

THE CITY.

The famous Le Roi paid a dividend of \$25,000 yesterday...

LOCAL subscriptions to the national Indian famine fund yesterday were as follows...

The meeting of the British Columbia Coal, Petroleum & Mining Company...

The inland revenue collections of the port of Victoria for the month of February...

AMONG the companies of which notice of incorporation was given in the last issue...

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Rogers moved the second reading of the bill to amend the act relating to the Cariboo Gold Fields...

LEGISLATIVE NOTES. Sword's brief speech on Mr. Helmeck's resolution yesterday was an admirable effort...

The ladies of the First Presbyterian church gave a concert in the school-room last evening...

A horrible fate was that of Albert Thompson, a freeman on the tug Myrtle of Seattle...

THE COURTS OF LAW. In the Full court yesterday leave was given to the plaintiffs in the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co. vs. The Queen...

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TWO NEW FREIGHTERS.

Work Advancing Quickly on Serviceable Additions to the Shipping of the Port.

Tug "Vancouver's" Injuries More Serious Than At First Anticipated—A Loss to Portland.

There is a little rush of business at Turpie's shipyard just now, occasioned through the hurrying to completion of two good-sized freighters...

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One of the freighters building in the yard for Capt. Strongham is intended for general use and will be capable of carrying 200 tons...

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A THRIVING SECTION.

"I have been in Illecilwince since the 3rd of December last, and I can't say of Roseland at the Dirard last evening, developing some copper claims I own up there and with which am very pleased. The Horse Pains properties there are looking fine, and development work is going on at a great rate. I expect to be in Roseland in about three weeks, and though I have not been there for some time, the reports I have received show that things are going on in style. The Lardau and Sloan have a great future ahead of them, too, and in a short time we shall hear great things from there."

J. J. Baird who left for the West Coast by last night's Teese, leaves a petition behind him signed by forty of his fellow residents of San Juan and Gordon river districts. Good roads, the petition states, are necessary for the residents to be able to market their produce...

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HER MAJESTY'S.

They Should All Be Strong and Healthy.

Paine's Celery Compound Will Enable Our Women to Live As Long as Our Queen.

It Will Give Our Men Strength and Vigorous Manhood.

Sickly Canadians Can Be Made Hale, Hearty and Happy, and Worthy of Their Country.

Paine's Celery Compound Does THE GOOD WORK.

Our splendid variety of Canadian climate is unsurpassed in the world. Our men and women should be perfect examples of health, vigor and strength. Unfortunately we have so much sickness and disease in our land, but it is the fault of the people, not the land they inhabit.

To those who are sick and ailing we would say, try what wonders Paine's Celery Compound can do for you. Its marvelous health-giving virtues can make us a nation of strong and healthy people in a very short time.

Paine's Celery Compound quickly banishes nervousness, debility, dyspepsia, liver ailments, indigestion, blood diseases, rheumatism and neuralgia. It is nature's strengthener and healer. If you are not in sound health one bottle will quickly convince you of its great value and power. Paine's is the only genuine; see that you get it.

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED AT VANCOUVER. The committee appointed at the annual meeting of the Law Society on Monday to look into the matter of the holding of the appeal courts reported at an adjourned meeting yesterday afternoon. Their report was as follows, and it was unanimously adopted: "The committee appointed by this meeting to consider the suggestions contained in the resolution of the benchers, passed last February, 1897, have to report: "That, after discussing the matter, they arrived at the conclusion that the following scheme would meet the convenience of all concerned: "1. The Full court, (not less than three) to sit at Victoria for the hearing of interlocutory and final appeals, on the first of every month, except during the vacation months and the months of May and October. "2. A Full court of two judges to sit at Vancouver, for hearing interlocutory appeals in cases commenced by writ of summons issued out of Vancouver or Westminster registry, also appeals in County courts of Westminster and Vancouver, such court to sit five days prior to sittings of Full court at Victoria. "3. Circuits to be arranged in such a way that all judges can attend at the Full court at Victoria, that no judge shall be absent from his place of residence for a greater period than three weeks. As far as consistent with this, assizes should be arranged so as to enable counsel to attend as many courts as possible. But the committee think that assizes might be held at Nanaimo and Victoria concurrently with those at Vancouver and Westminster. "4. To carry out the scheme proposed, and to permit of a sitting of a Full court being held before the judges proceed up country in September, the long vacation should run from the 1st of July to the 31st of August. "5. With regard to the order of hearing cases in Full court, the committee would recommend that some arrangements by which non-resident counsel can hear the time (approximately) when their case is to be heard, be adopted. The committee feel that a very great deal could be done in this respect, at little or no expense. "6. If the rules were amended so as to compel appeals to be set down some five or six days before the days appointed for the hearing of the appeal, it would be possible for the registrar to divide the work so as to give precedence to non-resident counsel. "7. The time for bringing final appeals on to be heard should be four (4) months. "8. A resolution was passed expressing regret at the illness of Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C., the treasurer of the Law Society, and some other matters concerning the carrying on of the executive business of the society were discussed, the meeting adjourning shortly after six o'clock.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—There have been many recent cases of expulsion of American citizens from the Reichland, and in every instance the U.S. embassy has been powerless to effect a revocation of the order of expulsion, as the Reichland is not included in the treaty of 1868 with the North German federation. Some of the cases of expulsion are deserving of sympathy and special consideration. For instance, a youth named Hans Ouirand, of Colmar, was visiting his dying parents when he was turned out of the house and escorted to the frontier by the police. Ouirand is a naturalized American, residing at Worcester, Mass.

