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THE FOG ALARM
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NOW IN VICTORIAWill Be Installed Within Two Months-
Egg Island Gets Electric
Light.

(From Friday's Daily.)
John Montgomery, erecting engineer
of fog alarms for the Dominion, is in
the city on official business. The Fed-
eral government is determining the
adequate facilities for mariners in
foggy weather shall be provided for
this coast, and has at present under
contemplation a series of ten fog
alarms at different points, one of
which has been erected, and the erec-
tion of two more is the object of Mr.
Montgomery's present visit. He will
first inspect that already installed on
Leonard Island, at the entrance of
Clayquot Sound and afterwards sur-
vey the erection of those at Egg
and Trial Islands.

The Leonard Island alarm, which is
scheduled for five second blasts, with
twenty-five second intervals, has been
proved of great assistance to naviga-
tion, but some minor troubles have
arisen which it is Mr. Montgomery's
mission to have removed. He will
leave on the Queen City about May
15, returning about a fortnight later.

Immediately upon his reaching Vic-
toria he will proceed on D. G. S. Quadra
to Egg Island, an important station in
Queen Charlotte Sound, and the point
of junction of the outer and inner
routes to the northern coast, and
Alaska. The alarm at this point will
be of the most modern construction,
a gasoline engine furnishing motive
power. It has been decided that this
will sound a blast for seven seconds
each minute. A unique feature of
this alarm will be the installation of
an electric plant, run by the same en-
gine as the alarm, which will be used
to illuminate the various rooms on the
lighthouse. The light, which is a re-
volving one of six large lamps, will
continue to burn coal oil.

The most important news of the
city, however, is the fact that not only
the light at Trial Island will be erec-
ted, but the fog alarm will be in work-
ing order by July 1st at the latest. The
machinery for the latter has been de-
signed, and will be delivered here not
later than the beginning of June. Sev-
eral radical departures have been made
in the construction of the machinery,
and all useless parts eliminated. It is
of the most up-to-date pattern, and
represents the fruits of all previous
experience in this line. The actual en-
gine to be delivered at Trial Island has
not yet been decided upon. Mr. Mont-
gomery will, however, leave Victoria
immediately on his return from Egg
Island completing same by the date
mentioned.

Although after work at Trial Island
is finished Mr. Montgomery will leave
for Halifax, N. S., to install an alarm
there he will return in the fall when
further work of this character will be
done on this coast. Details of this
work are not yet decided upon, and
cannot be until the appropriations for
1906-07 have passed the Dominion par-
liament.

JOURNALISTS TO TOUR WEST.

Another Excursion Is Being Arranged
By Secretary of Immigration
Association.

"Theodore M. Knappen, secretary of
the Western Canadian Immigration
Association, with headquarters in Min-
neapolis, arrived in town yesterday in
order to make preliminary arrange-
ments for the holding of an excursion
into Western Canada of prominent
United States journalists," says Fri-
day's Montreal Herald.

"The most important excursion which
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The result of the conference between
the committee of the Victoria Develop-
ment and Tourist Association and
others concerned in the establishment
of swimming resorts will be awaited
with some interest.

COAL BUNKERS INTACT.

Superintendent Stockett, of Western
Fuel Co., Received Definite Infor-
mation From J. L. Howard.
The following dispatch was received
on Friday by Superintendent Stockett,
of Western Fuel Company at Nel-
son, from Manager Howard at San
Francisco:

"Offices destroyed. Coal bunkers and
all other property intact."
Mr. Stockett states that he believes
the delay in the collars returning from
San Francisco is because coal being an
import must be unloaded in the pres-
ence of a customs officer, and of course
the fire has interfered with unloading.
He, however, expects that a ship will
be in to load on Sunday, or Monday
at latest, and does not anticipate any
further delay in the work of the mines.

THE BEAUTIFYING
OF VICTORIA CITYBEFORE MEMBERS OF
THE CIVIC COMMITTEEOf Local Tourist and Development As-
sociation—Many Matters Will Be
Investigated.

An enthusiastic meeting of the civic
committee of the Victoria Development
& Tourist Association was held at the
rooms, Fort street, Thursday, when
a number of matters of importance
were discussed. The improvement
to the numerous beautiful scenic drives
in the vicinity of Victoria, the boule-
varding of the principal thoroughfares,
the placing of seats for the conveni-
ence of visitors upon the grounds sur-
rounding the parliament buildings, and
numerous other questions of interest
were debated. Dr. Carter, the chair-
man, presided, and there was a large
attendance.

After the opening of the proceedings
the chairman made a number of sug-
gestions which were followed by
numerous others from members. With re-
spect to the improvement of the lead-
ing drives it was agreed that it was a
necessary work, and should be under-
taken with the least possible delay in
order that they would be in first-class
condition during the summer months.
A committee of six was appointed to
make investigations. Members of the
Automobile Club will be asked to as-
sist in this as they would be among
those to derive the most benefit from
the campaign it is proposed to inaugu-
rate. In fact, it is understood that
they will be invited to take the com-
mittee to those sections which in their
estimation most require repairing.

PROPOSAL MADE BY
PROMINENT CITIZEN

Salt Water Baths Near C. P. R. Hotel
Suggested—Fine Beach at Tram-
way Company's Park.

