NEW EMPRESSES FOR THE PACIFIC

C. P. R. Announces Two New Liners Will be Ready Within Eighteen Months

ORE CARRIERS FOR QUATSINO

James A. Moore Buys Wooden Steamers from Dollar Line to Carry Iron Ore to Puget Sound Mills

D. E. Brown, recently appointed manager of the C. P. R. steamers on the Pacific, has announced that two new Empress steamers, modelled after the Atlantic Manager will be built new Empress steamers, modelled alter the Atlantic liners, will be built without delay to be ready to be placed in service on the Pacific, 18 months hence when the present mail contract expires. Announcement was made in these columns some days ago that such a step was contemplated. The expires. Announcement was made in these columns some days ago that such a step was contemplated. The new liners, which will be improvements upon the Empress of Ireland and Empress of Britain, will have a speed of 171-2 knots and make the trip from Victoria to Yokohama under ten days. The fastest time made by the present Empresses is 10 days, 10 hours, made by the Empress of Japan some years ago. The run to Hongsome years ago. The run to Hong-kong will be made in from 17 to 19 days. The present mall contract calls for delivery of mails from London in for delivery of mails from London in Captain Worsen recently arranged. for delivery of mails from London in Hongkong and vice versa in 29 days. Under the new contract the time will be reduced to 27 days, and it is nec-the line and is now on his way to essary that new Empresses be placed in service to comply with these re-

ORE CARRIERS

Wooden Steamers Being Bought to Carry Ore from Quatsino

There will be a fleet of ore-carriers running to the iron mines which James
A. Moore, a Seattle capitalist purposes at Quatsino on the Vancou ver Island coast, carrying ore to the blast furnaces at Irondale and the steel plant at Seattle. James A. Moore ted to have taken over a number of the wooden steamers of the Dolper of the wooden steamers of the Dollar Steamship company for this purpose. The Dollar line is now building two large steel steamers at the Meran yards at Seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar is burner of the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden to be a seattle and Robert Dollar in the wooden the Dollar is buying other vessels on the Atlantic coast to replace the wooden Atlantic coast to replace the wooden steamers of the company's fleet which are being sold. James A. Moore reare being sold. James A. Moore re-cently bought the hull of the German steamer Mariechen from Schubach and Dollar and will have that vessel con-verted into a barge for carrying ore

TANGO MARU ARRIVES Mail Steamship Reached Port Yester-day From the Far East

The steamer Tango Maru, Captain Moses, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, reached port yesterday from the Orient, bringing 4000 tons of general freight, of which 560 tons was landed at this port. The cargo included 1156 bales of silk. The Tango brought 14 saloon, 13 intermediate and 315 steerage passengers. The passengers landed here were 4 intermediate—H. R. Kent, B. Morita and T. Tanaka and wife—and 87 Japanese, 2 Chinese, 13 Hindus and 7 Europeans, mostly Mon-With Superintendent Bury Tindus and 7 Europeans, mostly Montenegrins who have been employed on the Trans-Siberian railway and at Kharbin and Vladivostok. These artivals told of rioting at Harbin. The Tango Maru left at the same time as the Blue Funnel liner Tydeus, and ensountered fog after crossing the meri-dian. The steamer arrived off the

steamer Shinano Maru sailed

C. P. R. STEAMERS

Princess May for Sound Run-Princess Victoria Almost Ready

A force of painters and others are preparing the steamer Princess May to replace the Princess Beatrice on the ctoria-Seattle route next Tuesday. The Princess May has been overhauled and will be resplendent with new paint when she commences service. The steamer Princess Victoria, which

has been under repair for some time at the B. C. Marine Railway, is to be for service at the end of the will be again placed on the Victoria-Vancouver route on Feb

The steamer Princess Beatrice will be placed on the Victoria-Skagway route as soon as she leaves the Sound

The steamer Amur, from Skagway and other northern ports, was at Che-mainus yesterday, loading lumber, and will arrive today to load a further shipment of 30,000 feet of lumber for the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company, for use in building a fleet of barges and a new river steamer, as announced some days ago. The Amur will sail tonight.

The steamer Ofter returned yester-

MARINE NOTES

Yesterday was the anniversary of the steamer Valencia on the Vancouver Island coast near Cape Beale, a disaster involving the loss of 140 lives.

The Schaake Machine Works of New Westminster, has been given the contract for the new machinery for the new snag boat for Skeena river.

are reported the disposal of a fine residence at the corner of Linden avenue and Belcher street, the property of Mrs. Clay to E. B. Blackwood of this city. The price paid was \$10,000. Mrs. Clay has since purchased T. M. Henderson's fine residence, the consideration being \$8,000.

