ago the Brockleman woman was driven from a small house on Yates street, the establishment closed and the owner notified that should he let his property to similar persons again he would be prosecuted. In spite of this warning the immoral hole is again open and a new set of Cyprians are now disporting themselves therein. Proceedings against the owner will be taken forthwith.

Police Court.

(Before E. Johnson, Esq., S. M.)

FRIDAY, April 30.

Morris Pendergast was remanded until to-morrow on a charge of stealing $20.

Frank Angelos was committed for trial for highway robbery.

Wm. Cooper for assaulting Wm. Hebner was fined $20 or one month.

A. W. Lawson for an infraction of the Hack Regulation bylaw paid $20.

Nettie Holt will appear to-morrow and answer to the charge of keeping a house of ill-fame.

Ah Luie was fined $10 for being a vagrant. The fine was paid.

Ah Jim was further remanded.

Ah Sing, charged with stealing a coat from another Ah Sing, was discharged.

Henry Heath, of unsound mind, was further remanded.

Ah Sing in giving evidence perjured himself and was held for trial. Remanded till to-morrow.

BAREFACED FOOTPAD.—At noon on Thursday a lady named Mrs. Noake was walking along the sidewalk in front of the Government buildings when a man, who afterwards proved to be a Lascar sailor, came up behind her, and quickly diving one hand into her dress pocket, with the other grasped one of her arms to prevent her turning. Her cries for help attracted the attention of several persons, among others Supt. Roycraft, who gave chase to the fleeing culprit. Getting winded, the chief with the friendly aid of a bread cart took "a rise" out of the thief by first running him down and then running him in. In the police court yesterday the man, who gave his name as Frank Angelos, was committed for trial.

CANADA TEMPERANCE ACT.—A petition has been presented to the house of commons by the Victoria district Methodist church, praying that no change be made in the Canada Temperance Act tending to lessen its prohibitory character, or to make its adoption or enforcement more difficult.

THE FIERY ELEMENT.

GREAT CONFLAGRATION AT SAN FRANCISCO.

A $750,000 Fire on Market Street.

Bancroft's Publishin House in Ruins.

Several Lives Lost by Falling Walls.

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—A fire which broke out about 4 o'clock this afternoon in the establishment of A. L. Bancroft, furniture dealers and manufacturers, on Market street, between Third and Fourth streets, spread to A. L. Bancroft & Co.'s stationery and printing establishment in the same building. The fire is still raging but is believed now (6:30 p. m.) to be under control. The loss, as near as can be ascertained, is about three quarters of a million dollars. A number of lives were lost.

A few minutes before 4 o'clock this afternoon an alarm was sounded for a fire, which was discovered in the building on the south side of Market street, between Third and Fourth streets, owned by A. L. Bancroft & Co., stationers and publishers, and occupied by them and L. & E. Emanuel, furniture manufacturers and dealers. The building was five stories high, and the entire east side and two top stories of the west side of it were occupied by Bancroft & Co., while the three lower stories and basement of the west side were tenanted by Emanuel's. Although the fire department responded promptly to the summons, the inflamable nature of the contents of the entire building gave the fire a good start and within fifteen minutes from the time the first alarm had been sounded a second was turned in. Nothing definite is known as to where the fire started or what was the cause. Some assert it started in Emanuel's basement; others that it originated in Bancroft's engine room. It apparently, however, started in the lower part of the structure near one of the elevator shafts which it

ASCENDED LIKE A ROCKET

and spread itself over every floor of the building. In a very short time hopes which were at first entertained that a large portion of the contents of the building could be saved soon vanished and efforts were then made to confine the flames to the building in which it had started. But even in this the fire department was unsuccessful, bursting hose, and a westerly wind which was blowing, operated against them. Every engine in the city was called into requisition; but fears that this might be inadequate to meet the emergency caused Chief Scannell to summon assistance from Oakland, the fire department of which was promptly tendered. Meanwhile the fire continued to rage, and soon every window in the burning building fronting Market street was curtained with flame, while from the roof of the building dense clouds of smoke, intermittently penetrated by monster tongues of flame, rose high in the air and could be viewed over the whole city and bay. While the whole interior building was thus completely wrapped in flames a crash was heard and the top flooring upon which

