carriages at their disposal as is to be be valua found in New York, London, Paris and soldiers.

wheel. As far as general utility goes we have reason to believe the automobile will far surpass the bicycle, revolution-ary, as the latter has been. As an evi-

so far have been exceedingly satisfactory, and the company have arranged to women. In the Strates of Magelian she place ten of them in livery on May 1st, charging regular hack rates for the service. The advantages to be derived from this new machine are numerous and slaves out of the women. At a formed this new machine are numerous and forceful, first that it will be the critical moment the vessel backed off means of bringing about an improved into deep water and the passengers estimate the control of the fact was as represented it was most probable that the engineer would have mentioned it. He admitted that there would be considerable rock work involved, but hardly as much, he thought that the present endinger and in the fact was as represented it was most probable that the engineer would have mentioned it. He admitted that there would be considerable rock work involved, but hardly as much, he thought, as Ald. Humphrey anticipated.

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Sound was reached on the way to the way to the Klondike, and there the party went to pieces. The ship required more repairs, and nobody had any money to pay for them. The passengers claimed they had been defrauded and libelled the steamer to the property of the engineer was asked for by resolution. His Worship interjected that the matter had slipped his mind at the time. Continuing, Ald. Humphrey said that for damages. Suit after suit was brought lic that it is to be a permanent fixture, a new pavement policy will come to the front with a rapidity and force that will been defrauded and libelled the steamer

of the dirt which we find on the street ing of this fifth can be spent on permanent improvements which will in time bring the condition of our streets to a state of perfection never dream of even by the Vancouver bicycle club. The question of health must be also considerable discussion. In the course of which the argular meeting of the last speaker, and also that missioners, and from Hon. E. G. Prior, and the vancouver bicycle club. The bear was tied up in Honolulu. At also she got away, but broke down at one of health must be also considerable discussion. In the course of which the arguments of the last speaker, and also that he bear with end of the last speaker, and also that missioners, and from Hon. E. G. Prior, and the vancouver bicycle club. The bear was tied up in Honolulu. At also she got away, but broke down at one time should be lost, if progress was also the last speaker, and also that most one field sucus.

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order of things.

overcrowded manufacturers. "Another representative of the comparts and fittings and special machinery present.

NEGOTIATING A LOAN.

Japan Government Reported To Have Secured Ten Million Pounds From British Capitalists.

Japanese advices to the 25th proximor up till two days after the sailing of anchor and wait for a tug. The starthe R. M. S. Empress of India from beard anchor was let go, but the head-

been carrying on negotiations, in accordance with the instructions of the government, with capitalists in London for a loan of 10,000,000 pounds sterling. The negotiations have been making satisfactory progress and the London capitalists have consented to furnish the money at the rate of 950 pounds per 1,000. This result, we are to d, has been duly reportresult, we are to d, has been duly reported to the proper quarters; but as they are anxious to keep the negotiations a profound secret, the details are not yet

trustworthy source that Nanking will be almost immediately declared an open Private advices received from Japan According to the French treaty hai, Ningpo and Foochow. With regard to Nanking, the French agents in China will not deliver passports to thier nationals for the city until the rebels have been expelled by the imperial troops."

However, Nanking is not yet an open port: although specified as such above. port, although specified as such above, previous voyage to this coast.

HORSELESS CARRIAGES but its formal opening can doubtless be claimed at pleasure by the French government. The city is mentioned as a treaty port in the revised Yangtze regulation which are a come into affect on

Perfect Thoroughfares of the Future Wnen the Last Horse Has Di appeared.

Work upon this part of the road had well advanced a year or so ago, but an error of upon this part of the road had well advanced a year or so ago, but an error of upon the value of about 4,300,000 rubles were portunity of witnessing a practical demonstration of the working of the horse
Made a journey across Asia over the railroad, says that for 200 versts beyond Irkutsk the journey was full of peril, and it required nine days and nights of hard travelling, sometimes mounted, but a greater part afoot, to cover the distance. Work upon this part of the road had well advanced a year or so ago, but an error of uprecedented storms afterwards set in, and embankments and bridges to the value of about 4,300,000 rubles were washed away. The work of restoration was greatly interfered with by swarms of insects and other pests, which made over a series of protracted sessions. Indeed

Mill Investigate the Sorby Scheme ("Cemetery officer, did you say?" inquired a brother alderman—"or was it insanity?"