The British Columbia Land and Investment company reports the sale of a house at Esquimait for \$4,500 and of another on Bellot street for \$3,000. A large brick house on Michigan street has been purchased by H. H. Jones, the price being in the neighborhood of \$8,000. A. W. Jones reports the sale of a house and lot on the Dallas road to C. T. Penwill for \$2,700 and of a house and lot on the Dallas road to C. T. Penwill for \$2,700 and of a house and lot on Battery street to Dr. Milne for \$1,500.

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ORGANIZING STEAMSHIP

Capt. T. H. Worsnop and F. E. Dixon, Representing Company, Here From London

Capt. T. H. Worsnop, and F. E. Dixon, representatives of the Canadian-Mexican line arrived from London yes-Mexico to arrange for facilities at ports of call in Mexico

The steamers Georgia and Lonsdale, will be placed on the run, and the service will be inaugurated, on March 31. The steamer Georgia sailed from the Old Country early in January, and her sister ship, the Lonsdale, will leave Liverpool for Mexico about the end

of the present month.

The subsidy arrangements of the new service provide for a monthly service by two steamers of over 3,500 service by two steamers of over 3,500 tons, guaranteed A1 at less than 20 first-class and 100 'tweendeck passengers, and a speed of at least fen knots. Freight rates are subject to control of the government, ahd Canadian shippers are to have preference over all others. Freight rates on through bills of lading from points west of Lake Superior are not to exceed those from Coast points.

"To show how trade develops as soon as transportation facilities are

soon as transportation facilities are soon as transportation facilities are provided," said a prominent shipping man yesterday, "is indicated by the receipt of a request by T. J. Smith. president of the Diamond Vale Coal & Iron mines, from one of the largest coal-dealing companies in Mexico, asking for quotations on coal in shipload lots. At present coal for Mexico is sent from Pennsylvania at a very high figure."

With Superintendent Bury,

for Winnipeg, Mr. Whyte, in consulta-tion with President Shaughnessy and up more ground, where will be erected a other members of the Canadian Paci- hunting and fishing residence, which

The creation of a western staff with essities of the West, and the action just taken is another signal recogni-

ager, with jurisdiction extending from Lake Superior to the western held on the Eastern lines by James Leonard, formerly of Winnipeg. Mr. Bury's present position of gen-

eral superintendent goes to A. Price, superintendent of transportation, the latter position abolished. Superintendent Marpole, of the Pacific division, is to be assigned other duties at the coast, and his position is given to F. F. Busteed, assistant

chief engineer of the company.

The changes go into effect forth-

THAWING WATER PIPES Application of Electricity of Frozen

Conduits Proves a Success

chine from the British Columbia Electric Railway company in operation and with its help many frozen mains were attended to. The machine proved a splendid success, doing in a few hours work which it would have taken man days to accomplish days to accomplish. The apparatus is connected with the electric wires and the pipes to be treated, and the current is then turned on. The resistance of

THE REALTY MARKET

Several Transactions of Importance Recorded Yesterdam on Local Markets

The influx of Winnipeggers to this city has already had an expire, and several larges also have been reported within the last few days. Not only Northwest realty men restain that the set of the city has already in the last few days. Not only Northwest realty men restain that the set of the city has already in the last few days. Not only Northwest realty men restain that the last few days are not really and an expire and several larges also have been reported within the last few days. Not only only one of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state that there is a steady of the city state character is a ste

"Madame Butterfly" The local engagement of "Madame Butterfly," Puccini's great opera, has been cancelled. The subscription list was closed Tuesday evening, those signing not representing sufficient by any means to cover the cost of the

Eyes on Esquimalt A considerable quantity of property fronting on Esquimalt harbor changed hands yesterday, the eyes of the in-vesting public now being turned in that direction as a result of the belief which prevails generally that that point is soon to be the scene of great industrial activity. An interesting feature of the situation is the circumstance that only a very limited quantity of property is marketable in

LORD GREY'S WESTERN HOME. A Paradise for Those Retiring From

August Wolf in "Rod and Gun." Bordering the eastern shore of the beautiful Kootenay Lake and facing a panoramic series of mountain peaks, their caps glistening in the autumn snows, with Mt. Loki towering 10,000 ft. in the distance and the glaciers of the Duncans overlooking the headlands, is the shooting ground which Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, has just acquired in southern British Columbia, northeast of Spokane. James Johnson, First Vice President of the Nelson Agricultural Society, has been installed as keeper, and it is likely the representative of King Edward in the Dominion will bring out a party from Ottawa some

time this winter for an old-fashioned The Grey lodge will be in the midst of The Grey lodge will be in the midst of such scenery as can be only equaled, not surpassed, by the famed Swiss Alps. The grounds leading to the hills are the haunts of white tail deer and caribou, while deeper into the mountain recesses may be found, silver tip and grizzly bear and the finest specimens of mountain boat and sheep.