If the system is fortified by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which makes rich, red blood, there is little danger of stroke.

If you once try our Little Liver Pills or our Kidney Pills, you will be convinced that you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable, small and easy to take. Don't forget this.

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THE ORPHANS' FRIENDS.

A meeting of the ladies' committee of the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Cook, when the business of the day was transacted. The first item on the agenda was the election of the following officers: Mrs. J. Hutcheon, president; Mrs. G. A. Sarrison, secretary; Mrs. Kent and Mrs. L. F. Page, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Croxton, Mr. Horokoshi, Mr. and Mrs. O. Dunderdonk, J. A. Volko, F. W. Page, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Rev. Victor Renina, Rev. Mr. Foster, Mr. Dubois, wife and family, Mrs. Kawa, Mr. Kawa, and family, carried full cargo of miscellaneous freight.

PORTLAND IDEAS SERVICE.

F. C. Davidge & Co., of this city, operating the line of steamers between Portland and the Orient, make the following statement that after the next trip out the boats will not touch at Honolulu. Portland will, in that case, be deprived of the much cherished connection with the Sandwich Islands by direct route. Steamer freight to Honolulu will have to pass through either San Francisco or Victoria, and bear the additional charges incident to the round about course and increased distance. That such has been deemed necessary by Messrs. Davidge & Co. is a source of much regret among shippers, and all interested in building up this port.—Portland Oregonian.

OFF FOR ALASKA.

Nearly one hundred passengers were aboard the Topeka when she sailed for Alaska yesterday. Several embarked here, but they did not include Captain Moore, the Canadian mail carrier for the Yukon country. The captain expected to leave, but not having received the necessary instructions from Ottawa, was obliged to stay over. His contract with the government for mail carrying, which expired with the completion of his last trip, is, however, expected to be renewed before the steamer's return. There was an unusual canine show aboard, there being for every spectator whose destination was the Yukon from one to three and four big furry dogs, intended for the sled.

SALMON CARRIERS AT HOME.

News has been received of the arrival at Liverpool, on the 18th of last month, of the Danish bark Tercera, which sailed from the British salmon laden, on October 9. The British bark Emblem, another of the salmon fleet, which sailed from this port only a few days later, reached Liverpool but two days behind the Tercera.

The customs returns from the port of Victoria for the month of February are as follows: Duties collected \$38,843.46; Other revenues 9,238.51; Total \$48,071.97.

Imports, dutiable \$112,178.00; free 25,587.00; Total \$137,765.00.

Exports—Canadian produce \$ 29,318.00; other 9,201.00; Total \$38,519.00.

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HOSPITAL AFFAIRS.

The monthly meeting of the directors of the Jubilee hospital, which was held last night, when the secretary reported that he had collected \$45 insurance for damages caused by a fire in the laundry. He also reported that the amount of \$300 on sold clothing.

Mr. J. S. Yates reported that he, as a committee of one appointed at the last meeting, had interviewed the ladies of the Agenorion society, who had promised to lay aside sufficient money to secure a sterilizer, thereby enabling the board to use one more room for pay patients. The Agenorion Society had requested Mr. Yates to inquire into the cost of an installation of electric light for the hospital, as the present mode of lighting by lamps was inadequate and inconvenient.

In reference to this, a communication from George C. Hinton & Co. was produced by the secretary, the lighting by electricity of the hospital. Messrs. Yates and Brown were appointed a committee to inquire into the matter.

The pay roll for February, amounting to \$675.20, was reported by the secretary, and he also reported that the fund for the hospital is available.

Messrs. Byrne and Crimp were appointed a committee to make arrangements to provide better means to cope with a fire at the hospital, and also to make arrangements for a portion of the hospital servants to go through a fire drill under the supervision of the chief of the fire department.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Agenorion Society for their gifts to the hospital, and the meeting then adjourned. The hospital committee for the ensuing month is: Messrs. Braverman, Braden, Crimp and Wilson.

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Fifty Years Ago.

This is the stamp that the letter bore which carried the story far and wide, of certain cure for the lathism sore.

That bubbled up from the tainted tide of the blood below. And 'twas Ayer's name that was the only name that was known. That was just beginning its fight of fame. With its cure of 50 years ago.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

is the original sarsaparilla. It has behind it a record for cures, unequalled by any blood purifying compound. It is the only sarsaparilla honored by a medal at the World's Fair of 1893. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record.

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THE WHEEL.

TONY DELMAS VICTOR. In view of the consistent good play shown by Mr. Foulkes during the last two years, a movement was started after the Victoria tournament to send him to the United States to compete at the international tournament held at Niagara-on-the-Lake. As this would entail a heavy expense, a fund of \$100, thanks to the efforts of a few enthusiasts, was raised.

The match for the championship of the Pacific Northwest, Mr. Foulkes lost to Mr. G. H. Hurd, who won in two batches, at the discretion of the medical attendant.

THE RING.