Eventually it was decided that the letter of Mr. Moody should be tabled.

A letter from A. J. Pineo went upon the like in which the council was thanked for the value of about 4,300,000 rubles were volume of business that not one, but several over a series of protracted sessions. Indeed over a series of protracted sessions.

Japanese Training Ship to Visit

gold hunters, among whom were several the service until other arrangements could women. In the Straits of Magellan she be made by the city, at the rate of \$10 per engineer had made no such estimate of

placement of the horse is undoubtedly that of the cleanliness of our streets, when we consider that fully two-thirds of the dirt which we find the west of the direction. The way of the west of t of the dirt which we find on the street Eventually the iCty of Columbia was bridge had not been ordered closed. He so caused by the horses themselves we sold by the United States marshal, and had simply taken the action which seemed begin to realize what it means to do away with even a portion of the number now in use, it means cleaner streets at less expense, money which is now being spent for the gathering and removing spent for the gathering and removing of this fifth can be spent on permanent improvements which will in time bring the condition of the latter in irons. More

sometimes developes into serious throat and lung troubles. All this and numer-"The parties above alluded to have formed a very strong company and will enter into the business at once. They have already placed orders for vehicles with Eastern manufacturers. The first large was knocked by the payes that the indeed to have were very few people present, and she was knocked down to Captain Evans for the city engineer for an estimate as to the cost of the work.

\$1,500. This was not near enough to pay the vessel's debts, and now the Alawar and Council as follows:

Co. addressed the council as follows:

with Eastern manufacturers. The first meda brings the news that the judge will arrive about the 15th of May, and has refused to confirm the sale. A Chiwill be followed by others as fast as they can be turned out by the already prepared to pay \$10,000 had its representation. tative arrived in time at the sale. Cap-tain Evans has carried the matter into pany will shortly leave for the East for the Supreme court of Hawaii, and there the purpose of arranging for buying the City of Columbia's fate rests at

the manufacture of these vehicles in THE EDWARD O'BRIEN WRECK The Alameda brought to San Francisco particulars of the wreck of the American ship Edward O'Brien. The vessel left Departure Bay as heretofore stated on February 2 for Honolulu with a cargo of coai. On February 27 she passed Diamond Head and stood in for Honolulu. Captain Banfield ran close to the entrance in the reef, intending to the R. M. S. Empress of India from Yokohama, were received by the Northern Pacific steamship Victoria on Saturday evening.

According to a Tokio message, Mr. Kato, Japanese minister to London, has been carrying on negotiations, in accordance with the instructions of the govern-break a total week and was to be sold and the superscript of the govern-break at total week and was to be sold

A RESUME OF TRADE. are anxious to keep the negotiations a profound secret, the details are not yet known. However, it what we have ascertained is correct, the interest is about 4 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly in British specie at the London branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank. This much is to be entered in English on the bonds. Other details are now being discussed between the financial department and the Nippon Ginko. The agreement between the Japanese government and the London capitalists will be signed shortly.

The Shanghai Mercury learns from a trustworthy source that Nanking will species of business and the prospects of another dry season have had a serious effect on the market for grain vessels, as will be seen from the last engagement reported which is at 22s. 6d. net to Europe. As usual in such circumstances iron and steel vessels are striving for employment in the lumber trade and that has had the natural effect of easing off rates there, though not to any great extent. There is a fair enquiry for early loading from several quarters but vessels suitably placed are not easy to get."

WILL AGAIN VISIT ESQUIMALT. R. P. Rithet & Co.'s monthly freight

Private advices received from Japan bridge on Tuesday port. According to the French treaty of 1858 Nanking is supposed to "enjoy the same privileges as Canton, Shangthe two years, ago is again going to hai, Ningpo and Foochow. With regard cross the Pacific She leaves Japan about the council for the New Century Weekly and the Universal Brotherhood Monthly.

monstration of the working of the horseless carriages which are creating so insects and other pests, which made it impossible for the men to work. Count Thun says it is intensely cold all along the Eastern cities. The Colonist correspondent has had an interview with a well known capitalist of this city, who, with several other enterprising citizens have taken the matter in hand with the almost inexpansible gold fields but the loss of restoration was greatly interfered with by swarms of insects and other pests, which made it impossible for the men to work. Count Thun says it is intensely cold all along the lines of the point were the speeches of the aldermen, that His Worship the Mayor felt it incumbent upon him when the following: James Pottinger and others, with reference to the necessity of improvents the adjournment came to warmly congrature.

