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THE FALL ASSIZES.

Mr. Justice McColl, Presiding, is Congratulated by the Members of the Bar.

Grand Jury Bring In a Finding in All But the Lawrence Case.

The members of the Bar took advantage yesterday of the opportunity afforded by Mr. Justice McColl presiding at the Assize court, to offer to him their congratulations on his elevation to the bench of the Supreme court of the province. There was quite a large gathering of barristers in wigs and gowns when at the opening of the court Mr. Justice McColl ascended the bench, accompanied by Mr. Justice Walkem and by Judge Harrison, of the County court. After the judges had taken their seats the members of the Bar remained standing while Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., as their spokesman, voiced their congratulations to the new judge in the following terms:

"On behalf of the Bar of British Columbia I extend to Your Lordship their hearty congratulations upon your elevation to the honorable position you now occupy, and for which, if I may be allowed to say so, your conduct and position as a practising counsel before this court have shown you to be eminently fitted. We should have been pleased to have welcomed Your Lordship after taking your oath of office, but your natural modesty prevented our performing that pleasing duty, which the profession always looks upon as its privilege."

Mr. Justice McColl, in thanking the bar for their kindly recognition of his appointment, said that the thought uppermost in his mind at seeing so many of the members of the bar present was, how necessary it was for the proper carrying out of justice that a sympathetic feeling should exist between bar and bench—a feeling that he knew now existed and which he trusted would always be maintained.

Mr. Justice Walkem then rose and expressed the pleasure he felt at welcoming Mr. Justice McColl as a colleague. Mr. Justice McColl, he was sure, would fill his position on the bench with honor and credit. In conclusion he heartily congratulated the new judge and wished him a long term of office.

Judge Harrison, of the County court, added his congratulations, and referred with pleasure to the fact that in the appointment of judges in British Columbia the principle was to select them from among the bar of the province.

The ceremony being over Mr. Justice Walkem retired and the business of the assize proceeded, Mr. Thornton Fell appearing on behalf of the Crown.

The grand jury sworn in were: Hon. B. W. Pearse (chairman), James Angus, Charles H. Cameron, Adam Glendinning, John Hall, E. A. Harris, James Hastings, H. A. Macaulay, W. J. Ledingham, Robert Mason, A. Robertson, B. S. Oddy, P. J. A. Schwengers, G. H. Seelig, H. Short, E. J. Wall, and J. Keith Wilson.

In addressing the grand jury, Mr. Justice McColl regretted that the Chief Justice, who had intended to preside, had been obliged to abandon the idea as owing to his recent illness his physician had forbidden him to take the assizes. Touching briefly on the docket, the Court noted with satisfaction that there was not one case of offence against the person. He then briefly mentioned the various offences charged in the indictments; these were: Grimm, illegal voting; Endean, larceny; Sylvester and Lawry, housebreaking; Wallis, false pretences and escaping from custody; McChief, larceny; Talliard, theft and false pretences; and Lawrence, false pretences.

Having done this, the Court remarked that the Chief Justice had intended to have brought before the grand jury the subject of the Point Ellice bridge. While he had not been requested to do so, Mr. Justice McColl took it upon himself to give to the grand jury the remarks upon the subject that the Chief Justice had intended to have made, and had prepared before knowing that he would not be able to preside at the assize. He, Mr. Justice McColl, while not having been a resident of Victoria, and therefore not being as conversant with the subject as he would had that been the case, quite agreed with the Chief Justice that the matter was of such importance that the Grand Jury, if they thought proper, might make any presentment they thought proper upon it. He would read the Chief Justice's remarks, and all he could add was that he would ask the Grand Jury in coming to a decision to be guided by the same discretion as they in their high and independent position bestowed on the other business brought before them. The Court then proceeded to read the remarks of the Chief Justice which appear in another column.

While the Grand Jury were out considering the indictments presented to them, Mr. Herbert E. A. Robertson asked the Court to excuse from attendance Charles F. Jenkins, who had been summoned as a petit juror but had not answered to his name. Mr. Robertson showed by affidavit that Jenkins was employed in repairing a bridge on the E. & N., and that as the work was urgent he had asked to be excused.