HUGE BINDING FRAMES

and plant had been standing, gave way, precipitating half the motion mass of metal to the floors below. This in turn being half eaten through by the flames gave way, and soon each floor in turn crashed downward, until nothing but the interior was left. The fire, however, had not confined its ravages to the Bancroft building alone, but had leaped the narrow width of Jessie street in the rear, and soon had ignited a dozen or more smaller houses, used mostly as dwellings. Most of these were entirely consumed or so badly wrecked that they will have to be razed. The flames also spread to the buildings on each side of the doomed Bancroft edifice. About 5:15 p.m. the rear part of the west wall of Bancroft's building fell with a crash and demolished a small building alongside it fronting Jessie street, which took fire and buried several men under the debris. All were rescued with but slight injuries. Soon after this the rear wall fell, and this was followed by the front portion of the west wall adjoining Emanuels on West street and fronting Market street. It was a three story building occupied as a piano salesroom, trunk factory and frame factory. When the last wall fell it brought down with it this building, which was flattened so thoroughly that no semblance of a building remained. It was not till an hour and a half after the fire was started that it was gotten under control. The losses are estimated at three quarters of a million, divided, as near as can be ascertained as follows: A. L. Bancroft, building, $120,000, insured for $70,000; stock and plant, $400,000, insurance $120,000; L. and E. Emanuel, stock of furniture, $120,000; insurance $30,000. Other buildings and contents on which were little insurance will probably make up balance of three quarters of a million. A number of persons are reported killed and seriously injured. Patrick Beatty, aged 45, employed in the trunk factory adjoining Emanuel's was caught in the falling ruins and taken out in a dying condition. He was removed to the city hospital where he died shortly afterward. Jack Curran, fireman, who had his leg broken at Crocker's fire sustained the same injury to-day. There were about 250 people in Bancroft's and Emanuel's establishments, including a large number of girls employed in Bancroft's who, when the alarm sounded throughout the building made a stampede on the stairways leading to the streets. Fortunately all escaped in safety. A fire year old boy of Mr. Baron, blacksmith, on Broadway, near Stockton, while viewing the fire from the roof of his father's house lost his balance and was killed.

FOUND DEAD IN HER ROOM.—The Seattle Chronicle states that a Mrs. Harris was found dead in her room on Wednesday morning. Her neighbors had not seen her the day before and as they knew that she was not only in ill-health, but was worrying at the somewhat unfavorable reports received from her husband, who had gone to British Columbia in search of work, they visited the house. After vainly knocking at the door for admittance, they finally entered the house by a back window. Going to Mrs. Harris' bedroom they found the door thereof barred. They burst it open and found the poor woman lying dead in her bed. Her husband, George P. Harris, is a carpenter, and went to Vancouver, B. C., about two months ago. From there he advised her of his intention of going to the Granite creek mines. Mrs. Harris, during her husband's absence, has been supporting herself by her own work. Death resulted from heart disease.

BASEBALL.—Our lads of the baseball club will have to look to their laurels and commence practice as soon as possible if they wish to get away with their American cousins on the 24th inst.

COLLECTOR BESCHER.—It is rumored at Port Townsend that the nomination of Collector Bescher of Port Townsend has been withdrawn from the senate.

The Sproule Case.

It was rumored last evening that the United States government had requested the Canadian government to allow the Sproule case to be re opened; or, at least, to grant a further respite until the value of the affidavits recently made in his behalf had been ascertained. A request of that nature will probably not be disregarded. In the Dr. Lamson case a respite was granted by the British government at the request of the United States government. It availed the murderer nothing as the new evidence was shown to be worthless; but the concession was made as a mark of deference to the great nation to which Lamson belonged. The crime for which Lamson was hanged was one of the coolest murders on record. He was an American, doctor settled in England. There he met a lovely English girl, an orphan, and married her. She brought him a large fortune which the doctor in a few years dissipated. The life had an only brother—an invalid at school in England. In the event of his death the fortune willed him by his parents would fall to his sister, Lamson's wife. In his desperation the doctor visited the boy at the school, and, under pretence of prescribing for him, administered strychnine in capsules, which the poor lad accepted without hesitation. Some time after the doctor had left, the boy was taken violently ill and died in great agony. The murderer had covered his tracks well; but step by step he was traced by the detectives and brought to justice. The evidence in Lamson's case was direct. In Sproule's it is circumstantial.

The Fair God.

A novel novel, as novels go, entitled "The Fair God, or the Last of the 'Tzins,'" has lately been published. It is written by Lew Wallace, the American minister to Turkey. The work is one of fiction, combining the flowery language and chivalrous notions of the Spanish of the sixteenth century, and the heroic traditions of the Aztecs, whose civilization was swept away by the aggression of the old Spanish conquerors. Apart from the interest which is excited in the development of the plot that has been created, the chief attraction lies in the relation of the weird traditions of a race whose strange mixture of civilization and barbarism, knowledge of some modern and several lost arts which were practiced co-evally with savage sacrificial rites, cause the world to marvel to this day who and what these people were, and whence they came with their hieroglyphic lore. The popular edition of the work is on sale at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s book-store.

