

ALFRED TAYLOR IS ACQUITTED

JURY FINDS HIM NOT GUILTY OF CHARGE

Judge Advises Him Not to Interfere in Any Way With His Wife.

After forty-five minutes' deliberation the jury which has been hearing the Taylor case brought in a verdict late Friday afternoon, declaring that Alfred Taylor was not guilty of the crime of murder charged against him by his wife.

When the court resumed after lunch, Henry Field, driver of a stage between the city and Sooke, swore that one Sunday about seven p.m., in the middle of September or thereabout, he saw Mrs. Taylor and a man who was not Taylor sitting close together at the side of the road. The man appeared to have his arm around her waist. As he drove down the brow of the hill they drew apart a little, and the man turned his shoulder towards the witness. About a week later, driving out to Sooke, he saw Mrs. Taylor and a man whom he took to be the same one, walking along arm in arm.

Cross-examined, the witness said it was getting dusk on the first occasion, and there were trees at the side of the road, but he was sure it was Mrs. Taylor.

A juror asked if he had ever seen the man since.

The witness replied that he had not.

The Songs in the Case.

Mrs. Mary Demers, Colwood, said she knew the Taylors and Benjamin Eave. Mrs. Taylor had two songs she often sang: "Love me and the world is mine," and "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." Mr. Moresby asked her if she had noticed anything between Mrs. Taylor and Eave when the former was singing.

She had a peculiarity in the middle of her singing to break down and cry round and laugh, but I saw nothing whatever between her and Eave.

How did Taylor and his wife live? They appeared a very happy and devoted couple. I was greatly surprised when I heard of this.

Dr. E. L. Fraser was called by the Crown to give medical evidence in rebuttal. In the course of his testimony he said the average baby weighed six pounds, and would easily go in a box a foot square. He considered that a body could be put into a stove, and as to the period needed for its destruction, he said he could not go closer than to say it would take as long as the same weight of meat.

Dr. Hermann M. Robertson also gave expert medical testimony on several points.

Mr. Moresby's Address.

W. C. Moresby, addressing the jury, said he was not there to defend Taylor from charges of seduction of a young girl or continued immoral conduct with her, but to defend him on the charge of murder. The only evidence the Crown had to offer was that of the mother. Examination of her evidence and comparison of her story as told at different times would show its variations and contradictions. Her story was punctuated full of discrepancies. When a woman became vindictive and had motives, whatever the motives might be, there were no lengths to which she would not go. He would leave it to them, as men of the world, as to how far one could trust a woman who thought she had a grievance.

The story of the alleged crime, as told by Mrs. Taylor, was gone into very closely by counsel, and the evidence examined. If there was a birth, as she said, it could have been an operation or a premature one, or, if there was actually a living child born, there was no evidence that it was not alive to-day. In the matter of Mrs. Taylor had told several stories, altering her dates and hours when she found the first one would not fit. She had shown some beautiful acting in the witness-box. Her story of the alleged crime was told with sighs, but when Benjamin Eave was mentioned she answered with scorn. There was the motive for her story; there the motive for trumping up this charge in the endeavour to get rid of her husband.

"You must be absolutely certain the accused is guilty before you bring in a verdict against him," said Mr. Moresby, in closing an address which was a model for clearness and conciseness and dignity. "You have heard the wife's story and the charge she makes against her husband. You have heard that for eleven years she had been living happily with him; that because he got drunk this night and threatened to leave her she laid bare this story of imaginary crime. While you may think Taylor a bad man, who has lived an immoral life, you must not take any notice of that. You are here only to consider the evidence given in this case, and I leave it now in your hands."

Summing-up for the Crown.

H. B. Robertson made a strong presentation of the Crown's view of the case. What kind of a man, he asked first, was the accused? He had come from Australia and lived here with a woman not his wife. Later he took advantage of that woman's young daughter, who had a right to look to him for help, and that at a moment when she was suffering from a terrible injury to her eye. That alone showed brutality almost beyond understanding. It was asked why she made no complaint to anyone. Here was a young English girl in a new country, taken out to a lonely cabin, understood to be the daughter of this man, without money or friends; to whom could she go? Where would she have gone? She was under Taylor's thumb.