The Court replied that no such excuse could be taken and Mr. Jenkins would have to attend. However the Court would take no action to-day.

The grand jury brought in findings as follows:

TRUE BILLS.

Wallis—False pretences.
Wallis—Escaping custody.
McChief—Theft.
Grimm—Illegal voting.
Talliard—False pretences.
Talliard—Theft.
Endean—Larceny.

NO BILL.

Sylvester and Lawry—housebreaking.

The grand jury have not yet reached a decision in the Lawrence case.

To facilitate matters a second trial court was held yesterday in the chambers courtroom, Judge Harrison presiding and Mr. Robert Cassidy representing the Crown.

The first case to be tried before Mr. Justice McColl was that of William Grimm, charged with illegal voting at the last Dominion election. Mr. Grimm, when put in the box, admitted that he had voted once at the Willows and once at the city hall, but said he had erred through ignorance, as his name was twice on the list and he had thought it was the same as at municipal elections, where some persons might have votes in two or more wards. Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, Q. C., appeared for the defence, and some amusement was caused over his cross-examination of F. G. Richards, a witness for the prosecution. The witness said he had not been paid for work during the election, but had been paid for working on the rolls. He did not know how much he was paid, but he had been paid by Mr. H. A. Munn and Mr. George Riley.

The jury brought in a verdict of guilty with a recommendation to mercy, and the court imposed a fine of $25 on Mr. Grimm.

Before Judge Harrison, the first case heard was that of the Messrs. Young, who at last assizes had an indictment brought against them for maintaining a nuisance dangerous to health on the Saanich road, in the shape of a pig pen. The case was only partly heard last night, Mr. F. B. Gregory appearing for the defence.

The Endean case had not been finished last night when the court adjourned until ten o'clock this morning. Mr. S. Perry Mills appeared for the defendant.

At the assizes yesterday three cases were concluded and to-day it is expected that the Talliard trial will open. The grand jury brought in a true bill against J. A. Lawrence for obtaining money under false pretences, having thus completed the list of indictments laid before them, and unless something turns up in the meantime their duties are finished, with the exception of the presentment.

The case against the Messrs. Young for maintaing a nuisance dangerous to public health was finished and a verdict returned of guilty, Judge Harrison suspended judgment till Saturday at 11 o'clock to give the defendants an opportunity to remove the nuisance complained of—a pig pen on the Saanich road.

The Endean case, in which the accused was charged with failing to account for $50 which he had collected for William Powell, was also concluded, the verdict being that of guilty with a recommendation to mercy. Mr. Justice McColl reserved judgment.

On the charge of escaping custody, William Wallis pleaded guilty, entering a plea of not guilty, however, on the indictment charging him with obtaining money under false pretences. The trial was held before Mr. Justice McColl, Mr. Thornton Fell appearing for the Crown and Mr. Frank Higgins defending. The evidence went to show that Wallis had sold to A. A. Aaronson a pianette purchased from T. W. Fletcher on an agreement under the instalment plan, by which the instrument was to remain the property of Fletcher until all the instalments were paid. Wallis had not paid all the instalments when he sold the instrument, bnt the agreement not being registered was void as against subsequent purchasers. Wallis was found guilty, but with a strong recommendation to mercy. Before sentence was passed Wallis stated that he had not intended to wrong anyone, and as Mr. Fletcher was a friend of his had felt that he would not be pressed for the unpaid instalments. Mr. Justice McColl taking into consideration the recommendation of the jury, sentenced Wallis to one month's imprisonment without hard labor, on each count, the sentences to run concurrently and to date from the day of arrest.

The assize will be continued to-day at 10 o'clock.

THE "COQUITLAM" FREE

News which will be very welcome to a number of Victorians, and especially to the sealers, was contained in a very brief telegram from Seattle, received by Mr. A. L. Belyea yesterday. The telegram was short but to the point, and stated:

"The court of appeals at San Francisco has reversed the Coquitlam case and dismissed the libel."