Supreme Court.—In Divorce.

(Before Mr. Justice Crease.)

KEAYS V. KEAYS.—This case coming on for trial yesterday the petitioner and several other witnesses were examined. The respondent did not appear, and the judge held that the allegations in the petition were proved and pronounced a decree *nisi*.

Mr. Charles Wilson for the petitioner.

An Urgent Need.

The directors of the Royal hospital issue a powerful and touching appeal to the public of Victoria and outlying districts for aid in supporting one of our most charitable institutions—the Royal hospital. The funds of this institution though administered with the most rigorous regard for economy are at a very low ebb; and this being the case we feel sure that our people will never allow to rest upon them the stigma that by closing their hearts they closed a home for the sick and suffering. Rather will they respond generously, and in that spontaneous manner which, impelled by tender and generous sympathies, imparts a double value to a gift. Surely, if ever gifts are treasured up in Heaven they are those noble ones which alleviate human suffering and sorrow for "He who giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

Queen's Birthday.

The general committee met last evening, Mayor Fell in the chair. His worship was appointed chairman of the committee. On motion, Mayor Fell, Messrs. McNiffe and Robertson were appointed a committee to wait on the government and city council requesting a donation.

It was resolved that the day should be celebrated by a baseball match and other sports on Beacon hill. The meeting then adjourned till Thursday evening at eight o'clock.

German Services.

Rev. G. Graedel, of Seattle, preached to a number of our German citizens last evening in the Sunday school room of the First Presbyterian Church, on Pandora street. The congregation seemed very much pleased with the gospel services at which they were privileged to assist, and at the close it was resolved that the reverend gentleman should come to Victoria and preach once a month, on the fourth Sunday of each month, in the same building. Rev. Mr. Graedel, who is a clergyman of the German Reformed Church of the United States, hopes to make this the nucleus of a church which will in time embody the great body of our German population.

CHANGED HANDS.—Mr. Luke Pither has sold his interest in the Occidental hotel to Mr. Jos. Bayley, late of Des Moines, Iowa, and Mr. Ed. Legg, a well-known resident of Victoria. During Mr. Pither's three years' connection with the hotel he has earned for it with the traveling and general public a high reputation, and the Occidental is known far and near as a house where the weary traveler meets with a generous welcome, supplemented by an excellent table and accommodation. With the business public Mr. Pither is known as a gentleman fair and honest in all his dealings, and they will be sorry to lose him as a customer. He and his estimable wife, to whom is also due much of the success that has met the hotel, have many warm friends in the city, who will wish them well in whatever department in life they may now follow. After settling business affairs it is their intention to pay a visit to their old home at LeRoy, N. Y., after which they will return to Victoria. The best that can be wished the new proprietors is that they may meet with the same success that was attained by the old.

THE ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO RAILWAY.—A report was current yesterday that the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway company had let a contract to extend their line from Esquimalt to the Indian reservation opposite the city. This is not the case; but we are in a position to state that a definite announcement with regard to the extension of the railway to Victoria will be made public next week.

STREET REPAIRS.—Yates street, between Government and Broad street, temporarily blocked to traffic during the substantial repairs to the road which are proceeding. Those who witnessed (and they were many) the action of the steam roller in action there yesterday could see that good work was being done. "Jumbo" is proving itself an acquisition to the city.

THE YOKOHAMA AND TOKIO

Luxurious Sleepers for the Canadian Pacific

To Run Through from Montreal to the Pacific.

The Canadian Pacific railway has just received the first two of the sleeping cars intended for the through service to the Pacific, which certainly excel any elsewhere seen, and perhaps warrant one in assuming that absolute perfection has been reached. They are appropriately named the "Yokohama" and "Tokio," have been built after designs by Mr. W. C. Van Horne, vice president of the Canadian Pacific railway, and models of beauty and adaptability. The exterior is of solid mahogany without any attempt at elaborate ornateness and produces an effect of richness and solidity seldom seen. The trucks are of the best workmanship, the wheels have steel tires, are forty-two inches in diameter, the standard size.