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In conversation with the gentleman above referred to, he pointed out some few facts concerning the horseless carriage of to-day, in part they are as follows:

"The automobile, has passed the experimental stage and has already reached as high a degree of perfection as the bicycle had ten years ago, when the was still unknown. Without doubt the next decade will do as much for the self-propelled vehicle as the past decade has done for the wheel. As far as general nuility coes wheel alid on Menzles street referred to the request that the sewer be laid on Menzles street, between determing officer, and notice being given in the Colonist and Times of the date of voting-livening of the purchase of a scow, suggesting in the content of the city engineer to enable him to a level too low and the purchase of a scow, suggesting the determination of the fire former recommendation of the city engineer to leave the law too low a level too low and the purchase of a sto

the question of his eligibility, the decision of the Supreme court having been adverse to his claim. This decision was formally we have reason to believe the automobile will far surpass the bicycle, revolution-arry, as the latter has been. As an evidence of the popularity of this new means of conveyance, the following item from the Scientific American was quoted: 'A year ago a company put thirteen horseless cabs for hire on the streets of New York. To-day the same company believe to the company operates one hundred cabs, and the demand for them is such that they have to be taken from the pin the cab house to fill telephone adversely and the seems of the sever in question, in interest of the spontment of a special committee to thoroughly investigate the Sorby has greated would and on the desired would and on the point of the spontment of a special committee to thoroughly investigate the Sorby has company put thirteen horseless cabs for hire on the streets of New York. To-day the same company to the council took up the question as to where some hundred cabs, and the demand for them is such that they have to be taken from the public cab stands and kept in the cab house to fill telephone and message or orders or regular customers.'

There are also a number being introduced. An interesting historical sketch of the board thought that it was a subject that might in justice be deferred until such time as the deferred until

voyage was resumed. Finally Puget Sound was reached on the way to the peared strange to him that the Mayor had

for damages. Suit after suit was brought he was quite agreed with Mr. Wilmot's he was quite agreed with Mr. Wilmot's action, but did not think any engineer

begin to realize what it means to do away with even a portion of the number now in use, it means cleaner streets at less expense, money which is now being spent for the gathering and removing spent for the gathering and removing the company and passengers, but misfortune was in her wake. Captain and passengers did not the content of t

ion that this was a subject that had too ous other nuisances which now exist will be entirely eliminated under the new order of things. Once more the City of Columbia was put up for sale, but owing to bia was put up for sale, but owing to br. Helmeken had a right to seek an early some mistake in the advertisement there termination. The communication went to the city engineer for an estimate as to the

The Mayor and Council of the City o Victoria:

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Gentlemen,—I have the honor to advis you that I was in receipt on the 6th instan of a letter from His Worship the Mayor reading as follows:

Victoria, B. C., March 6, 1899.

A. T. Goward, Esq., Victoria, Manager B. C. Electric Railway Company:

Dear Sir,—On June 17, 1898, the city en gineer reported that he did not conside the Rock Bay bridge would be safe for more than eight or nine months; as that time has now elapsed, I have to inform yo that the bridge is now not safe for tram way traffic, and that if the company continues to run its cars along the bridge, it does so at its own risk, as after this notice the city will not be in any way responsible for the bridge.

Yours faithfully,

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

Tours faithfully,

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

In view of this communication the company at once desisted from using the bridge for tramway triffic. I might point out that the company is ready at any time to commence the construction of its portion of the new bridge that is proposed to be built by the city across Rock Bay, but which is delayed in its building by reason of the Dominion government not having assented to the plans which have been for some time under consideration.

Under the new arrangement this company will maintain its portion of the bridge. The interruption in the tramway service is one of serious damage and inconvenience not only to the company, but to the citizens, and I might point out to your honorable body that the bridge being a pile one could easily be put in proper condition pending the assent of the Dominion government to the plans that have gone forward. A pile bridge, as is well known, can with very little trouble and expense be placed in a safe condition. The vehicular traffic, which is sometimes very severe, is a greater strain on the structure than the cars, which run on steel rails, the weight being distributed over a larger surface.