The steamer Coquitlam was seized, it will be remembered, in 1892, by the United States, for an alleged breach of the customs laws in receiving cargo from other vessels within a marine league of Alaska. The schooners Winnifred and Henrietta were prosecuted about the same time for the same charge. The cases were heard in the U.S. District court at Alaska, and vessels and cargo were condemned. The Coquitlam was released on bonds being given for over $100,000, and an appeal was taken in her case to the Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco. Argument was heard there on the case about a year ago. Afterwards the question was raised as to the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court of Appeals of San Francisco to hear appeals from the District court of Alaska in admiralty matters. This was referred to the Supreme court of the United States at Washington, which about six months ago decided that the Circuit Court of Appeals had jurisdiction. As shown by the telegram quoted above, the judgment of the Circuit Court of Appeals handed down on Monday at San Francisco, has reversed the decision of the District Court of Alaska, and dismissed the libel against ship and cargo.

The principal persons interested in Victoria are Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., Thomas Earle and William Munsie, together with several others, owners of cargo, comprising some 6,000 fur seal skins and a quantity of merchandise. The seal skins were transferred from various sealing schooners to the Coquitlam off Afognak island and other places, and some goods had also been transferred by the Coquitlam. It was in respect of these transfers that the vessel was seized and proceeded against by the United States. Counsel for the owners of cargo in the District Court at Alaska and also in the Court of Appeals at San Francisco was Mr. E. C. Hughes of Seattle; and the solicitor for the owners here was Mr. A. L. Belyea.

The immediate effect of the decision will be to release the bonds put up by the owners of cargo, for the vessel for nearly $100,000. Claims for damages for illegal seizure will undoubtedly be made also against the United States by those interested.

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THE CITY

The Bank of British Columbia has opened a branch at Sandon.

The new Judge of Kootenay, appointed a few days ago by order in council, is a native of Belleville, Ontario, son of Mr. J. Forin, architect, and brother-in-law to Rev. Dr. Campbell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

Yesterday the funeral of the late William Craft took place the attendance, which was large, including the members of the Pioneer Society and Columbia lodge, I.O.O.F. Rev. Mr. Barber conducted the services at St. Saviour's church and at the grave side, the pallbearers being Messrs. Joseph York, C. W. Jenkinson, Fred. Norris, Fred. Davey, T. J. Partridge, Frank Page, James Andrews and G. Elery.

The Colonist's Ottawa dispatches this morning announce the promotion of Major Townley, of Vancouver, and Major Gregory, of this city, to be lieutenant-colonels. These changes are in conformity with the new establishment, which divides the Fifth Regiments into two battalions. Both officers are to be congratulated upon their new honors, and as both are popular their respective commands will be well satisfied.

Agent Blackwood, of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, received advices yesterday contradicting the reports that traffic on the main line of this road had been blockaded by floods. He says that the Tacoma and Portland branches from Seattle had for some time been interfered with, but these were the only interruptions that had retarded business. Mr. Campbell Sweeny, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Vancouver, who arrived from Spokane last evening via the N.P.R., reports having come through to this city without delay.

At the meeting of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council last evening in the Williams building a large number of the delegates from the different unions were present. The report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to draft resolutions to lay before the minister of public works this week was adopted. The same committee, consisting of Messrs. Tagg, McKay and Ditchburn, with the addition of Mr. C. R. Monck, were appointed to wait upon the minister. The resolutions will be published later. The next regular meeting of the council will be held on Monday night.

On account of the regulation made over a year ago to hold annual examinations for entrance to the high schools, it became apparent that in some instances an injustice might be done to some candidates, especially to those who were well along in their teens, by compelling them to wait for a whole year before another opportunity of taking this examination was given them, although they failed in one or two subjects only at the midsummer examination. It is understood that as a remedy the Education Department has directed that those candidates for entrance to a high school who failed at the last midsummer examination to pass the standard required in one or two subjects only, and who continued their studies after the summer vacation until the closing of the schools in December, be allowed the privilege of undergoing an oral examination before the principal of a high school in those subjects in which they failed at the annual examination.

