

VANCOUVER'S BUDGET.

Rev. Mr. Ford Succumbs to His Injuries Breaking Ground for Van Anda Smelter.

Bark Seminoe Sold by the Sheriff - The Farmers and Cheap Loans.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancover, Jan. 25.-Rev. Mr. Ford, formerly of this city, who fell beneath a moving train at Albert Canyon, died of his injuries at the Revelstoke hospital this morning. Mr. Ford was about 28 years of age. He came to Vancouver from Dover, England, about ten years ago and worked with Mr. Trythall, printer and lithographer, as an apprentice, afterwards studying for the ministry. On being ordained he accepted the position of curate of St. James Episcopal church and left that position to accept a call to the curacy of the Episcopal church at Revelstoke.

Ground is to be broken on Tuesday for the smelter at Van Anda. The capacity will be 50 tons per day. The machinery is already on the spot. This kind is to be in charge.

The bark Seminoe was sold today in front of the court house for \$2,500, the purchaser being J. B. Macrae. She originally cost \$70,000, being built 33 years ago at Mystic, Conn. The Seminoe is well known on the Pacific and Atlantic. She was recently condemned unserviceable.

The Grupa opera company continue to be prime favorites. The "Bohemian Girl" drew another crowded house last night. The management has decided to play another night, putting on a double bill Monday.

Members of the local farmers' institute are again agitating for cheap money. They are in receipt of a letter from Finance Minister Cotton stating in effect that though the late government had arranged to provide money for farmers at a lower rate than that which could be ordinarily secured for, no applications were made for loans, showing that the need was not so urgent as was thought. At a meeting of members of the institute yesterday urged the farmers to order the matter and manifest more interest in legislation intended for their benefit.

Mayor Gardner has been elected president of the Metropolitan Club. Mr. Scott of the Westminster Board of Trade has submitted a statement regarding the fire relief fund. He states that the amount received in goods and money was \$51,790.00 and there still remains \$21,083.85.

WILLIAM IN HANOVER.

His Majesty Sulkily Avoids a Wedding Feast Because of an Unwelcome Guest.

Berlin, Jan. 28.-Emperor William's action at Hanover is regarded as being of great political significance. From a member of His Majesty's entourage who accompanied him to Hanover the following has been learned: The Emperor had accepted an invitation to attend the week the silver wedding festivities of the Duke and Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, but with chagrin that the Duke of Cumberland, the English claimant of Hanover and Brunswick, had also been invited. Thereupon he sent a strong expression of his dissatisfaction to the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, and although the Duke of Cumberland had expressed regret at his inability to attend, the Emperor remained in high dudgeon and stayed away.

There have been persistent rumors lately to the effect that the eldest son of the Duke of Cumberland might one day succeed the duke through the Emperor if he consents to abjure all claim to the throne of Hanover, demonstrate his loyalty to Prussia, and accept the position of a Prussian officer in a Prussian regiment of the guards. The Emperor, however, seems to have made his mind up to have the Emperor repudiate any intention of a rapprochement with the former Guelph dynasty, and by a proclamaion he has ordered the identification of the Prussian regiments of Hanover with the regiments of the old Hanoverian army. He has made it plain that he considers the union of Hanover and Prussia to be an unalterable fact. He thus gave the death blow to the hopes of the Guelph party.

The Emperor has now established a permanent bond between the old Hanoverian and the present Tenth army corps, which is recruited almost entirely from the province of Hanover. His Majesty is present in the Hanoverian uniforms with a helmet badge inscribed "Festivaus-Waterloo-Gohrd". It is said that the Emperor has been aware for some time past has been aware of recent utterances of the Duke of Cumberland, and has deeply wounded his self-esteem.

ROBBED AND SLAIN.

Uncle of the Piper of Dargai Found Dying Alone in Ontario Border Town.

Windsor, Jan. 28.-Special-Roderick Mackenzie, who was found dying alone yesterday, claimed to be uncle of Piper of Dargai, and to have taught the hero of Dargai Ridge to play the pipes. He had arranged to leave for Scotland this week.

The pockets of the dying man were found turned inside out and his pocket book was lying on the floor emptied of its contents. The popular theory is that Mackenzie was dragged by men who then left, intending to return later to ransack the house in search for money. They are believed to be concealed in Detroit. No trace was found of letters of credit which Mackenzie spoke of. An inquest will be held on Monday.

FLOOR GIVES WAY.

Precipitating Lumber Into Boiler Room and Killing Engineer.

Brantford, Jan. 28.-Special - The floor over the boiler room of the Verity Flour Works, containing a large quantity of green lumber, gave way today, allowing the lumber to fall into the boiler room.

