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From Friday's daily.

—In the report of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada at St. John, N. B., it is noted that a warrant was issued for a new priory in this city.

—J. C. Maclure, of Victoria, has instituted a libel suit against Mr. McCurdy and the Ledger of Port Townsend for grossly and maliciously libelling his private character in connection with the abduction of his children a few weeks since.

—The ranchers in the vicinity of Abbotsford are beginning to be shippers of fruit, and the prospects are that ere long there will be a large quantity sent out each season by way of Abbotsford from Upper Sumas, Matsqui, Aldergrove and Mount Lehman.

—The large sum of 7,000,000 is to be expended by St. Louis capitalists, through the Seattle & Washington Waterway Co., in constructing a ship canal from Puget Sound to Lake Washington, thus giving Seattle a fresh water harbor, the advantage of which is incalculable. Vancouver might have a fresh water canal at a small cost but the project does not seem to boom.

—It is understood that at a meeting of the Nanaimo Equitable Pioneer Society, Ltd., a statement was presented showing the total liabilities to be $57,-453.15, of which $1,453.23 was to the trade. Of the business assets their stock in trade represents $31,902, and realty more than sufficient to secure the settlement, as follows: Twenty-five per cent. cash 30 days from meeting; balance equally divided on notes at three, six and nine months. A. R. Johnston, Nanaimo; J. H. Todd, A. C. Flumerfelt and William Wilson, Victoria, have been appointed trustees.

From Saturday's Daily.

—Vancouver, B. C., says the Seattle Times, which has heretofore taken much hand in the coast fishing business, has a number of men who are going into it. Letters have been received by local fishermen with tenders of berths in some of the vessels, offering as a lay 1 cent per lb., the men to furnish their own per-

From Tuesday's Daily.

—A mining convention is to be held at Rossland on Oct. 15th. A price has been fixed on the ore to be delivered in the Rossland district, which will be known as the "Rossland price." It is understood that the Le Roi will be the first to adopt the price, and all others will be obliged to follow suit or close down. The price fixed is $3 per ton.

—The old house of the Sons of Hero, Victoria, was destroyed by fire last night. The house was a wooden structure on Yates street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets, and was the property of the Sons of Hero, who had lodged there for years. The building was valued at $1,500, and was insured for $1,000. The loss on furniture is $1,000, and was covered by insurance to the extent of $500. The fire was discovered by the Sons of Hero themselves, who had just left the building, and it is said that the building was set on fire by some person who had a grudge against the Sons of Hero.

—J. C. Prevost, the missing Court Registrar of Victoria, has not yet been located, though evidence has been found to show that he left that place by the Warrimoo. William Monteith was on Wednesday appointed by Mr. Justice Crease as receiver of the Pratt estate, vice Mr. Prevost. It appears that Mr. Prevost, himself, asked that this be done several weeks ago. The accounts of this estate were found to be correct.