

Slave lake. The first of these series of rapids, in the opinion of navigators, could be stemmed by powerful steamers during high-water, at any rate. Vessels of 500 tons can navigate the stream from the end of the second series of rapids to the Arctic ocean for five months in the year. The Athabaska and the Mackenzie rivers are now regularly navigated by the Hudson's Bay Co.'s steamers, and U.S. whalers visit the Mackenzie river every season. In addition to the rivers, this stretch of inland navigation includes Athabaska lake, 192 miles long, and Great Slave lake, 300 miles long. Flowing into Athabaska lake is Peace river, which gives 350 miles of navigation, with but one break at Fort Vermilion, through the most promising wheatlands of the West. The development of this country will give a considerable impetus to shipbuilding as soon as a railway gets pushed through to Athabaska Landing from Edmonton.

### B. C. and Pacific Coast Shipping.

The freight str. Fingal, which was sunk after collision with the str. Rosalie in Victoria harbor, Nov. 12, has been floated and will be repaired.

The steamer now under construction at the Esquimalt Marine Ry. Co.'s yard, Esquimalt, for the C.P. Navigation Co., is to be named the Princess Beatrice.

The str. Tyrrell, though tied up for two nights, made her last trip for the season from Dawson to Whitehorse in 71 hours, which Dawson papers say is the record for the time of year.

The boiler for the Dominion Government cruiser Kestrel, now being built at Vancouver, has been delivered by the Polson Iron Works, Toronto. The Kestrel was launched early in Dec.

The Tasmania, one of the Yukon river steamers, built in sections in England, and shipped to the Yukon at the beginning of the rush, has been taken to Vancouver to be sold, there being no further use for her on the river.

A stern wheel steamer, the Favourite, to run between Mission and New Westminster, B.C., has been built at Vancouver, at a cost of about \$14,000. She is owned by G. C. Harvey, and will ply between New Westminster and Mount Lehman.

The C.P. Navigation Co., Capt. Troup says, will run two steamers between Vancouver and Victoria in the near future. The fast new steamer will run directly between the two ports, and the second will touch at Steveston, connecting there with the Vancouver and Lulu Island Ry.

The C.P. Navigation Co.'s str. Willipa has been sold to U.S. owners who propose to put

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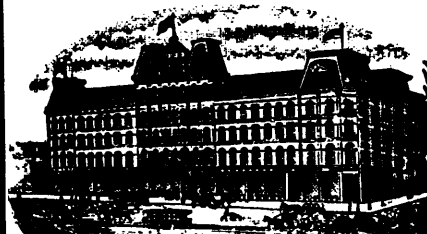
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