Engineer Daniel Westaway was instantly killed.

Medal Competition.

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THE DOUKHOBORS.

Smallpox Not Spreading and All on Ship-board Now Being Vaccinated.

Halifax, Jan. 28.-Special-It is reported from Lawlor's island to-day that five of the Doukhobors who came on the Lake Superior show signs of illness since yesterday, but that the health officers cannot determine what is the matter with them. Dr. Montzambert, chief of the health staff, said he does not anticipate any more smallpox in this lot of Doukhobors.

The emigrants are still on board the Lake Ontario, where they are being vaccinated. They are not to be landed at Lawlor's island till to-morrow when buildings will be ready to receive the entire party.

Dr. McKay came up from Lawlor's island this afternoon and said the Doukhobors are all apparently in good health, there being no sign of smallpox in any more of them, and he had good hopes that there would be no further outbreak.

Winnipeg, Jan. 28.-The Doukhobors quartered in the immigrant sheds were presented with a complimentary address by leading citizens today.

NATIONAL BANK CLOSES.

No Profit in the Business and Voluntary Liquidation Announced.

New York, Jan. 28.-The Franklin National bank of this city will, it is said, probably go into voluntary liquidation about March 1. This is not through any insolvency, but, according to Director James, on account of the bank not making profits sufficiently large to warrant continued existence.

Mr. James said to-day that the bank was too small to successfully compete with the other banks in its immediate vicinity. He added that the bank was in good financial condition.

This action of the Franklin bank was not unexpected in banking circles of this city. Mr. E. H. Roberts, now treasurer of the United States, was president of the bank until his appointment to Washington. Last Monday's statement to the clearing house showed capital of \$200,000, net deposits of \$469,000, and deposits with the clearing house of \$180,000, leaving a surplus of \$492,000, specie and legal tender holdings \$508,000.

PANIC IN A THEATRE.

Picture Machine Takes Fire and Mad Rush for the Doors Ensues.

Seneca Falls, N. Y., Jan. 28.-During the progress of a waragrap entertainment in the Johnson opera house here to-night, the machine took fire and was completely destroyed. In an instant the hall was filled with flames and smoke, and a wild rush for the doors, and women and children were trampled under foot. No lives were lost, but many were injured.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.

Rome, Jan. 28.-Archbishop Ireland, the American prelate, who arrived here yesterday, will forthwith be received by the Pope.

AMERICANS A HARD LOT.

So Writes Manila Correspondent of a Spanish Newspaper - Jealousy Between Officers.

Barcelona, Jan. 28.-The Manila correspondent of the Diet says he has discovered that the relations between Major General O'R and Rear Admiral Dewey are most strained owing to the profound rivalry which exists between the land and sea forces of the United States in the islands.

The administrative morality of the American army is the subject of the correspondence below par. The gambling halls of Manila are taxed \$1,200 each and the police are highwaymen who make arbitrary arrests and demand from \$10 to \$20 for the release of the prisoners.

The correspondent further declares that the Americans have monopolized all the trade and swamped the markets with their products, rendering European competition impossible. As an instance of this he gives the case of California wines sold in Manila as genuine Bordeaux.

FLAG FOR THE POLE.

Its Principle Bearer Vows to Place the Standard or Never Return.

London, Jan. 28.-There is much interest in the Duke of Abruzzi's North Pole expedition. Before his departure from Rome, Queen Margherita, his aunt, presented him with an Italian flag embroidered by her own hands with the words, "Always Forward Savor," a motto identified with the family.

In receiving the gift the Prince said: "This flag shall wave over the North Pole, or I shall not return." The Queen had difficulty in suppressing her emotion and pressed his hand, exclaiming: "You will return, Luigi; you will return."

TRAIL MAN ELECTROCUTED.

Horrible Fate of Master Mechanic Boyden of the Smelter.

Trail, B.C., Jan. 30.-J. E. Boyden, master mechanic at the Trail smelter, was instantly killed this afternoon by a shock received while making some repairs to the switch board in connection with the electrical plant. The unfortunate man was on his knees under the switchboard and struck his head against it. Boyden came here from Seattle.

WAXING COTTON DYES.

Special Fast Diamond Dyes for Cotton That Will Not Wash Out in Soapsuds.

It is absolutely impossible to get fast and satisfactory color on cotton from the usual dyes as used for woolen goods, and for that reason Diamond Dyes have been specially prepared line of fast colors for cotton that will give perfect satisfaction. If you want to color cotton and mixed goods be sure to get the fast Diamond Dyes, as they will give colors that will not fade even by washing in strong soapsuds or exposure to sunlight. If any dealer tries to sell you the same dye or other color as used for woolen goods, do not accept it, as such dyes are really gotten up with these ends in view, will ruin the material on which they are used.