Thus traffic I might point out to your honorable being distributed over a larger surface.

The interruption in the tramway service to be growing among tenderers of holding back to the last moment in the hope of getting information of other competitors' figures, and then rushing in a slightly lower being information of other competitors' figures, and then rushing in a slightly lower betting information of other competitors' figures, and then rushing in a slightly lower being received, and all were referred for action arrival of the Cunard service, during all of the sundays. The latent's attack, confectioners, stands, fruiters' stalls, confectioners, etc., during all of the Sundays. This communication is tabled, to be acted upon at the same time that the barbers' petition receives consideration.

Seven tenders for the supply of police of the jurgent in

Trusting that it will be possible to soon resume traffic over this bridge, I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient

ALBERT T. GOWARD, Local Manager. This communication was laid on the table until a report shall have been received from the acting engineer the Mayor explaining that Mr. Cousins expected to visit the

his subject of a mint for Canada in British

Vancouver Promised This Most
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Decision and Retires From
the Council.

The reading of this communication occupled fourteen minutes, and as the clerk completed his task, the Mayor inquired:
"What are we to do with this?"

engineer had made no such estimate of

by Ald. Humphrey. Ie seemed folly to him to put in a sewer at a cost of \$1,500 Ald. Humphrey held that when the tendant expense, the council cannot under-take the work at present.

The city librarian reported that the receipts of the library, in carls, fines, etc., had been constantly growing during the past four years, and amounted in 1828 to There was some doubt exp with as to whether this could legally be done, and the matter was referred to the mance committee for investigation.

It was decided to carry out the original intention of the council and purchase a horse for poundkeerer Curran, to replac the one owned by him, and made useless through being gored by a cow, experience having shown that as a poundkeeper's steed the old animal is no longer of any value.

seven in the evening, the tenderer explaining to the janitor that the matter had been overlooked at an earlier hour of the straits."

They might while they are at it consider the question of a tunnel under the Straits."



Columbia, and suggesting the preparation of a comprehensive resolution on the subject, to the Dominion government, and also a monster public meeting at the opera

For the erection of the new fire the corner of Yates and Camosun streets sixteen tenders were received, as hereunder:

*If vent shaft, \$30 extra The tender of George Snider was accept ed, the Mayor being authorized to immedi

As there are twenty-five applications hand for the vacant office of the ately execute a contract.

The recommendation of the Mayor, lookthe sewer in question, in fairness to Mr. The recommendation of the Mayor, look-Fell and other residents similarly situated. ing to the appointment of a special commit-

him to put in a sewer at a cost of \$1,500 Mich are nearly 600 miles norm which when completed would benefit but one or two. Fort street, it would be remembered, was not one of the streets remembered, was not one of the streets remembered. When the did not think, asked to contribute. He did not think, which are nearly 600 miles norm of Ashcroft, are already partly equipped and they will be in full operation before the close of the season of 1899. There would be contributed by Captain the close of the season of 1899. There would be contributed by Captain the close of the season of 1899. There would be contributed by Captain the close of the season of 1899. There would be contributed by Captain the close of the season of 1899. There would be contributed by Captain the close of the season of 1899. commended by the city engineer for sewer extension, and he thought that Mr. Fell sidered for a moment by the Dominion. should be notified that in view of the attendant expense, the council cannot under-

Mason be paid his \$25 when the walk on Ida street shall have been filled into the level of the curb.

"4. Regarding the steam roller: It.i the intention to commence working the roller as soon as the driver, who is a present running the steam curbon to the steam curb

"4. Regarding the steam roller: It. is the intention to commence working the roller as soon as the driver, who is a present running the steam crusher, is at liberty, which will be in a few days.

"5. I would respectfully recommend that the present box drain on the east side of Second street, north of Bay street, which is in a very rotten condition, be renewed for a distance of 350 feet by an Sx12 box the estimated cost of which is \$45."

These clauses were adopted without objection.

"would nave the man of preat development without an expenditure of money.