All possible search is being made for the body of Mr. William Thompson, who was unfortunately drowned while trying to ford the Sooke river in his buggy on Monday. Yesterday Provincial Constable McKenna, assisted by one or two residents of the district, made as thorough an examination of the scene of the accident as was possible while the Sooke river is still so high. Mr. Thompson's overcoat, a horse-blanket, some books and a piece of beef that had been in the buggy were found where they had been washed into shallow water after the accident. Just above a log jam which extends from a little island near the ford to the shore, Constable McKenna saw the ends of the shafts sticking up and apparently the body of the horse is there also, still attached to the shafts by the harness, but the force of water was too strong to allow them to be raised. It is possible, too, that Mr. Thompson's body may be held by the jam, or else it may have been carried through a small passage in the logs and have floated down to Sooke harbor. Until the water goes down it will be impossible to make a proper examination at the log jam.

Y. W. C. A. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association took place last night at the rooms of the Y. M.C.A. The attendance was fairly good, considering that several other public meetings were held the same evening. Miss Carr, the president, occupied the chair, and on the platform were Mrs. R. B. McMicking, Miss Bowes, Miss Sylvester, Miss Munro, Miss J. L. Fawcet, Mrs. J. B. McKilligan, Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Rev. Dr. Wilson, and Rev. W. Leslie Clay. After devotional exercises by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, the President called for the reports of the various committees.

Miss Fawcett read the following reports: the Secretary's, Treasurer's, House Committee and Social reports. Miss Bowes read the Bible Reading Committee's report and the report of the Sewing Society, and Miss Sylvester that of the junior branch. Addresses were delivered by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Rev. Dr. Wilson and Rev. W. L. Clay. During the evening Miss Millie Carr sang "Jesu, Lover of My Soul."

The various reports presented showed the association to be in a good condition both as regards financial results and the good accomplished during the year, the association having a large and increasing membership, a growing interest in the work being evinced by increased attendance at the various meetings, while the rooms of the association were used more regularly by young women.

It was stated that cooking classes would be tried this winter as an additional feature of the association work. Mrs. J. B. McKilligan gave a very full and interesting report of the proceedings of the second Biennial conference of the Y.W.C.A. of Canada, which was held at Hamilton, Ont., on the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th of September last, and which she attended as a delegate appointed by the Y.W.C.A. of Victoria.

Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. Messrs. Cleaver and Betts. The meeting closed with the national anthem.

NEW PACIFIC LINERS.

Description of the First of the New Yusen Kaisha Maru Steamships.

Arrival of the N. P. Steamship "Olympia"—The "City of Topeka" Goes North.

In a recent number of the Shipping Gazette the following description is given of one of the new steamers now building on the Clyde for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Co. On October 22 Messrs. D. & W. Henderson & Co. launched at Partick, on the Clyde, the first of ten steamers being built in this country for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, of Japan. The vessel was named the Kanagawa Maru. Her principal dimensions are: Length over all, 463 feet; beam moulded, 49 feet 2 inches; depth moulded, 33 feet 6 inches, and tonnage about 6,000 gross. She is classed in Lloyd's as 100 A1; three deck rule; has a straight stern and eliptic bow, a poop, bridge and forecastle, and will be rigged as a four-masted, fore-and-aft schooner. The machinery will be supplied by the builders' firm and consists of two sets of triple expansion engines, each having cylinders 20 inches, 33½ inches and 56 inches in diameter, by 48-inch stroke. Steam is supplied by two large double-ended and two single-ended boilers, constructed for a working pressure of 200 pounds per square inch. The Kanagawa Maru has been built under the supervision of Mr. A. R. Brown, Glasgow, assisted by Capt. Perram and Mr. George McFarlane." The Gazette further says: "It is probable, too, that more orders will be placed shortly by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the first of ten vessels now under construction in this country for this great shipping concern having been launched by Messrs. Henderson & Co., at Patrick two days ago.

