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MONG PERSIANS

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Respecting the Consti-
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CAMPERS IN CAPITAL

and Russia to Take
Action to Prevent
Disorder

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ots, the present constitu-
tionalists, and an appeal for
its maintenance in the docu-
ment, which was distributed
to the members of the govern-
ment this afternoon, says:

The affairs of the empire
into a hereditary state, the
law its only salvation in the
new government. The late
Shah confirmed it, but per-
sists under the despotic regime,
to oppress the people
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of the constitution, and in-
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is in covenant with the peo-
ple, and that they show brotherly
to the ten million Persians and
their rights to be trodden
it.

Like Civil War

negotiations between the Shah
and the revolutionaries have
been without result. To-
members of the old cabinet
in a council in the palace,
and all shops in Teh-
ran closed, and no newspapers
published. The Persian patri-
ots have taken pos-
session of the main places in the vic-
inity of the palace, and
to the number of 10,000,
the barricades extending for
miles. The latter are acting solely on
their own initiative, and in an orderly
manner, and several mur-
derous looting have occurred.

Britain and Russia

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of British and Russian foreign
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PROSPECTS
FOR PULP INDUSTRY

New York Expert's View of
Situation on the Pacific
Coast

ancouver, Dec. 17.—George F.
Foster, one of the best known con-
sulting pulpwood experts in the Uni-
ted States, reached here today from
New York. He has been engaged to
work on the plant of Canadian
Pulp Co., at Swanson Bay. Mr.
Foster will leave for the north to-
morrow in company with the managing
director, J. M. Mackinnon.

Although this is my first trip to
the coast, I am more or less in-
formed of the great natural forest
resources of British Columbia," said Mr.
Foster at the Hotel Vancouver today.
"The only doubt of a vast pulp-
wood industry, it will practically have
no limitations, owing to the abundance
of material like that of the Pacific
natural markets will be Australia
and the Orient.

The consumption of pulpwood in
Canada and in the United
States is yearly assuming larger pro-
portions. The best of securing
material is already receiving atten-
tion from manufacturers. At the
present rate of consumption it is only
a question of time until greater pre-
cautions for preserving the spruce
forests will have to be adopted. Re-
specting the minimum size
logs cut for paper making have al-
ready been adopted by all the large
manufacturers. The day is not far
distant when they will have to look
to the Pacific coast for their raw ma-
terial. This means the building up
of a big industry in Oregon, Washing-
ton and British Columbia. For the
four best markets will be on the other
side of the Pacific."

FORM DEBATING LEAGUE

Vancouver Church Clubs Plan to De-
velop Oratorical Talent of
Their Members

ancouver, Dec. 17.—The repre-
sentatives of the various church clubs
which will comprise the Inter-Church
debating league conferred last evening
at the Hotel Vancouver today. There
will be six in the circuit, in-
cluding Wesley, First Presbyterian,
First Baptist, Methodist, First Con-
gregational, St. Andrew's and St. Mi-
chael's. This will make a compact
and complete organization. It is
proposed to carry out will carry
the contest up to the end of March,
when the final indications are
suggested last evening that the de-
bates be mixed, that each side re-
presents two orators, and that no-
thing definite was accomplished in
this end. It will be referred to the
different clubs for their approval,
and that the season will be a successful
one in every respect, and that much
good will be accomplished through the
agency of the league.

Lumber Business Improves

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 17.—The
lumber situation is somewhat improving,
owing to the large demands for the
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VanCOUVER WANTS
AN APPROPRIATION

Will Request Dominion to Grant
\$200,000 for Improve-
ment of False Creek

ancouver, Dec. 17.—A formal
request for a definite appropriation for
the improvement of False Creek was
made by the city council last night,
the amount named in the resolution
being \$200,000. The measure was in-
troduced by Ald. Ramsay and
directed that the city solicitor
prepare a manifesto in support of
the requested appropriation, and
forth the improvements now contem-
plated by the city in the line of new
bridges as well as importance of the
creek location for industrial sites.