Ald. Hayward looked upon Mr. Sorby's scheme as eminently attractive, and if the figures given were correct it seemed that it could be carried out with comparatively little cost to the citizens. He thought it the duty of the council to investigate carefully and report to the citizens the scheme as eminently attractive, and if the figures given were correct it seemed that it could be carried out with comparatively little cost to

Against-Ald. Kinsman, Humphre

The aldermanic members of the committee were named by the Mayor as Ald. Hayward, Brydon and MacGregor, while the independent property owners to as-sist will be chosen by the Mayor and As the matter was disposed of Ald.

On the motion of Ald. Brydon it decided to invite applications for the office of city carpenter, until March 20, and the council then adjourned after passing through its first reading the Rev-enue hy-law of 1899.

THE PAVONIA

Liverpool, March 10.-The reported rrival of the Cunard steamer Pavonia off Holyhead in tow of two tugs is beeved to have been premature as no further tidings have been received up to

PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

According to Trethewey & Brittain's re-

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Early Visits to Vancouver Island by Broughton and Other Explorers.

At the Natural History Society's meeting yesterday evening an interesting paper was read by Capt. Walbran relating to Broughton's voyage to this coast in 1796. In the course of his paper, Capt. Walbran pointed out that though Broughton's stay on the coast was but short, yet it was interesting as being the last visit of a British man-of-war for

published in a Seattle paper. It was tim on Thursday night last, when in shown that the "document" was not of such a snowstorm as only the northland the slightest importance except as an in-teresting record of bygone times, and though great praise was given to Prohave taken the matter in hand with the result that at a not very distant date the Vancouver public will have as complete a service of automobiles or motor carriages at their disposal as is to be valuable chiefly for the movement of found in New York, London, Paris and churia, in Chaina, is undoubtedly full of almost inexhaustible gold fields, but the board on their practical methods in the economy of time. During the course of time. During the course of time. During the course in the economy of time. During the course of the evening it was arranged that nom the evening it was pointed out that the accordingly be held on Thursday evening at eight.

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A vote of thanks was tendered to Capt. mendation esting in-walbran. The meeting then adjourned hands of to March 27, when the annual election

gress Being Made in This Rich District.

tance of 285 miles, more than eighty move her engines.

teams. six and twelve horse, are freighting, and from the present outlook, in- tress Ald. Stewart stated that he would very much like to see the scheme carried out, but he thought that the matter might well be deferred until the rate for the year had been struck and the council knew its financial position. From present appearances the board would be about \$10,000 short.

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Stead of, as now, shipping for the year from 150,000 to 200,000 pounds of freight per week, the quantity will be largely increased. Omineca and the Peace river countries, which are best reached by the Cariboo road, will attract much attention next season as there is a large. stead of, as now, shipping for the year evening and received on board a mawice. The advantages to be derived from this new machine are numerous and forceful, first that it will be the means of bringing about an improved condition in our roads and streets, the elimination of horses from our public thoroughfares will greatly reduce the cost of maintaining them, for it must be remembered that it is the horse more than the vehicle that ruins the pavement; improvement in the automobile and improvement in the automobile and improvement in the automobile and improvement in our pavements will go hand in hand; good pavements will go hand in the left that there would be considerable to continue the clty mitted that there would be considerable considerable considerable considerable must company should have gone from the clty mitted that there would be considerable mothed that the process of the bridge of the bridge had not the tound by the dark mitted that there would be considerable movement in the clty mitted that the present end to the constituents. His Worship pave had then a well deserved prominence. These mines, which are nearly 600 miles north ground in that section, Mr. Black claim-

ing to have ground, rich patches of which go as high as 75 cents per pan." been defrauded and libelled the steamer for damages. Suit after suit was brought against the vessel until there was not a square inch from kee'son to truck that the work at present.

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The above of the cuty as a by-law was passed to carry it into who is the "Manager Black" more par "3 Referring to Robt. Mason's claim of \$2 effect, all he had in the city would be ticularly referred to.

th a development without an expenditure of at money.

The company with a man named E. L. Blank, who has already reached Seattle, at money. says: 'Miners working this ground on shares for the company took out some 38 ruary 14 and came out with a smart to and was on the spot when it was taken pening on the journey was the freezing out.'
"Four years ago very little was known

past four years, and amounted in 1828 to past four years, and amounted years four years four years, and amounted years four years four years four years for years four years, and amounted years for years four years four years for years for years for years for years for yea He held the first argument to be not yet rents, poll tax, and an income to the established; as for the second, there was country from the large expenditures of established; as for the second, there was no scheme too big for a city to take hold of it it was for the benefit of the city.