A SECOND ORIENTAL ARRIVAL.

Following close upon the heels of the Empress of China came the Northern Pacific liner Olympia from the Orient at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Like the Empress she had had a pleasant trip, sighting the Tacoma, of her own line, when three days out from Yokohama, and an unknown steamer bound west on Sunday last. The Olympia hurriedly discharged her Victoria freight—150 tons—and was away to Tacoma by noon. Her cargo is, as usual, very large, and contains among other valuables a costly shipment of silk; this, as also the bulk of the freight, being in transit to the Eastern states. Numbered among the steamer's saloon passengers were Messrs. Owen Williams and Harry Swiffin, of the United States civil service, who made the round trip on the steamer; Mr. Retz, a Kobe business man; and Lieut. Bloodilowosky, of the Russian navy, who with his wife is returning from a visit to Yokohama.

VICTORIA TO KOOTENAY.

A representative of the Colonist interviewed Dr. Milne on the projected railway to Rossland from the Coast, with connection by transfer boat and rail with Victoria. The Doctor said: "The project is progressing as fast as possible. I expect that work will begin on the Western portion—the Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley railroad—before the new year. The bonds of this company are now in the English market and shortly through our financial agents in London we hope to announce that they have been placed and rapid construction will be proceeded with at once."

"What portion does this include?"

"The portion covered by the Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley Railway extends from Vancouver via New Westminster to Chilliwack. The charter for this company was granted by the provincial government in 1891, and over $100,000 has been spent on right of way and other work connected with the company. Notice has been given that at the next meeting of the legislature we shall ask for a charter for a line to run from Chilliwack to Rossland. We have also a charter which gives us power to build a line from Liverpool, which is situated on the south side of the Fraser river opposite New Westminster, to a point in the vicinity of Point Roberts, thus traversing the rich delta of the Fraser river. By this branch immediate connection will be made with Sidney, a distance of about twenty-three miles by water, thereby making quick transportation from Victoria to New Westminster and other points on the Mainland. This branch line covers a distance of about 15 miles from New Westminster. It will therefore make ready connection with the Great Northern, now terminating at Liverpool, as well as making a new point of connection with the International, Lake Shore & Eastern at Sumas. This will bring two transcontinental roads, namely, the Great Northern and International, Lake Shore & Eastern (which means the Northern Pacific) in close proximity to Victoria.

"The Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley railway will also bring the above lines, on completion of the New Westminster bridge, into Vancouver, giving that city two more competing lines."

"What about the ferry over the Gulf?"

"We propose to inaugurate a fast line of boats between Victoria, Sidney, and Nanaimo, and the vicinity of Point Roberts, on the Mainland, so that a passenger can leave Victoria at 7 a.m. and reach New Westminster shortly after ten in the forenoon, as well as reach Rossland in the evening of the same day. Heavier transfer boats will be built by which cars will be transported from Point Roberts to Sidney and Nanaimo. These boats will be of modern type. This means the delivering of freight cars in Victoria and other points on the Island without breaking bulk."

"What about the New Westminster bridge?"

"The bridge will be built simultaneously with the railroad. The same parties who are financing the railroad have undertaken the construction of the bridge. An agreement was entered into by them and the municipality of New Westminster last September, whereby the bonds will be handled by the same financial firm in London, England. The extension of the line to Rossland will be proceeded with as soon as the charter is granted by the Government.

"How does the Dominion Government look upon the project?"

"While in Ottawa recently, I had several interviews on the subject with the Hon. Mr. Laurier, and on the arrival at Ottawa of Mr. Wilkinson, who represents the English capitalists, we placed the scheme before him, pointing out the necessity of the Dominion Government giving a liberal support to such a project, and the fact that if such was not done, the trade which rightly belongs to the coast cities would be diverted eastward. This fact the premier fully recognized, and asked that the matter be placed before himself and colleagues, which has been done, with the promise of their earnest considerations."