There are some fifty different kinds of Diamond Dyes, so that you can get any shade that you wish. By using them in different strengths any desired shade can be made, and all the fashionable colors are readily gotten up with these ends in view. To get a fast, rich, full black, use one of our three different kinds for wool. These cotton and mixed goods, and for silk and feathers. These colors are fast and cannot be distinguished from new goods, and are used for all purposes, whether for home use, with very simple directions, so that it is but little trouble or work to get the best results. Write for a copy of our color card, as early as possible, and to complete the present check building in such manner as may be necessary for school purposes immediately. The following trustees were nominated: Mrs. A. E. Forbes, James Raper and C. A. Melville, unanimously.

BEHURON IN THE UNION.

First Lord of Treasury Welcomes End of Century of Unhappy Disce d.

A Permanent Change in Relationship of Great English Speaking Nations.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 30.-Mr. Arthur James Balfour, first lord of the treasury and leader of the ministerials in the House of Commons, delivered his annual address this evening to his constituents at Manchester. After speaking of the intrinsic difficulty which Continental nations, in well understood. Need I say Britain's place, he continued as follows: "But there is surely one great country which by community of language, religion and blood origin, and even institutions, is well understood. Need I say that the country to which I refer is the United States?"

"Some foreign critics, cynical by profession, have been training, hold the friendship now happily subsisting between the English-speaking peoples on both sides of the Atlantic is but the growth of the moment, and depends upon a transitory community of interests. They affect to believe that when this dissolves the relations will be again naturally felt at this moment in Great Britain toward America would vanish like the leaves in autumn."

"According to my observations," said Mr. Balfour, "the world of cynics is always wrong. I believe the cynics wrong in this case. If our good relations really depended upon those fortuitous circumstances, while the latter might be the foundation of an alliance, they could not be the foundation of what is infinitely more important. It is that species of friendship which, in season and out of season, is strong and good, and is not to be shaken by mere circumstances."

It was in this hall in 1896 that I first spoke of international relations between the United States and England. In those dark days of the Venezuelan controversy, when public feeling in America had been aroused by the wholly unfounded suspicion that we had sought to acquire an empire in South America, and when by natural reaction we felt that our brethren on the other side of the Atlantic had not understood us, I treated us with knowledge and firmness. I then expressed my firm faith that the time would come when all speaking the English language and sharing the Anglo-Saxon civilization would be united with a sympathy which no mere political considerations could permanently divide.

"I felt, then, though I spoke my firmest conviction, that I must impress my mind upon the people of this country, as an idealist, or as a prophet only hoping for what he himself could hardly expect to be realized. But the three years that have passed since then have not altered the relations between the two countries—a change which I believe is not destined to occur. It is a change which is a change which, once made, is a change that ought to be permanent, for it is a change which will bring about a mutual comprehension, and the mutual belief that each great and free community desires to see the principles of justice extended far and wide to all continents and among all nations."

"And if I am right, and more common sense will be implanted in the breasts of these two great nations, there cannot be a greater guarantee for future peace and progress, and the world will not only in this or that country of community alone, but of the whole human race."

TELEGRAPHERS WIN.

Grand Truck Operators Secure Fixed Schedule and Payment for Over-time.

Toronto, Jan. 30.-The arbitrators in connection with the Grand Truck railway and the railroad telegraphers and agents concluded their labors on Saturday and have handed out their report.

After hearing both sides fully stated their case, the arbitrators, Messrs. B. B. Oster, Q.C., and Mr. F. S. Sargent of Peoria, Ill., have agreed upon a set of rules which give the telegraphers the right to demand overtime under all ordinary conditions, and also for the first time grant to G.T.R. operators a fixed schedule of wages.

EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY.

"The Young Kaiser" Forty Years Old and Duly Celebrates the Event.

Berlin, Jan. 27.-The Emperor William this morning received the birthday congratulations of his family and household, and after a special service in the chapel of the castle, he held a reception in the White Hall. He was born in Berlin on January 27, 1859.

Before the services His Majesty received the German sovereigns and princes who had arrived in Berlin for the occasion, and the other princes and princesses of the royal family. After the reception the Emperor proceeded to the arsenal to give the pass-words to the garrison.

The birthday honors include Duke Albert of Wurttemberg, order of the Black Eagle; Baron von Koller, governor of Schleswig-Holstein, grand cross of the Red Eagle; Prince Ernestenberg, Red Eagle; the Queens of Saxony and Württemberg, and Prince Hohenzollern, Red Cross medals.