On entering the car the sight is one of quiet richness and luxurious comfort and of finished taste, so artistically do all the colors of the materials and woods blend. In the centre of the car are four sofa sections, with very large windows, a new arrangement which will commend itself. These and the others are upholstered in peacock blue plush, and each section is so arranged that the cushions support the traveller in any and all positions. Both upper and lower berths are provided with windows and electric bells. The woodwork consists of

SOLID MAHOGANY, ELABORATELY CARVED

The body of the interior is built of satinwood, exquisitely inlaid with mother of pearl and brass figures. The hinges and escutcheons of the berths are made in a large antique pattern of solid brass and form a quiet contrast to the mahogany and satinwood. The ventilators are of cast colored Venetian glass of beautiful opalescent hues; the windows are hung with heavy curtains; the floor of the car is covered with a Turkey carpet of the finest manufacture; the berth mirrors are of beveled glass in antique frames of brass; the head lining of the car is of a muriel mosaic pattern, and at each end of the car is a square of brass trellis work which presents a very handsome appearance; there are eight heavy lamps of novel appearance and design. The doors of the toilet room at each end, and the woodwork of the spacious private sections are of mahogany, as well as those of the toilet rooms, of which there are two. There is a new feature—a bath room—and this luxury will certainly be appreciated by travelers. There is also a very commodious smoking room, which is fitted with large windows, so that it is an excellent observation car and affords an excellent means of viewing the magnificent scenery of the C. P. R. route. The cars are intended to be run direct through from Montreal to British Columbia, with nine others now nearly finished, starting on the first trip from Montreal on May 24th next.

LONG LAKE.—This lake, not far from Oregon mountain, in Lake district, was well known for the abundance of the trout in its waters. Its fame has indeed attracted too much attention; for it has become the resort of certain fishermen who, arriving at almost dawn, bait with salmon roe, fish all day with as many lines as they can attend to, stop until it is too dark to see any longer, and then reluctantly return to town overloaded with the number they have been able to catch. Only a few days since a "sportsman" from town captured and bore away in triumph no less than three hundred trout from this lake; and as its resources while great are not inexhaustible, settlers in the immediate vicinity complain, and not without reason, that the fish, already getting scarce, will soon be exterminated. Until, however, a law is passed prohibiting the use of salmon roe as bait, which the trout are unable to resist, there appears to be no way of stopping such wholesale catches. One farmer says that if the lake receives much more attention of this kind it will soon become necessary to use a drag net to catch the last twe or three fish that will remain. When a fish preservation law is passed he will probably remember what has been done and have the pleasure of catching the anglers who are wrongfully catching the fish.

REV. MR. CROSBY, who has been a zealous laborer among the Indians of the north for many years, and now resides at Port Simpson, addressed the people last evening from an elevated stand in front of the Belmont shoe factory. The meeting was a most orderly one, and the reverend gentleman was earnestly listened to throughout his remarks. He dwelt on God's goodness in providing for sinful man so many means for salvation, and besought all to cease sinning and come to Christ. A number of the brethren sang hymns, which were joined in by many present. It is pleasant to note that the disgraceful action of a few hoodlums on the preceding night was not repeated, possibly the presence of some members of the police force having a deterent influence upon them.

Y. M. C. A.—The following is the past month's record of the secretary of the Y.M. C. A.: Calls made on business, 306; calls made on young men, 250; calls received, 406; letters, etc., written by the general secretary, 174; visitors to rooms, 3,001; Bible class, average attendance 9; song and gospel services, average attendance, 113; introductions given to young men, 39; introductions received from young men, 51; employment obtained for 3; Bulletins mailed and distributed, 1000. The society also extends its thanks to Mr. R. T. Williams for binding, free, 20 volumes of books for library; to Mrs. Cridge, for loan of piano for boys' social; to the ladies and gentlemen who kindly assisted at the boys' social; to Mrs. Gerow, Mrs. McMicking and Mr. J. B. Ferguson for books for boys' library.

COLUMBIA RIVER FISHERIES.—Twenty-three Astoria canneries have publicly announced that an efficient force will patrol the river to protect the rights of property and persons of fishermen willing to fish, and every effort will be made to give them full protection; also $100 reward is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of personal violence or forcible intimidation or destruction of fishing gear. Senator Dolph writes the chamber of commerce that the secretary of the treasury will issue an order making the Columbia river headquarters for the U. S. revenue cutter Corwin.

LAND PATENTS.—Mr. Gordon has asked for copies of all correspondence between the provincial government of British Columbia, or any member thereof, the agent of the Dominion in British Columbia, and of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway company and the department of the interior, with reference to the issue of patents to claimants of land within the railway reserve on Vancouver land.

A BOAT RACE will take place on the 8th inst., over the usual course, for stakes of $100. The crews will be composed as follows: T. Deasy, P. Deasy, J. Manson, C. Smith; and H. Tiedeman, M. Law, H. Cameron and D. Lelièvre.

GOULD AGAIN DENOUNCED.