The grounds have a frontage of nearly half a mile on the lake, the only place of habitation at present being a log hut. It is planned to reach the lodge by steamer, when the new line is put into

operation on Kootenay Lake. The near est neighbor is at Kuskanouk, eight miles south. On the shore of the lake thrive grouse, golden pheasant and quali, and off the pebbly shore dart trout of the Dolly Varden and Rainbow varieties, which, fishermen say, are worthy the skill and rod of any expert. A few miles below on the Kootenay flats may be had some of the best duck shooting in the Againstry. DF C. P. R. OFFICIALS

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Sportsmen in Spokane do not wonder that once having seen the famous hunting and fishing grounds in the northern part of the Inland Empire, Earl Grey did not hesitate to become owner of a vast acreage. When his son, Lord Howick, who has hunted big game in Africa and shot over the best preserves in England and Scotland, saw the scenery, heard the calling of the grouse and the whistle of the early teal, the turf springing from the sharp hoof prints of an alarmed whitetail before his eyes, the first tract proposed was not sufficient

Montreal, Jan. 23.—Before leaving first tract proposed was not sufficient fic executive, arranged to have official also to serve as a ranch house. It will changes in the West carried out. The changes in the West carried out. The be beautified with lawns and gardens, appointments have been made, and a which will make an ideal spot and atcircular confirming them and notify-ing all officials will be issued forth-visits of Earl Grey and his sportsmen William Randolph Hearst has an opmanagerial authority has long been tion on a tract adjoining Earl Grey's recognized as one of the pressing neclands, and Johnson is of the impression

iust taken is another signal recognition of the growing importance of the worthy of note is the abandonment of the schemes for a cabinet and of the western part of Canada.

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Johnson was patient, as all good fishermen are, and Mrs. Hearst proved an apt pupil in his hands. The following day Johnson received a basket contain-

ing seven beauties, with these words on Mrs. Hearst's card: "My first catch; thank you. Johnson is enthusiastic over the out-Johnson is enthusiastic over the outlook for the coming season, and declares
the present one should bring a number
of prominent sportsmen, since all kinds
of big and small game are abundant,
and every place of vantage does not
bristle with rifles and fowling pieces.

He has numerous trophies of the hunt
this library whore he presses his odd that he understands the art of budding and grafting as well as he does that of potting a deer at the first shot. There are two trophies to which he points with just pride: One is the blue ribbon awarded at the London Horticultural Exposition in 1905, when his fruit exhibit outclassed the best grown in any part of the British Empire; the other, the 54-inch spread of antlers of a buil moose bagged several years ago.

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THE GREAT EMPORIUM OF THE GREAT WEST

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

ON SALE FRIDAY

THE FOLLOWING

LADIES' BLACK SILK BLOUSES, peau de soie and soft taffeta silks, regular \$3.75 to \$6.50. January Sale \$2.00 LADIES' WHITE SILK BLOUSES - Balance of Ladies' White Silk Blouses, regular \$3.75 to \$5.00. January sale, \$2.00 LADIES' FLANNEL BLOUSES-Balance of Ladies' Flannel Blouses, regular \$2.00 to \$3.50. January sale 50c LADIES' BATH APRONS, regular 50c. January sale 25c ALL-WOOL UNDERWEAR, heavy grey, regular 85c. Friday 45c HEAVY WOOL SOX, regular 20c. Friday 15c WOOL UNDERWEAR, medium weight, regular 75c. Friday.50c HEAVY WOOL MIXTURE, regular 50c. Friday 350 HEAVY MIXTURE SOX, regular 15c. Friday 10c BOYS' SHIRTS—Heavy cotton print, plain and pleated fronts, regular 75c and \$1.00. Friday 50c BOYS UNDERWEAR-Heavy all-wool, regular 40c to 75c. Friday, 50c down to 30c ENGLISH SILK TIES, regular 25c. Friday, two for 25c