The resolution was adopted, on the following division:

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enefit to the country.

"Then the Victoria Company has expended some money and were the means available for getting this strong com pany interested, and generally bringing the country prominently before the min-ing world, immense advantages would acrue to the province as a whole. I think in all fairness the government might do something in the way of road making to open up this country. As to the prospects of Omineca, the modest prospectus of the first company formed ans of Nanaimo committed murder and ansatz a in Victoria to exploit the country might

posits having been fully demonstrated to be rich in gold, it is proposed to form a small company for the purpose of prospecting and locating a number of claims and water rights for hydraulicing. The services of Capt. Black, a competent mining engineer, have been competent mining engineer, have been competent with the competent with the company with one Eddy Dolan on the night previous to the tracedy beginning formered the competent mining engineer, have been secured, assisted by a party of old Omineca miners who are thoroughly acquainted with that region, and who have ious to the tragedy having fomented the port from the United States Patent Office the part of the district where this comport from the United States Patent Office
Gazette, 511 patents were issued during
the week ending February 29. Of this
number 448 were to citizens of the United
States; Austro-Hungary, 2; Canada, 3; Grea
Britain, 26; France, 9; Germany, 15; New
Zealand, 1; Norway, 2; South Africa, 1:
Sweden, 1; Switzerland, 2; Victoria, 1. One
Sundred and twenty-seven of these were
ssigned to manufacturers and others beIncre the patents were granted.

The Cottage City experienced many
heard the shots.

The Cottage City experienced many
severy severe snowstorms coming down.

TRAINMEN KILLED.

Lincoln, Neb., March 11.—A blinding storm
of snow and wind was the cause of a
collision on the Burlington road twelve
miles west of Lincoln this evening, resulting in the death of three trainmen and
the injury of four others.

THE DIRIGO A WRECK

Piles High on the Rocks of Midway Island in a Dense Northern Fog.

Passengers Undisturbed by a Most Prosaic of Shipwreeks-Salv. ing Preparations.

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Before commencing the paper, Capt.
Walbran brought before the meeting the "Alberni document," and also the able article on the same by Professor Meaney, published in a Seattle paper. It was published in a Seattle paper. It was Dirigo drove high upon the rocks of Midway Island, there to become a fixture and a warning to all mariners who pass that way. Luckily there was a smooth sea run-

ning, and the steamer being under half speed only when she met her fate, just as the bell rang midnight, the most prosaic of shipwrecks was produced. The shock itself was sufficient to bring the sixty odd passengers from their berths, but as they found the vessel held in a fast and seemingly not unfriendly grasp, and could see nothing of their surroundings through the clouds of driving snow, they forthwith accepted the situation philosophically—and we back to their beds.

Captain Black Tolks of the Proed through a series of ugly reefs, and found for herself a natural cradle into which she had run just at the highest stage of the tide.

With its falling she was left high and

dry, so that at low water it was posisble to walk quite around her and inspect the damage. This did not appear very considerable so far as punctures in the hull were concerned, the worst feature of the case being that she crained as she lay -with upwards of 250 tons of cargo in her-until it was quite impossible

tress displayed, in response to which the Cottage City hove to the following

until pressed into service for the Northern rush, in which she has latterly been operated for the Washington & Alaska Steamship Company. She was a wooden craft of probably 1,000 tons register and

is understood to be fully insured.

FROM SNOWY REGIONS Steamer Cottage City Returns From a

Stormy Trip to Alaskan Ports. At midnight last night the steamer Cottage City arrived from the North with 69 passengers, all of whom, with few exceptions, have been railroad hands

of an old man whose name he did not knees. He was afterwards taken in charge by the police and carried to Tagish where it was thought that both feet

would have to be amputated. Sickness was diminishing in Dawson when Chisholm left, the Sisters' hospital the largest institution of its kind in the city, having only 45 patients within its walls up to the first of February and being obliged to close down one ward

through lack of patients.
Chisholm says that many of the recent stampedes out of Dawson proved to be fizzles; in fact he can recall none but what were. Two of these were to Smith creek, about 60 miles up the Klondik , and to Coal creek in the Forty Mile district, the rush to the latter being militated against by severe weather. Mr Chisholm believes the El Dorado will lead all other streams of the Yukon this year in its richness, although the bench claims on Bonanza are turning splendidly as also claims on Dominion and Hunker.