"What about telegraph connection?"

"We propose to have a telegraph and cable system connecting Sidney with Point Roberts, thus securing two different systems—the Great Northern and Northern Pacific telegraph connections—as well as a separate line to the east as far as Rossland. This will be of great advantage to our business men. We believe that the construction of the railroad to East Kootenay will bring the trade of that district to the coast, where it rightly belongs. It must be recognized also that in order that this large undertaking should be carried out the assistance of both the local and Dominion governments is needed. Therefore it behooves us, as citizens of the western part of British Columbia, to work in unison and not to be carried away by theories which are impracticable of solution."

HON. J. ISRAEL TARTE.

A number of the leading Liberals were at the wharf last night to greet Hon. J. Israel Tarte, Dominion minister of public works, who arrived by the Charmer on his first official visit to Victoria. Accompanying him are Madame Tarte, Mademoiselle Tarte, Madame Robillard, of Montreal; Mr. Henri Bourassa, M.P. for Labelle; Mr. Louis Coste, chief engineer of the public works department; and Mr. Fred. Gelinas, Mr. Tarte's private secretary. Hon. Senator McInnes and Dr. Milne met the party in Vancouver and came over to Victoria with them.

Having dined at the Driard, Mr. Tarte was escorted to Institute hall, where he was presented on behalf of the Liberal Association with an address, read by Mr. Scaife, Mr. George Riley, the president of the club, being in the chair. Hon. Mr. Tarte replied to the address, and Mr. Bourassa followed with a short speech. Owing to press of time, the Minister's visit to Victoria will be shorter than he had at first intended, and every minute of his stay will, it is said, be occupied by the programme prepared. From 9 to 11 this morning he will receive those who wish to see him at the Driard. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. he will be taken up the harbor on a steamer by the mayor and aldermen, and among other things will see the new pile bridge across the Arm. In the afternoon a visit will be made to Esquimalt and at 5 o'clock there will be a public meeting at the Board of Trade rooms, when an address will be presented by the B.C. Board of Trade and matters of public interest to the city will be discussed. In the evening Dr. Milne will entertain the Minister and a number of other guests at a dinner at his residence, and on Friday morning Hon. Mr. Tarte goes to Nanaimo where he spends the day, returning in time for the banquet tendered him by the Liberals at the Driard. By the Charmer on Saturday morning he returns to Vancouver, where he attends a political meeting the same evening.

Mr. Coste, chief engineer of public works, has accompanied the Minister on the trip in a professional capacity to give advice as to various matters which may arise in connection with his department.

A flying trip to Kootenay will be taken as the party go East.

SELF-DENIAL WEEK.

For the enlightenment of the public in general on what really is meant by "self denial week," in Army work, a meeting was held under the auspices of the local Salvationists in A. O. U. W. hall last evening, and was largely attended. Sir Henry Crease presided, and present with him on the platform were Right Rev. Bishop Cridge, Rev. Dr. Campbell and Adjutant Clark. In opening the meeting Sir Henry Crease spoke of the pleasure he had in being present, and of the interest he had always taken in Army work. He referred at length to the "self denial" for which this week had been set apart, and in an interesting manner paved the way for the speakers who were to follow.

The first of these was Bishop Cridge, whose earnest address appealed to every listener in the audience. He spoke admiringly of Army work, and he was pleased, he said, to realize that the good will entertained for the Army had never been departed from in the streets of Victoria, which city, he said, he loved.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, who was next heard, referred to Army work, incidentally interspersing his observations with anecdotes, which served to maintain the closest attention. From May 6, 1895, to the 1st of October, there were supplied in the Army shelter, he said, 25,266 meals and 8,440 bed. The number of men who found work in the institution varied considerably, sometimes being as high as 18 per day, but the average for the 13 months between September 1, 1895, and October 1, 1896, was found to be seven. The speaker touched on several topics in connection with the army and considered the $1,000 granted by the municipality for the erection of the shelter was money never better expended.