Millinery Department

LADIES' CHENILLE AND VELVET BONNETS, trimmed tips and aigrettes, regular \$5.00 to \$10.00. January sale.... \$3.50 and \$5.00

DRESS HATS-Remainder of season Dress Hats, regular \$7.00 to \$12.50. January sale \$3.50 TRIMMED HATS, all colors, regular \$3.00 to \$7.50. January

NETS, regular \$1.00 to \$2.50. January sale 50c. Dress Goods Department

CHILDREN'S SILK AND BEARSKIN HATS AND BON-

A large variety of materials in colors and black remnants. lengths from 11/2 to 7 yards. January sale, \$5.00 down to 50c

Men's Clothing Department

ON SALE FRIDAY

We make you today the best offer ever made in the clothing business of Victoria

MEN'S IMPORTED TWEED SUITS, sizes 35 to 44, in all the newest patterns and latest cuts; regular \$6.50 \$10.00 to \$12.50. January sale......

MEN'S TOP SHIRTS-Dark flannel, regular 35c. Friday ... 25c

Lace Department WHITE EMBROIDERED MUSLIN FRONTS FOR BLOUSES, regular \$1.75 to \$2.25. January sale 500 CIRCULAR YOKES, suitable for making blouses, made of Valenciennes lace, insertion and embroidery, regular \$1.75. January sale 25

Gents' Hat Department

These Stiff Hats are not old stock or out-of-date styles, but good clean stock in the newest blocks. Our reasons for this startling offer are that we have more coming in for Spring, and have decided to clear this line out; regular \$1.50

Ladies' Hosiery Department

LADIES' PLAIN BLACK PLEATED CASHMERE HOSE,

LADIES' HEAVY RIBBED HOSE, wide and narrow, wool and cotton mixture, size 91/2 only. January sale 250

Cotton Goods Department

EMNANTS OF WASH GOODS in Prints, Ginghams, Flannels, etc. January sale, \$1.00 down to 100

Mantle Department

On Sale Friday, the Following

LADIES' ALL-WOOL TWEED WALKING SKIRTS, sevengored, with full flare, colors dark and light grey, green and brown mixtures, dark checks and invisible plaids; \$2.90 regular \$4.00. January sale.....

LADIES' DRESSING GOWNS-German filannel, colors blue, green and pink, full bias back, sailor collar with @1 95 LADIES' DRESSING GOWNS-German flannel, colors green, blue and red, full bias backs, yoke lined with flannel, deep collar trimmed with braid; regular \$2.75. \$2.25

LADIES' DRESSING JACKETS in French and German Flannel, colors pink, white, blue and red, full box backs, collar trimmed with lace, full sleeves with deep cuffs; \$1 90

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A BURDETT-COUTTS STORY.

The edict itself thinks that the great difficulty which has been encountered in the reform movement is "worship of the past," for nowhere does the dead hand weigh more heavily upon the living than in China, and the first essential to success in a new movement is to show either that it is not an innovation or at least that it is no hostile to the spirit fathers.

One Man, One Officer.

The chief feature in the edict is the manifest endeavor to approach the ideal of "one man, one office." Equally important is the abolition of the useless multiplication of offices, and, with the exception of the board of foreign relations, whose composition can not be cheesed without exemples of the post of the page. The late Baroness Burdett-Coutts, ever so ready as she was to unloose the purpose of the benefit of the port of the benefit of the port of the past," for nowhere does the dead hand weigh more heavily upon the living the port of the port of the past," for nowhere does the dead hand weigh more heavily upon the living that there was no imposition in connection with her efforts to relieve, the proposition of the port of course, to personally investing the many the many one office."

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the powers, there will henceforth be
only one head to each of the gyverning boards.

Some of the old designations are
quite obsolete and the titles have been
modernized. The board of punishments was never fully described in the
title. It will now be called the board
of law, corresponding with our department of justice. While the time is not
ripe for the establishment of a parliament, a partial substitute is afforded
by the appointment of a council "to
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back yard, where he found refuge.
Last week they appeared in large numbers in Smithville, about five to seven miles distant from Saskatoon.

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ability and integrity

Conservative organ as its president. who were sorry twas unable to cor Victoria, he having to take the field ag son, the Liberal ca ands district. At Phillips is busy whom he is confid ergetically and wit success. At the ration he affirmed the seat for the M and that he will d if any reliance me the gratifying repo ing received from trict. It is not say that Mr. McPh friends in Victoria triumphant victor come of the fight The progress of not be better illu-

PRIMITIVE It's Like a Getting

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