The defence had dwelt on the fixing of days and precise hours. What member of the jury could be exact on such matters of a month or two back, when under cross-examination by one of the best criminal lawyers in the province, to say nothing of the passage of eleven years ago? A strong point in Mrs. Taylor's favor was these variations in her story, and in the fact that

she had no hesitation in saying she had made a mistake formerly. A young girl in a cabin in the woods, boarded up in a cabin, without a calendar, could not be expected to know or remember exact days of the week.

Mr. Robertson was going on to ask where Mrs. Taylor had been for assistance or what story she could have told, when Taylor, who had been following the proceedings throughout intently, with only an occasional whisper suggested to his counsel, blurted out some incoherent remark. There was a pause, and Mr. Moresby cautioned the accused.

The Crown prosecutor went over the small corroborative testimony of the Crown had offered. The threat to follow her to the world's end and to tear her heart out, said to have been made by accused to the woman, he argued, was a sufficiently powerful and terrible threat to a young girl in her physical condition, in a cabin in the woods, sixteen miles from Victoria, to have secured her silence, had these years. The motive for divulging the story, alleged by the defence, had not been proved. The Crown had shown the motive to be love of her children, when their lives were threatened by the father.

The Judge's Charge.

Mr. Justice Morrison charged the jury in a clear and impartial address, which occupied thirty-five minutes. The details of the case, he said, were painfully sordid. The circumstances and incidents all through up to the alleged murder were still quite consistent with the evidence in one particular, however they might represent his character. On the other hand, apparent discrepancies in the woman's story as to times, distances, dates, and descriptions of the man, applied to their own common sense, would be found to be still consistent with her being a truthful witness. It was for the jury to say whether or not she was a credible witness. He said in one of the details of another that a thing happened on the tenth of July, or on or about that, or that it might be much earlier or later, it did not affect her credibility. It depended on how the jury estimated the circumstances. From the woman's evidence she had no calendar in the cabin, apparently had no communication with anyone, went out by night or in a secluded manner, had no means of knowing the time or date. The jury would consider the frame of mind in which she was, considering her story as true. Was it any wonder that she did not remember a good many incidents. It was for the jury to say whether she was a credible witness or not.

If they thought that a child had been born, and that the pair had got together to dispose of it, the jury must not convict without satisfactory corroborative evidence. The testimony of the doctors had been given on a reading of Mrs. Taylor's evidence, and not from their own knowledge of that case. They did not materially differ. It was for the jury to satisfy themselves on the evidence given whether or not a child had been born. They must consider a great many phases, if they were satisfied that one had been. Whether the mother had been in a physical condition which would justify them in placing much reliance on her recollection of what happened? Could she have been mistaken? She might be a perfectly truthful woman, but the sense of telling what she believed to have taken place. It was for the jury to apply their own common sense and say, it was possible that this was a miscarriage or an operation, assuming something had taken place, could it be that no living child was born, or that the woman only thought there was, and that the man in a savage and brutal manner answered her question by saying he had killed it and put it in the fire. They must consider whether this woman's story was not mere hallucination crystallized into fancied facts.

In considering the case, the jury must not be influenced by any sympathy for or feeling against either party. If they had any reasonable doubt they must give the benefit of it to the prisoner. But that reasonable doubt must be based on the evidence as a whole. The jury must not go through the evidence looking for a doubt on some point, and the doubt must not be some fancied one, or one guessed at. If the jury, going over the evidence, thought it contained such an element of certainty as, in their own affairs, would be taken as justifying action, they must find the prisoner guilty. As to motive, something had been said as to the motive of Mrs. Taylor in making this known. The jury might question what motive Taylor could have in killing his child. It was not necessary for the Crown to prove motive. Men had committed some of the most atrocious crimes in history for little or no apparent reason. With the consequences of the verdict the jury had nothing whatever to do. If the child there was reasonable doubt, they were obliged to give the accused the benefit; if they believed Mrs. Taylor's story, they must not shirk their duty, but must bring in a verdict of guilty.