Adjutant Clark gave the last address, confining his remarks solely to personal experiences illustrating in a casual and pointed way the work of the different branches of the Army, by instancing the practical results accomplished in each.

During the evening vocal solos were given by Messrs. Sherbrorne and Herbert Kent, and an odd selection was given by the Army band.

A collection was taken up and a vote of thanks passed to the chairman and those assisting, after which the meeting adjourned.

Cornwall, Nov. 14.—Mr. Daniel, an old resident is dead. His widow is a sister of Hon. Mr. Ouimet, formerly Minister of Public Works.

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

BEHRING SEA COMMISSION.

Mr. Justice King, the Canadian commissioner, is still detained on the Mainland by the interrupted railway communication, consequently the sittings of the Behring sea claims commission are still deferred for another day at least. In regard to the arbitration it may be interesting to note the high status which the United States Commissioner Judge Putnam holds in the United States courts. The Federal courts of the United States were, until a few years ago, of three grades, the highest being the Supreme court, the next in order the Circuit courts, and then the District courts. At present there are nine circuits, with two or three circuit judges to each, and, in all, about sixty district judges. Formerly, appeals lay from the District courts to the circuit Courts, and from the Circuit courts to the Supreme court of the United States. In 1891 the court of appeal, intermediary between the Circuit courts and the Supreme court, were established. These courts of appeal correspond somewhat to the court of appeal under the English Judicature Acts, with the difference that for nearly all matters the judgments of the courts of appeal of the United States are final. The courts of appeal are made up of judges drawn from the Supreme court, the Circuit courts and District courts, a Supreme Judge or a Circuit Judge presiding. Judge Putnam is one of the two Circuit Judges of the New England circuit, consisting of the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

RAILWAY TO KOOTENAY.

To-day delegates of the boards of trade of Victoria, Vancouver, Westminster and Nanaimo interview the provincial government in regard to the desirability of having an independent line of railway from the Coast to the Southern Kootenay country. This is in line with the action decided at the meeting held in Vancouver a short time ago by the delegates. Last night the Mainland deputation came over by the Charmer from Vancouver. They are Messrs. J. C. McLagan and J. W. Campion, of the Vancouver Board of Trade, and Messrs. Gordon E. Corbould and John Hendry, of the Westminster Board of Trade. By the same steamer came a large delegation from Vancouver, representing the proposed Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway, to lay their project before the boards of trade delegates previous to the meeting with with the government. The representatives of the scheme are Messrs. C. N. Davidson, W. Templeton, Ald. J. J. Banfield, W. McCraney, N. McLean, Dr. Carroll, W. L. Fagan, Alex. Ewen, James Webster, Cesare J. Marani and D. G. Macdonell. The promoters of the Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley railway are also expected to see the boards of trade delegates this forenoon.

BIRTHS.

Gibbons—In this city, on the 13th inst., the wife of C. Harrison Gibbons, of a daughter.

DIED.

Craft—At his residence, "Sunnyside," Victoria West, on the 16th inst., William Craft, a native of Rochester, Kent, England, aged 58 years.

Tod—In Seattle, on the 13th inst., at 112 Blanchard street, Fannie Cecelia, youngest daughter of Jas. and Flora Tod, of Cedar Hill, Victoria, aged 18 years.

O'Brian—At Jubilee Hospital, on the 13th inst., of appendicitis, Douglas Eugene, youngest son of R. O'Brian, M.D., of Nanaimo, aged 10 years and 4 months.

Stott—At the residence of her sister, Mrs. McLean, 139 Cadboro Bay road, on the 17th instant, Margaret Johnson Stott, a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, aged 74 years.

Watson—At the family residence, Jessie street, Victoria West, on the 16th inst., Hannah Matilda Elenora, (and her infant babe) the beloved wife of Mr. Thomas P. Watson, and daughter of Mr. Mark Parsons, aged 25 years.

Virtue—At 160 Johnson street, on the 17th inst. John James Virtue, aged 56 years.

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