The high licenses imposed on saloon

suicide, the victim of the former crime being Libby White, a dance artist, whom be quoted. Here it is:
"The Omineca country being long and he shot over the bar of the Monte Carlo favorably known as a prolific gold pro-ducing district, the auriferous gravel de-posits having been fully demonstrated to

keepers is having the effect of limiting their number in Dawson, Mr. Chisholm

touble. Evans and the woman were found dead in a pool of blood by those occupying the adjoining rooms who had heard the shots.

ormal Charges Again commissioner by Publisher.

They Are Indignantly Mr. Ogivle Proc Investigate

from the Seattle Post-Inte ex-Gold Commissioner Dawson, is now the sub nvestigation, specific accu been made against him h of the Klondike Nugget, has made a long fight again missioner Ogilvie is to he into the management of the gold commissioner's of missioner has declared tha a very thorough investiga if facts warranting the any of the officials are d will have to answer in the For some weeks there h vestigation by the com othing has come of it. Hurdman was charged wi ous offences, and he was s within a short time he w and it was understood the

was practically closed.

THE CHARGE Thec harges against Faw before Commissioner Ogilv royal commissioner on February territorial courtroom, in whing was held, was crowded to Mr. Fawcett was not probusiness. The complaint Allen alleges as follows: "1. That Thomas Faw fully manipulate his pow assumed, in the matter o opening of Dominion creek to the defrauding of m enefit of officials and their "2. That at the time pen of permits to prospect as notice of July 11, 1898, at 1 willfully deviate from said sue a permit to Mrs. Emm "3. That Mr. Fawcett the miners through his when through ignorance of said miners, or through ign part of said gold commi two applications were ent same ground and both pa

entrance fee of \$15, the fee of the misled and un "Messrs. Charles K. Zor. Nelson were both allowed same claim, No. 11 above The gold commissioner reft the money to Nelson altho went to Zorn.

"4. That Mr. Fawcett di ficial powers for the benefitiends and to the prejudice ers, as in the case of the Diclaim to Mrs. Miner when her to pay Alexander McDo of \$2,000 before allowing a claim she had stated claim she had staked.
"5. That while the publ denied access to the recor

formation regarding unreco to be prepared more or lists of vacant ground, w buted to his friends. "6. That an entrance and collected at his office.
"Dated at Dawson, Y.T. of February, 1899. "E. C. ALLEN, Co FAWCETT'S The records of the inves kept open for thirty which time Commissione prepared to receive addition

As soon as Mr. Fawcett

of these charges, he return and there addressed this missioner Ogilvie in reply ments of Allen "I declare each of the cuntrue and malevolent, an immediate investigation. "I ask no time to prepagainst such malicious cha for the investigation to begin -morrow morning, the that the investigation be But the investigation

at once, as the ex-gold casked. Instead, Commission decided to continue the matt days, during which time he additional charges.

Mr. Allen maintains that every charge that he has mad and Commissioner Ogilvie h will have prosecuted against whom sufficient fa

CHANGES POSIT Mr. S. H. Matson Appointe Manager of New Canad surance Company

Mr. S. H. Matson has retin position of provincial mans Provident Savings Life Assu pany to accept a similar p the National Life Assurance of Canada, of which his fat Matson, is the managi The National is a new organization of which is abo The provincial directorate names of leading capitalists men in all parts of the Dethe company in this respective starts out under most en pices. The capital stock is 10,000 shares of \$100 each shares have been purchased and a similar number are

in Vancouver. It is not known yet who Mr. Matson as British Co. explains that he is not company for any other re he prefers to be associated concern as his father is. large increase in the bu vident Company last yes increasing 22 per cent., s cent., new business 20 p mium income 9½ per cent., for policy-holders 21 6-10 pe

BABY ECZEMA AND SCA Infants and young children uliarly subject to this terri and if not promptly arrested it and if not promptly arrested it ually become chronic. Dr. a special study of Eczema of the skin, and we can co commend Dr. Chase's Ointmall forms of Eczema. The tion soothes this irritation a little sufferer to rest.