The jury retired at half-past four, and returned with a verdict of acquittal at a quarter past five.

In ordering Taylor's discharge, his lordship said: I have, of course, no control over you, Taylor, but I would suggest that you do not interfere in any way with Mrs. Taylor, nor molest nor intimidate her, nor exercise any authority over her.

The accused was then liberated.

The McNow Case.

His lordship adjourned the assizes until Monday, June 1, when he will deal with the case of Robert N. McNow, found guilty of obtaining money by false pretences. He intimated to the Crown prosecutor, and to B. C. Lowe, counsel for prisoner, that if restitution was made by that date it would have considerable influence on the decision.

THIRTY INJURED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Kansas City, Mo., May 15.—The Missouri state express on the Chicago & Alton railroad, south-bound, was wrecked a mile east of Odesa this morning. About thirty persons were injured, four of them fatally. Relief trains are being rushed to the wreck from here. No details of the accident have been received.

ADDITIONS FOR DOMINION HOTEL

GROUND FLOOR TO BE OCCUPIED BY STORES

Blanchard and Yates Street Corner to Be Built Upon.

In keeping with the progressive spirit of the property owners on the Blanchard and Yates street corner, the Dominion hotel, intends to have large additions made to the Dominion on the Blanchard and Yates streets corner, and to have them completed for the spring trade of next year.

Mr. Jones says he recognizes the lack of up-to-date and commodious sample rooms which at the Dominion have heretofore been located apart from the hotel proper, and his plans for the additions will include ten large and strictly first class sample rooms for the use of the commercial travellers trade coming to Victoria.

The additions being planned are for four stories which will give uniformity to the big block. The plan is to have improved measures seventy feet along Blanchard street by sixty-four feet fronting Yates street. The ground floor will carry a row of shops on both front and rear. The second and third floors will be four deep and wide stores, and one on Blanchard street. The corner store will have unexcelled lighting facilities with about seventy feet of window space. The four stories on Yates street will be four deep and wide stores, and one on Blanchard street. The corner store will have unexcelled lighting facilities with about seventy feet of window space. The four stories on Yates street will be four deep and wide stores, and one on Blanchard street. The corner store will have unexcelled lighting facilities with about seventy feet of window space.

Upstairs three floors will be devoted to sample rooms and bedrooms. The elevators will be carried out in a similar style to the present building, and of the most modern construction. All rooms are to be equipped with hot and cold water baths, and every up to date convenience of the most modern hotels. The building is to be of a modern style, designed so as not to interfere with the present lighting arrangements, and access will be given to the new building from the present one by means of a large hallway on the first floor. Mr. Jones believes with other property owners of Yates and Blanchard streets that as that thoroughfare is among the few in the city where deep stores are possible, that the block is bound hereafter to become an important business centre in the city. With the south side of the street modernized by new buildings, it will be perhaps but a short time before the north side is built up. The erection of the new Y. M. C. A. building on the corner of Yates and the public library and the Dominion hotel will make that part of the city prominent for its massive construction, and the thoroughfares will become more used and consequently more attractive to retailers.

The other new structures planned in the near future for the Yates, Douglas and Blanchard block are those of Finch & Finch, next to the building now being constructed by G. C. Mesher & Company, the building adjoining the last mentioned for Sylvester Feed Company, and a large building between Sylvester's present store and the Merchants bank, which will complete the line of the block. The purchase of a local syndicate of the lot on Douglas street, where stands the auction room of Davies & Sons, was completed yesterday. This syndicate is the owner of the lot between the Merchants and Sylvester's feed store, and intend shortly to erect a new building joining the one on Yates street.

PRETTY WEDDING AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mr. C. Brymner Schrieber and Miss Irving Were Married on Saturday.