Ald. Hepburn stated that he inter-
viewed Hon. Wm. Topleman during
his last visit to the city and pressed
the question of improvement work at
False Creek and the Narrows, saying
that this was the kind of "better
terms" the province wanted. Mr.
Topleman had replied that he
thought a statement of the details
of the shore line of the creek
would be given out shortly. He also
stated that the government might
be induced to make a start on the
improvement of the creek.

The resolution with it a
request that the sum mentioned
be placed in the estimates for
1908, was carried, including officers
of the unemployed now oper-
ating in D. L. 301 for the opening
of the boundary road in the
district and the city, the civic author-
ities to undertake half the work, each
section employing fifty men.

Conservative Smoker
ancouver, Dec. 17.—An unqualified
success was the smoker given by the
Conservatives of Ward Five last evening.
Many from other parts of the
city were present, including officers
from the central executive, and the
commodious hall over Lee's grocery
was burned on Harrison lake and his
company to accommodate the happy company.

STEMWINDER MINE

Recent Development Work Appears to
Have Uncovered Supplies of
Good Ore

Fairview, Dec. 17.—The work at
the Stemwinder mine is making good progress
in the shaft and also above
ground. The machinery for the hoist
is being installed and will be on hand in due
time.

The old saying, "Fortune favors the
bold," is the motto of Mr. Russ and other
members of the Stemwinder company.
Last week in the vertical shaft at
the 500-foot level a very large ledge
of good ore was cut into. This is the
south ledge which has never been
found below the surface before, and
it will double the available supply
of the mine. The width of the
ledge is not yet known, as the shaft
is all for ore and no fossiliferous
material has been seen. It is
soon as the vein is cut out and
the width ascertained the main and
north ledges, on the 500-foot level,
will be closed and the immediate
resources of the mine.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Tommy Burns Has Undisputed Right
to the Title at Present

Malachy Hogan, the Chicago
boxing referee, in his weekly pugilistic
review in the Record-Herald has the
following:

"Tommy Burns now holds two titles
by right. He is champion of England
and he is also champion of America,
by winning from Squires. He is gen-
erally recognized as the champion of
the world, and he will remain so
to definitely in retirement, he could
lay claim, without contradiction, to the
world's honors.

"In the last week I have been asked
several times about that pet argument
of those who like to discuss old-ring
affairs—to-wit: who was the cham-
pion of the world in the last 25
years, and whether John L. Sullivan
was a world's champion.

"The answer is that Sullivan was
never world's champion, as in his
days of leadership in the American
ring he never met a man who could
be recognized as a champion of the
world, the recognized champion of
England, in a regulation championship
fight. He was defeated by Mitchell
over Mitchell in Madison Square Gar-
den, when the police stopped what was
to have been a fight of 600 miles
in fifteen hours. Another record fight
was by a bird owned by Dr. John
Schilling of Fort Wayne, Ind., which
covered 1,000 miles in forty-seven
hours.

George F. Kuetz of Peterson, N. J.,
was elected president, and William
Verlander of Jersey City, secretary
and treasurer.

TIMBER MEN WILL
MEET WEDNESDAY

Will Finish Organization of Chamber
of Commerce—To Influence
Legislation

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
The adjourned inaugural meeting of
the projected branch, exchange of the
British Columbia Forestry and Timber
Chamber of Commerce will be held in
the O. U. V. on Wednesday next.
Dr. Judson Clark, the secretary of the
parent body in Vancouver, will again
be present to assist in the work of or-
ganization and the local branch will
be set running.

"The members trust to be able to
effect some changes in existing legis-
lation at the approaching session of
the provincial legislature, and time will
be lost in getting to work. At the
present time the officers of the parent
body are busy organizing those inter-
ested in timber licenses in the north-
ern portion of the province, and it is
hoped that by the time the legislature
meets the exchange will have over
2,000 members.

The first effort of the association
will be to have the length of time for
the renewal of timber licenses extend-
ed.

