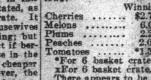
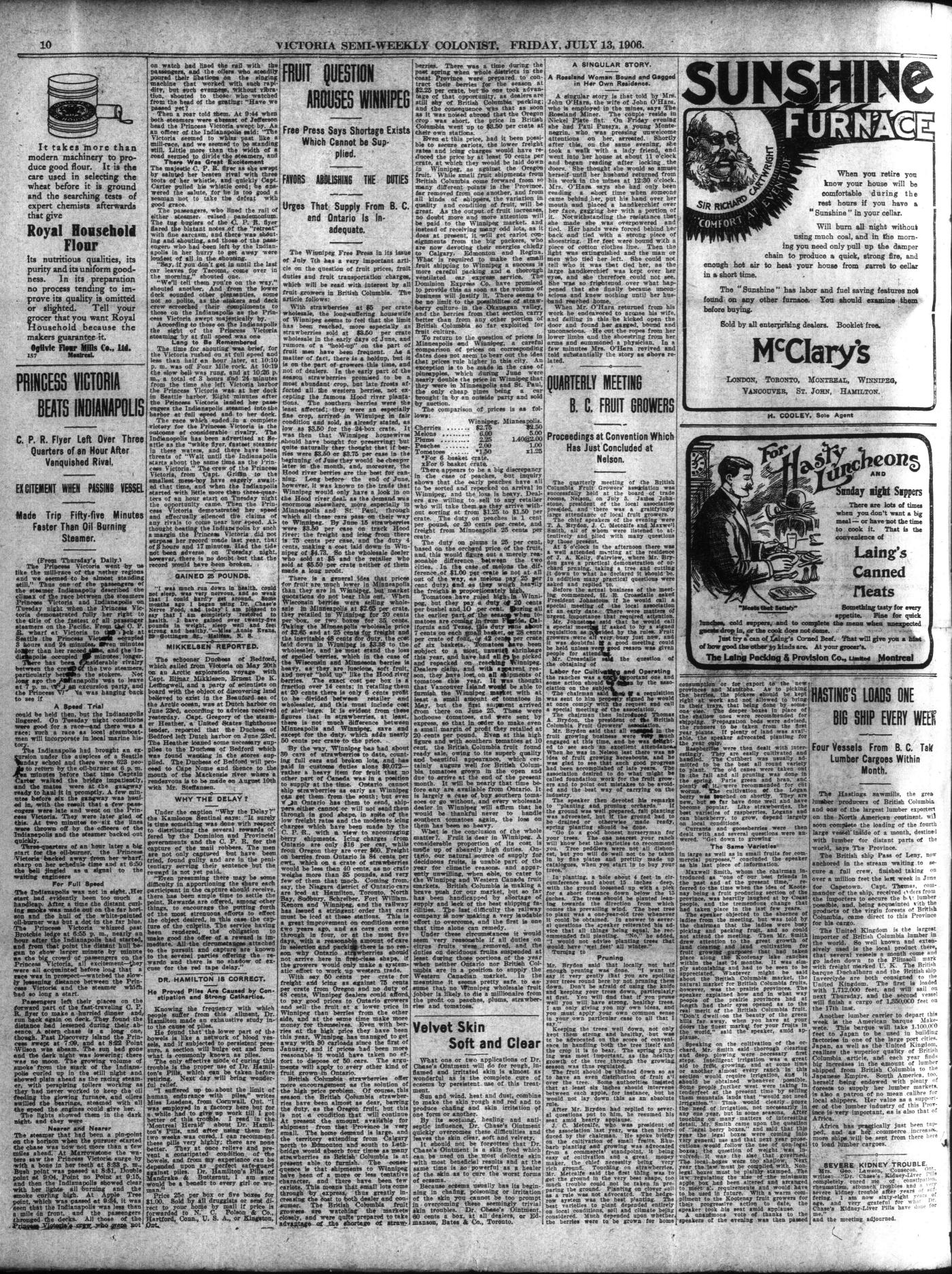
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demnification of th For the Loss of **Business**.

VEWS has reached V on and approaching whereby an agreement will between Great Britain, States and Japan for the striction of pelagic sealing for the cessation of the the basis of the purchase toria and Hakodate sealin the indemnification of the the loss of the business. For some time past those in fur sealing have notic general trend of events negotiations pending for the ment mentioned, and the l of the situation has be ouncement, made a few d these columns, that Japan 1 to enact legislation for th of pelagic sealing. The negotiations were at Washington between States secretary of state trip to South America, in of which the negotiations suspended) and Sir Henry 1 British ambassador to Was far as can be learned, the l interests were not consu way regarding the negotial A Tentative Agreen

chase of the Victoria se nited States governmen

details of the arrangeme worked out by a small sp mission. It is probable th will be invited to appoint a live to attend this commissi sist of representatives of I United States, Canada, an also Janan

to Japan. One condition of the sea ent, it is understood, w essation of all seal kill ockeries at the Pribyloff

rookeries at the Pribyloff one year, except such a necessary for the suppor natives. When the term agreement have been drav leading maritime nations of more especially those in pelagic sealing—of which Ja the most prominent after 4 the United States—will be stamp the measure with ap adhere to its conditions. lieved that Japan will join other two nations more d terested in pelagic sealin agreement. Several years resentative was sent from

Washington, and a simila ment was then discusse Japanese representative ag provided that Great Britain prohibit pelagic sealing

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The United States repres the negotiations, it is under tended for the complete of

tended for the complete or pelagic sealing, and to thi sealing vessels and outh purchased and the owners i for loss of business. Wheth been absolutely agreed to known. The British repr Sir Henry Durand, is sai contended for the cessation on the rookeries for a perioo stated acquiescence to this was absolutely necessary

was absolutely necessary the failure of the conferen heen shown by all experts, hose prejudiced persons who o the islands and have re

to the islands and have re in the interests of lessees, th yearly killing of the seals a dwindling of the herds to er extent than pelagic sealin Before the United States state decided to start on South America on board th Charleston it was generally that the negotiations for pleted before the end of Ju believed the completion of

pleted before the end of Ju believed the completion of has now been delayed for a not believed now that matt completed until shortly befor congress is convened at Wa December, and the sealing will go out on the coast cruit son, if not

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