The marriage of Miss Nina Irving and Mr. C. Brymner Schrieber was solemnized at 2 o'clock on Saturday at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, by the Rev. Stanley Ard officiating, and Mr. Pauline, the organist, presiding at the organ.

The bride, who is a daughter of the late Surgeon Major Irving, R.A.S.C., of Vancouver, India, was given away by Mr. A. T. Frampton, an old family friend. She wore a smartly tailored suit of grey-blue cloth and a very becoming hat of white straw, trimmed with blue, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses.

A few intimate friends were present at the marriage, and immediately after the ceremony the wedding party proceeded to the wharf, where Mr. and Mrs. Schrieber took the boat for Seattle. After a few days spent there they will leave for their future home in Prince Rupert, where Mr. Schrieber has spent the past two years.

NEW MARINE AIDS.

Quadra Has Placed Buoy in Canoe Pass and is Going North.

Steamer Quadra arrived on Saturday from the Fraser river, where she has been placing a buoy in the mouth of Canoe Pass. The beacon at Walker Rock has also been recharged.

When the steamer has taken aboard the necessary marine aids, she will leave for the north beyond Prince Rupert to install some new work in that neighborhood.

The pupils of Prof. E. G. Wickens are preparing for their twentieth annual concert to be given soon in Institute hall. The programme contains several choice numbers including violin, cello, piano and cornet. A large orchestra with a beautiful Gothic Erard Harp and four pianos will take part. These entertainments have always been much appreciated by large audiences. The proceeds on this occasion will go to the furnishing fund of the Y.M.C.A. new building.

MISTAKEN ORDER PUTS TEES ASHORE

Steamer Floated at Noon and is Leaving on Regular Run During Afternoon.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Owing to a mistaken order the steamer Tees went ashore last night as she was passing out of the harbor on her way to the West Coast of Vancouver Island. The vessel was in charge of Captain Gillam at the time of the accident, and according to him she was just approaching the Brackman wharf, near the outer dock, when the captain gave the order to "port." The quartermaster at the wheel put her to starboard, making her swing in towards shore. "Hard a port" was the next order, but the quartermaster put her hard to starboard. The captain saw that there was something wrong and signalled the engines "full speed astern," but it was too late. Although the speed of the vessel was arrested she grounded on the mud just inside of Shoal Point and stuck there.

Unfortunately the tide was high at the time, and consequently all efforts to get off were unsuccessful. There was no danger, and as there were no passengers on board, the vessel was left to drift until the tide went down she would not fall over.

At break of day a scow was brought alongside the stern of the vessel. A platform was lighted from her bow port. This was necessary, as the tide to-day at noon was not as high by more than a foot as last night's tide. The William Joffe came around from the rear, and made fast to the steamer, with the result that the combined efforts of the engines of both brought her off, and she was soon tied up at her berth at Belleville street. She was expected to sail again this morning for the West Coast this afternoon at 3.

The steamer had a number of passengers aboard, including H. E. Newton, L. W. Waucho, G. Gass, Mrs. Southgate, C. L. Betterton, Mr. West, Mr. J. J. Munro, Mr. T. S. McB. Smith, R. T. Godman, H. H. Jones, and Messrs. Stevens and Coomes as well as 20 Indians and Chinese.

MILITARY DISPLAY FOR DRILL HALL

Grand Entertainment to Be Given Under Fifth Regiment.

The Victoria Day celebrations this year will be opened by the Fifth Regiment with a military drill in the drill hall on Saturday evening, May 23rd and 24th. Members of the regiment have been hard at work for the past four weeks and having secured the necessary equipment, the band will give a display of the physical drill.

One of the prettiest drills is the lance exercise given by the sergeants, who are determined to do the best. They will be anything none of the other teams shall beat them for smartness or finish. Cutlass drill will be carried out by the No. 1 company, and the band will play a march to the accompaniment of the physical drill.