MAY BE WRECKED

Efforts to Float Alaskan Have Been
Unavailing

An effort probably will be made to-
day by tug and wrecking crews to
drag the steamship Alaskan, of the
Ketchikan-Alaska run, off the rocks
of Sherer Point, Discovery Passage,
on the east coast of Vancouver is-
land, where she has been lying with
a hole in her bow for several days. C.
H. Mackay of the Seattle Hardware
Company, who is prominently inter-
ested in the vessel, in speaking of the
wreck, said: "It is hard to say
whether or not the effort to float the
Alaskan will be successful. I under-
stand she is lying well up on the
beach with a hole in her bow, and is
out of water at low tide. Her cargo
has been removed and the attempt
will be to haul her off the rocks will be
made today if the weather is favorable.
There are no means of communi-
cation between this city and the scene
of the wreck, so I do not expect to
hear of the result until some time
later in the afternoon."

BANFIELD LIFEBOAT

AT SIDNEY TODAY

Will Be Taken to Victoria Under Its
Own Power and Be Tested
Here

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
The Banfield creek lifeboat brought
from New Jersey, where it was built
for the marine department, will reach
Sidney this morning and is to be
delivered there in the water to a crew
to be sent today by the local agent
of the lifeboat company, and will be
under its own power. It is probable that
the lifeboat will reach here tomorrow,
and will be made ready for forward
testing, to be taken to Banfield creek
under her own power.

Capt. Gilver, in command of the lifeboat
crew, and the bulk of the boat's com-
plement were taken to Banfield creek
yesterday by the steamer Quadra to get
the lifeboat ready for forward test-
ing. Sydney Saunders, the engineer, is
awaiting the arrival of the boat, and
will bring it from Sidney.

Close of Navigation.

Detroit, Dec. 17.—The steel steamer
Yale, loaded with grain bound for
Buffalo, the last vessel down from the
upper lakes for the season of 1907,
left for the city today.

The arrival of the Yale at Buffalo will
close the navigation season.

Wireless apparatus is to be installed
at once on the steamer Portland of the
Jurisdiction Steamship company's
fleet, which will be the first steamer op-
erating regularly in the Alaska ser-
vice to be equipped for wireless com-
munication.

IMMIGRATION PLANS

Changes in Operations of United
States Inspectors in This
City

Commencing Monday immigration
going to Seattle their certificates of
admission to the United States will not
be issued by the United States officers
stationed in Canada. There will be no
necessary local immigration officers to
visit the boats from Vancouver and
Victoria.

The new system to be put in
use today the aliens will be examined
before and then, just prior to the
departure of their certificates of
admission to the United States will be
collected by the United States officers
stationed in Canada. There will be no
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The change is a result of the recent
trip of John H. Clark, United States
commissioner of immigration, with
Vancouver and Victoria, and the
Sound. When in Seattle he was called
to his attention, and he made a report
recommending the change. It was also
John H. Sargent, of the local office.

This new system has long been in
use on the Atlantic coast, and on the
great lakes.

YOUNG SOCKEYES
AT THE HATCHERIES

Three Dominion Institutions to
Turn Out About Sixty
Millions

New Westminster, Dec. 16.—Sixty
million young sockeyes will be
turned loose from the Dominion gov-
ernment hatcheries in this district next
week. The fish are being reared in
large tanks, and will be turned out
by the Dominion government.

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SETTLERS' RIGHTS CASE

E. V. Bodwell, K.C., and L. G.
McPhillips Discuss Tech-
nical Points

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
The case of the E. K. vs. Fiddick,
one of the settlers' rights cases, now
being heard by Chief Justice Hunter,
would appear to have narrowed down
to two points from a remark last fall
by his lordship just before the court
rose yesterday afternoon. He remarked
that they were two points on which
he entertained uncertainty, one of
which related to the effect of the non-
renewal of the Fiddick grant under the
Settlers' Rights act, and the other as
to whether the act should be construed
liberally and not strictly, as the
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pleadings at all, it was in the reply
on which the plaintiff was not entitled
to rely.

Passing to the points raised by Mr.
Bodwell, Mr. McPhillips continued that
the Settlers' Rights act should be
construed liberally and not strictly,
as the privy council had pronounced it
to be in the nature of a remedial
statute. He first addressed himself
to the first point, arguing that the
statement of claim did not set up a
cause of action, and that if any
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