A Blood-Curdling Address Issued by the Knights of Brooklyn.

The Millionaire a Thief and Murderer.

An address was made public in New York on Thursday by a committee headed by John G. Caville, General Auditor of the Knights of Labor. It was issued by the Spread-the-Light Club, of Brooklyn, and is addressed "To the American People." It says in substance:

The treacherous villain (Jay Gould) renounces his agreement and attempted to befool the men who held out the olive branch to him. The consequence of Gould's treachery has been riot and disaster, brought on by his armed thugs and minions. Before the bar of American public opinion we impeach and indict him! We charge him with treason and high crimes against humanity! He has trampled upon every just principle and every ennobling sentiment. He has trampled upon law, debauched legislatures, corrupted the judiciary, and defied executive authority. He has crushed the manhood out of men, blighted womanhood and "stolen the laughter from the faces of innocent children." He has been false to his country, false to his fellowmen and false to his God; his crimes "strike Heaven in the face." He is an Ishmaelite with his

HAND RAISED AGAINST EVERY MAN.

He has sent thousands of toilers to pauper graves and driven innumerable business men to bankruptcy and even to suicide. The pall he threw over this land on Black Friday still flaunts in the face of men whom he reduced to beggary. He has halted at no crime against the public, no treason has been too black for him, no villany too base. His trail on this earth is marked by dishonor, injustice, corruption, perjury, bankruptcy, hunger, despair, suicide and murder. He has laughed at mercy, spurned justice and defied God in his insatiable greed for wealth. Upon Jay Gould's shoulders rests the responsibility, for the recent scenes of violence which have appalled the States of Illinois, Missouri and Texas. Upon his shoulders rests the responsibility for the flames which have reddened the Western skies, and upon

HIS THRICE ACCURSED HEAD

rests the responsibility for the atrocious murders of the five innocent residents of East St. Louis who were shot down in cold blood by his minions.

Fellow countrymen, how long is this arch-fiend Gould to ride roughshod over this land of ours? Are these scenes of carnage, riot, flame and murder to continue to the malice of Gould? Are we add to his ill-gotten wealth? Are his stock-jobbing schemes paramount to the peace and welfare of this country? Are innocent men and women to be murdered so that this pariah may preserve the results of his piracies?

Is Jay Gould's property to be preserved at the cost of human life? Property has its rights, but is man to be sacrificed that property may exist? We appeal to justice-loving, generous men and whom to stand by the Knights of Labor who are defending their lives and homes against the attacks of this destroying Moloch, Jay Gould. We ask you to sustain them financially.

To the men who are so gallantly battling this human monster, we say be cool, be firm, be manly, remain inflexible;

HOLD OUT FOR YOUR RIGHTS

avoid violence and do not overstep the law. And while we advise you to hold human life at its true value, see that no crime against you or your colleagues remains unpunished for even an hour. Ten millions of toilers are at your back. You have the manly, generous, hearty sympathy of all true Americans.

To organized labor everywhere we say: You owe a duty to the men who are resisting Jay Gould, who, not satisfied with refusing their reasonable requests, has declared that he will destroy the order of the Knights. Can he do it?

Arouse, ye freemen! ye sons of toil ye Knights of Labor! Freedom, prosperity, and free institutions demand the defeat and downfall of Jay Gould, the arch-enemy of mankind!

THE DISASTER TO THE OREGON.

Sunk by Schooner Charles H. Morse—Her Crew of Nine Men Drowned.

Shipping men of New York city are now certain that it was the three-masted schooner Charles H. Morse, of 538 tons, built in Bath in 1880, which struck the Oregon that fatal blow, and soon after went down herself with all on board. The Morse is the only vessel not heard from of a fleet of seventy schooners which sailed on March 11th from Hampton Roads, and every other craft likely to have been near the scene of the collision has been accounted for.

On board the Morse were nine men, all of whom were Americans. Of these the names of five are known, as follows: A. E. Manson, Jr., A. P. Wildes, Ed. McMahon, Mr. Holland and Mr. Blaisdell. In addition to these five there were four men whose names are unknown, all of whom lived in Maine. The officers of the Oregon said that they saw no side lights on the schooner. This is commonly said by officers of ships that have been in collision. The Morse was fitted with the best of light and all modern appliances for securing her safety and that of her crew. It is unjust to the memory of these men to say that they were asleep at their posts or negligent in their duty. They had the right of way, and had a right to suppose that the steamer would keep clear of them.

Syrup of Figs.

Manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Co., San Francisco, Cal., is Nature's own true Laxative. This pleasant liquid fruit remedy may be had of Langley & Co. Sample bottles free and large