To be entirely relieved of the aches and pains of rheumatism means a great deal, and Hood's Sarsaparilla does it.

A CHARGING COLLIER.

Has many admirers but no belle of the ball was ever more fascinating than our large display of Up-to-Date FURNITURE, RICH CARPETS and RUGS, HANDSOME CURTAINS, BEAUTIFUL CHINA, GLASSWARE, SILVERWARE,



WEILER BROS., VICTORIA, B. C.

FRD. HUME SAYS THIS

If Mr. Turner Had Had Fair Treatment He Might Have Been Premier To-Day.

Mr. Deane Has Slim Chance of Election to Seat Lent Him by the House.

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Vancover, Jan. 30.-Hon. J. Fred Hume, provincial secretary and minister for mines, was in the city yesterday, on his way to Nelson to stand for reelection, so that the reputed early succession of Mr. Higgins or other Victorian to his place in the cabinet would appear to be premature so far as Mr. Hume's intention to create a vacancy is concerned. He had not heard what had been determined as to any opposition candidate in Nelson. Mr. Hume is given to saying that he thinks without much regard to the hearing of the facts stated upon the political situation, and an interview with him is therefore generally interesting. The Colonist representative found this occasion no exception.

Asked as to the Victoria contest, Mr. Hume admitted that the government did not hope to carry more than one seat, saying that they based their hopes on the influence exerted by Mr. Joseph Martin, who could "work things" in Victoria better than could Mr. Cotton, on account of the more intimate connection of the latter with Vancouver. Mr. Hume said he had no feeling of sectionalism himself as between the two cities, but from his observations there certainly was such a feeling in Vancouver as well as Victoria. He thought the government would win in North East Kootenay as well as a seat in Victoria, and thus secure a working majority.

Regarding the dismissal of the Turner ministry the Provincial Secretary said that his own opinion was that Mr. Turner should have been given an opportunity to meet the legislature, and he was quite prepared to admit that if he had had this chance Mr. Turner might have been in power to-day.

Asked as to the suggested introduction of Dominion party lines into provincial politics, Mr. Hume said he thought this would certainly be done at the next general election, though it was not the case at the Victoria by-election, for which reason he was sorry to see that only Liberals had been placed upon the government ticket there. It looked to him as if Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper aims to be the next Conservative premier of British Columbia, while Hon. Joseph Martin is shaping his plans to lead a Liberal government.

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Dismissal of the City Engineer Forms One of the Chief Topics of Talk.

Seattle Sends a Request That the Placer Mining Amendment Be Modified.

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Ottawa, Jan. 30.-The lieutenant-governorship of Prince Edward Island has become vacant next month, when Mr. Howland's term of office expires. Dan Davies, uncle of the minister of marine, will likely be appointed to the position.

WEST COAST STREWN IN PLACES WITH WRECKAGE OF SOME UNKNOWN VESSEL.

At different points on the West Coast wreckage is strewn. Large quantities of it were found in the little bay just this side of Cape Beale and at Quatsino the stern ends of a vessel with a miscellaneous assortment of ships' provisions and broken timber have been washed ashore.

The latter is reported by Indians but in confirmation of a report Capt. Hughes of the steamer Quatsino City, which returned to port from her regular coast-trip on Sunday, was shown a board on which the name of the wreck had been appeared. Only traces of letters are now visible and the best Capt. Hughes could make out of it was a foreign name which he could not give or even describe.

Indians, the wreck is that of a large wooden vessel, the stern of which shows evidence internally of having been painted green and decorated with a dirty blue. Possibly there is something among the wreckage that would lead to the identity of the vessel. However, whatever the craft may be, Capt. Hughes has satisfied himself that the wreckage belongs to the steamer Pioneer. On the beach south of Quatsino a life buoy and a box of tobacco were found, bearing the words S.S. Proteus. This having belonged to the schooner of that name wrecked some weeks ago off the Columbia river. The wreckage found near Cape Beale is mostly fresh lumber.

The Queen City brings still another story from the West Coast—that of the robbery of Estimote Major at Victoria. A trunk containing a quantity of postage stamps and some office belongings were stolen week ago last Friday and no trace of the burglar or burglar's accomplices has been found.

The steamer also brings news of a plan laid near Cape Cormorant, which has been found in the black sand but to what extent is not mentioned. Among the passengers to arrive were G. H. Hayes from the north, and J. M. Berni the steamer brought 1,370 sacks of ore; Capt. Holmes of the steamer Willie, and the present cargo is that of the steamer William Miles, a prospector from Carleton; A. C. Grayson and wife and G. H. Hobbs.

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A New Gold Field That Promises to Rival Atlin and Attract Thousands.

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