Tugs-of-war will take place between the Navy, the Garrison and the Fifth Regiment. The last time the Navy took part in a tug-of-war at the drill hall against the Fifth Regiment, their tug lasted for twenty minutes, resulting in a win for the Navy. Although this was in 1903 it is still remembered among the members of the Fifth, and is used as a point from which to start. The Navy will furnish a display of dismounting and mounting a field gun. The new field battery not having yet arrived, the old 12 pounder has been borrowed for the occasion from the Barracks.

The humorous element will be furnished by a public meeting on household in which the contestants endeavor to cut the plumes off their opponents' helmets, the side that manages to keep their plumes flying the longest wins. The grand finale will be a tableau entitled "Forces of the Empire," illustrating various uniforms from different parts of the Empire.

Altogether the performance promises to be away ahead of anything of a similar nature that has been given in Victoria for many a year.

Mrs. Peacock (nee Beandlands), who was severely burned, the result of the upsetting of a lamp, at Port Arthur, and who was nearly immediately on her recovery, has suffered a serious relapse. The latest reports state that her condition is very critical.

The residents of Victoria West will hold a public meeting in Seattle hall, on Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock when the subject of the city council's action in agreeing to allow the Silver Spring Brewery permission to take 30 feet of Lime street for their purposes will be considered. Residents of Lime street object to the encroachment on that street and the whole question is to come up for discussion.

A large maple tree standing in front of the residence of Mrs. M. W. Waitt on Quadra street was cut down this morning in the course of preparing to lay a permanent sidewalk round the corner from the walk now being laid on the south side of the street.

Several citizens are protesting against the removal of the tree as an act of vandalism, pointing out that it had been there a long time, that being at the same time a landmark, and that they carefully preserve their shade trees, and that it is absurd to be planting young trees while cutting down the already existing and adding to the beauty of the city. It is explained, however, that the tree was partially dead, and for that reason was removed at this time.

SECURES BIG CONTRACT.

Toronto, May 15.—The Methodist bookroom was the successful tenderer for the government printing. The contract usually runs upwards of \$100,000 a year.

TACOMA MAN SHOT TO DEATH

MURDERED WHILE ON WAY HOME WITH WIFE

Assassin Fires Four Bullets Into Victim's Head—Motive a Mystery.

Tacoma, Wash., May 15.—Martin Kvalshaug, a tinner, 31 years old, was shot to death by an unknown assassin while walking home from a dance at midnight last night. Kvalshaug and his wife alighted from a street car at the corner of Puget Sound avenue and South Twelfth street and had just turned from the street into a road which leads toward their home, when pedestrians in the vicinity heard three shots, followed by a woman's screams, and then two more shots in quick succession.

Investigation revealed Kvalshaug, with four bullets in his head, lying dead in a pool of blood. He was alone. The motive for the crime is shrouded in mystery.

"We had just alighted from the car and turned into the road," said Mrs. Kvalshaug, "and I preceded my husband several feet. Suddenly I heard two shots, and turning, I saw a man running and Martin lying on the ground. I picked up his hat and laid it on his breast and then ran for my sister's home. The man who shot Martin ran toward town."

Domestic troubles have stirred the Kvalshaug family at times for several years, and two years ago they separated. Later they were reunited through the efforts of friends and on account of their children. Recently jealousy has sprung up between Kvalshaug and his wife, and there are said to have quarreled over a man who Kvalshaug thought had been paying his wife attention.

One mysterious feature of the case is a revolver missing from the Kvalshaug home. According to Mrs. Kvalshaug, it was always kept in the trunk, and she said her husband rarely carried it. When she looked for it to show it to the police this morning it was missing.

The dead man's left side is badly powder burned, showing that the murderer held the weapon close.

Victim of Conspiracy.

Tacoma, Wash., May 15.—(Later.)—Mrs. Martin Kvalshaug and Charles F. Newcombe, a laundry wagon driver, are under arrest at the city jail to-day charged with the murder of Martin Kvalshaug, who was shot down in cold blood at midnight last night.

Kvalshaug is said to be a victim of a conspiracy between his wife and the man now under arrest. After being closely questioned at the police station, for several hours to-day, Mrs. Kvalshaug admitted that she and Newcombe formed a plot to get her husband out of the way.