As briefly mentioned in another
column the question of summer bath-
ing resorts was discussed at the meet-
ing of the civic committee Thursday.
The chairman, Dr. Carter, rather inter-
esting suggestion during the debate,
upon which no action was taken, but
which may, if it should be considered
practical, be taken up seriously in the
future. He proposed that the water
be pumped to a reservoir placed
at a spot of considerable altitude, near
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ed with the baths by a system of pipes.
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Another committee was struck
to take and make a report upon the prac-
ticability of establishing public bat-
hrooms. It was contended that these
conveniences were much needed, and
that there was no reason why action
should not be taken as there were
many favorable localities where they
could be established. As a result
of an address delivered by Mr.
Wallace the forist at the meeting of
massed committee, he had visited his
establishment in Oak Bay, and pays
attention to its wealth of beautiful
plants and flowers. In his opinion the
Wallace gardens and others that would
be planted when the adaptability of
Victoria's soil and climate to the
business of floriculture is properly ap-
preciated would make Mr. Wallace to British
Columbia what Burbank is to Cali-
fornia. Mr. McCurdy's eulogy aroused
the curiosity of members of the com-
mittee to the extent that the presi-
dent of those present decided to visit
Mr. Wallace also. They will go there
in a body to-day.

Summer bathing was another subject
that was ventilated. It was suggested
that the bathing station now located
on Dallas road might be removed to
the Gorge without much expense where
it would be much more appreciated
than at its present site. Finally it was
decided to instruct Secretary Cut-
bert to communicate with Sir Thomas
Shaughnessy in order to ascertain what
the C. P. R. intended constructing
any baths in connection with the
new hotel. If his reply is in the neg-
ative, it is just possible that Dr. Carter's
proposition will receive further con-
sideration. Everyone present, it should
be stated, did not favor the project.
Some, however, expressed the opinion that
it was upon too elaborate a scale, and
would involve too great an expendi-
ture. It might, however, lead to other
simpler suggestions, having the same
object in view.

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GAZETTE NOTICES.

Additional Information to That Given
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dition to the notices mentioned yester-
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Creek, Cariboo district, and Andrew
John Colquhoun, of Shoal Bay, Comox
district, M. E., to be justices of the
peace in and for the province of Brit-
ish Columbia.
Lumber has already been negotiated
for in the vicinity of Victoria. It is
stated, on the most reliable authority,
that all the available stock of the Vic-
toria Lumber & Manufacturing Com-
pany, at Chemainus, will be shipped at
the earliest possible moment to the
Golden Gate. Other Victoria mills will
be probably be approached on the same
question, but it is doubtful if any or-
ders can be met as they are all working
to their full capacity.

Stone from quarries adjacent to
Vancouver Island has always been in
great demand in San Francisco, the
quarries at Newcastle Island being
owned by the Northwestern Construc-
tion Company of that city. This alone
has always been a favorite material
for construction erected with it being
the United States mint, constructed in
1870. The monster monoliths that
graced the entrance to the Call build-
ing also came from Newcastle Island.
Several hundred tons of stone are
shipped from there to California annu-
ally. Among other suitable quarries
available are those at Haddington Is-
land, from which came the material
used in the construction of the nar-
row gauge buildings here. Important con-
tracts in connection with the supply of
lumber and stone for San Francisco
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for plaintiff; W. J. Taylor, K. C., for
defendant.

Wash Ling v. Ng, Dan Shee—A. P.
Lutton, K. C., for plaintiff; G. M.
Grant, for defendant.

ODDFELLOWS CELEBRATE.

Members of Order Spent Enjoyable
Time at Their Hall Last Evening.

The eighty-seventh anniversary of
the introduction of Oddfellowship on
the continent of America was cele-
brated Thursday by members of the
order and their friends at the hall,
Douglas street. Bro. W. H. Cullen, D.
G. M., occupied the chair, and in his
opening address referred to the growth
of the order during the history of it on
this continent. He also pointed out
the advantages to be derived from
membership.

A programme was given, after which
refreshments were served. Following
this the floor was cleared for dancing
and a very enjoyable evening spent.
Music was provided throughout the
evening by the following orchestra: A.
Longfield, piano; Jesse A. Longfield
and L. Foster, violins; Mrs. Danes,
cornet; W. H. Huxtable, bass viol.
At the same time provision was made
for those who wished to play cards.

The programme given during the
evening included the following: Song,
"Bonnie Dundee," John Taylor, and in
response to an encore he sang "All's
Well"; song "Anchored" (Watson), J.
L. Gibson; recitation, "The French-
man and the Flea Powder," Alex.
Semple; song, "The Chimney Corner,"
Miss Kayton; song, "Queen of the
South," J. Gibson; violin solo, "Con-
dora Memories," a new composition by
J. A. Longfield, rendered by himself;
song, "The Indifferent Mariner," Hugh
Kennedy, and in response to an encore,
"Out on the Deep," Miss Maggie Hill.
In full Highland costume, danced the
Highland Fling, and had to respond to
an encore; song, "I Fear No Fox," W.
Hicks; song, "The Promise of Life,"
Mrs. D. E. Campbell, who, responding
to an encore, sang "Angus Macdon-
ald"; song, "The Admiral's Broom," A.
McLeod.

THE DEWEY ENTERS CANAL.

Port Said, Egypt, April 27.—The United
States dry dock Dewey, on her way to
the Philippines in tow, entered the Suez
canal to-day.