Newcombe and his wife, who live on South K Street, attended a dance given by the Woodmen at Pallas hall last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Kvalshaug also attended the dance, but, owing to rivalry of long standing between the male members of each family, Kvalshaug ordered his wife not to dance with Newcombe. Newcombe became incensed at this action, and it is alleged, preceded the Kvalshaugs to their home and shot Kvalshaug to death as he returned with his wife from the dance.

Newcombe Confesses.

Newcombe broke down in his cell this afternoon and confessed to the crime. The murder, according to Newcombe, was planned by Mrs. Kvalshaug and was perpetrated so that she would be free of her husband.

OPEN VERDICT IN BURNABY MYSTERY

No Evidence Forthcoming as to How Woman Met Her Death.

New Westminster, May 14.—The inquest on the body of the woman, which was found near Cliff's can factory, Burnaby, on Tuesday was held yesterday in the Municipal Hall, Burnaby, the jury returning an open verdict, saying that no evidence had been furnished as to how she met her death. The bottle, when analysed, was found to have contained carbolic acid. The preserved nature of the stomach was the only indication that poison might have been taken. Dr. Walker testifies that carbolic acid taken in a large enough quantity, would produce a coma that might leave the body in the position found.

HUDSON'S BAY BOATS REACH HAZELTON

Water in the Skeena is Very Low and Still Falling.

On Saturday at 10 o'clock the steamers Port Simpson and Hazelton, belonging to the Hudson's Bay Company, both arrived at Hazelton after a long and tedious trip up the Skeena. The vessels both passed the Kiteles cayon last Thursday, and a good deal of anxiety was felt at their not arriving at their destination before it was known, however, that there were a number of bad bars in the river, which the low state of the river would make it difficult to pass.

At the time the telegram was received this morning by the manager of the company in this city, the river was very low and the water falling. The steamers wait at Hazelton for rain before returning.

ANTS AID FRUIT GROWERS.

Ukiah, Cal., May 15.—Ranchers of this section are enthusiastic over a novel plan for combating the destructive fruit scale that has been discovered by Prof. Harlan.

Harlan learned that the ordinary black ant is a deadly foe to the scale, and the experiments tried by the Ukiah ranchers prove that a colony of the ants will rid a tree of its scale in surprisingly short time.

According to the method most popular among experimenters, a plate of sugar is placed near an ant hill, and when it becomes covered with the little insects, it is removed to a fork of the tree to be treated. The ants at once leave the sugar and attack the scale vigorously. When they have cleaned the tree of the pest, they again congregate on the sugar, and are removed to another tree. It is thought that the discovery will be worth thousands of dollars to the fruit growers.

MAKES SERVICE COMPULSORY

LORD ROBERTS WILL INTRODUCE BILL

Youths to Serve Four Continuous Months in Territorial Army.

London, May 15.—With certain exceptions, every English youth between the ages of 18 and 21 will be compelled to serve a term of four continuous months in the territorial army, if a measure now being prepared by the National Service League meets with the approval of parliament. Lord Roberts, president of the league, is one of the most enthusiastic supporters of the measure, and will introduce it in the House of Lords this month.

The object of the measure is to raise the standard of military efficiency in the reserves available in case of war. After the four months' service scheduled for infantry, to which two additional months may be added for other departments of service, two weeks' training in camp annually for three years will be compulsory. The men subjected to this training are to be under arms for the first three years until they are 30 years of age. No distinction raised by class or wealth will be considered as cause for exemption.

TWO MEN KILLED IN POWER STATION

One is Electrocuted and Other Crushed to Death by Derrick.

Salt Lake, May 15.—Two men were killed and another seriously injured yesterday, when a large derrick employed in pile-driving collapsed and fell across the high tension wires of the Telluride Power Company. The accident occurred at the Jordan river transformer station of the Utah Light & Railway Company in this city. The derrick gave way and fell to the ground, carrying with it a wire of 60,000 volts. This wire fell upon M. W. Wheeler, employed at the station as assistant operator, and burned him to death, while the frame of the derrick caught W. D. Freckelson and Andrew Weston, engaged in driving piles. Freckelson sustained a fracture of the skull and died a few hours later on the operating table. Weston escaped with serious injuries.

RAILWAYS BUYING

Millions of Dollars Will Be Spent During Present Year.

Chicago, May 15.—Orders received during the past week by railroad supply and equipment companies are evidence that the railroad interests are confident of an early return of normal business conditions. Many million dollars' worth of cars have been ordered, and countless inquiries received and bids asked.

The Western Pacific Company, the latest addition to the Gould system, has asked for bids on 1,500 freight cars to be used in western territory. The Santa Fe Company has rush orders for 500 furniture and automobile cars, and the Pacific Fruit Express has ordered the early construction of 1,500 refrigerator cars.

Jury at Kamloops Fails to Agree in Bribery Case.

Kamloops, May 14.—The spring assizes were brought to a close Wednesday afternoon, having been in progress before His Lordship Justice Clements for two days.

Johnny McLean, who is suspected of the murder of Michel Lakamp, but who was indicted on two charges, one of horse stealing and another of saddle stealing, was transferred to the next assizes at the request of the defence. The jury disagreed in the case of Ah Louie and Sing, the two Chinamen charged with attempting to bribe Mayor Robinson. They received their hearing on Tuesday afternoon. The next trial may be taken at Vancouver. The accused are out on bail.

MODEL OF FARM.

Berkeley, Cal., May 15.—With the assistance of students in the college of agriculture at the university of California, F. W. Roeding and E. J. Hoff of the irrigation department of the federal government, have constructed a model farm showing all the approved irrigation devices for exhibition at the Seattle exposition. The model is now on exhibition in the agricultural building on the university campus.

POLICE STOP BOUT.

New York, May 15.—The police stopped a boxing bout between Johnnie Glover, of Boston, and Johnny Murphy, of New York, at the Olympic A. C., at the end of the first round last night. The fighters, the president said, were the scorekeeper of the club were arrested.

INDIAN FOUND

Was Killed Near Kamloops Nearly Eight Months Ago.

Kamloops, May 14.—The body of Michael Lakamp, who was murdered on September 22nd last, was found at Tranquille Wednesday afternoon. It was in a terribly decomposed state, but the Indians found little difficulty in establishing identity.

The gruesome find was made by W. R. McAdoo, who saw the body floating in the lake. He summoned assistance and it was brought to shore.

Lakamp was murdered last September, and though the Indians have maintained a diligent search for the body, using every possible means, they were unsuccessful. The theory of the police that the man's body was thrown into the river after the murder has now been confirmed. The body is horribly battered and cut up.

ENLARGING POWER PLANT.

Vancouver, B.C., May 14.—The Vancouver Power Co. has given the contract for the enlargement of the tunnel between Lakits Coquitlam and Buntzen to the firm of Taylor Bros., of Huddersfield, England. The steadily increasing demand for power in Vancouver and vicinity necessitates the new unit, which will give another 30,000 horse-power. It will cost \$300,000. An increase of nearly 50 per cent. in the passenger traffic over the city lines of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company within a year was shown this morning when the company computed its percentage due the city for the business of April, according to the agreement covering the transit franchise within the limits. The amount of the cheque is \$1,920.00, which is to be compared with \$1,871.65, the amount for the corresponding month last year.

SUCCESSORS TO WOUND.

Toronto, May 15.—Charles M. Leach, the English traveller, who shot himself in the mouth three weeks ago, died in St. Michael's hospital this morning. Leach was the representative of an English jewellery manufacturing firm.

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The proposal of the board of Indian Reserves to the Board of yesterday, representing views expressed very much came up. The committee having and. This report was submitted by T. W. Paterson. The President of the Board of Indian Reserves, Mr. Paterson, has been settled. He was elected by the Point of view of the Indian Reserves. He was elected by the Point of view of the Indian Reserves. He was elected by the Point of view of the Indian Reserves.