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THE CITY

The Cariboo mine of Camp McKinney has declared another dividend of two cents a share. This makes the thirteenth dividend from the mine.

The Horsely Gold Mining Co. of San Francisco, has declared an assessment of 25 cents per share, payable on or before the 21st day of December next, at 610 Clay street, San Francisco. R. R. Ward is the secretary of this company.

SLIGHT-RINDING in the slush was the favorite pastime of Victorians yesterday, and the novel sight was recorded of ladies in their furs seated comfortably in their sleighs to witness football games contested with enthusiasm despite the slippiness of the whitened field.

The British Columbia Pioneer Society have appointed a committee to arrange for the reunion of the pioneers and their friends on December 4, and the annual banquet at the Occidental promises to surpass even the very satisfactory spread of last year.

ALEXANDER McTAGGERT was in the police court yesterday convicted of assaulting the woman with whom he has been living for some time past, being sentenced to one month's imprisonment at hard labor with a fine of \$12 in default of payment of the fine imprisonment for a further term of thirty days.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Henrietta Gordon Graham took place yesterday afternoon from her residence, 127 Menzies street, and from St. James church, services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Sweet. The pallbearers were T. E. Woodbridge, B. S. Oddy, R. E. Gopnell, M. McGregor, G. Burrell, and S. Leigh.

Great interest is being displayed by the members of the Local Council of Women in the arrangements for Lady Aberdeen's visit. The Countess will arrive on Thursday evening, and on Friday at 8 p.m. a reception will be held in the council chamber, to be followed by an address from Lady Aberdeen. The meeting is open to the public and a large gathering is expected.

DEATH from diphtheria brought the childhood days of Margaret Marcella Meyer, daughter of the well known skipper of the C.P.N. steamship Danube, to a close on Friday night. The funeral took place from the family residence, Dallas road yesterday morning, the services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Sweet. The father of the little girl is at present in charge of the steamship Islander now at Comox, and only learned of the sickness and death of his child by wire.

The newly organized Victoria Choral Union have their first practice on Wednesday evening at the Y.M.C.A. rooms. So favorably has the venture been received that already over sixty ladies and gentlemen have enrolled themselves as members. Mr. Wm. Greig has been chosen conductor, and the other members of the committee are Messrs. J. G. Brown, H. Kent, C. A. Lombard, Wm. Muir (secretary), and J. E. Martin (treasurer). The Choral Union will devote their attention chiefly to practicing selections from the Oratorios, and intend giving their first concert in March.

ARE THEY DROWNED?

Fears are entertained for the safety of Arthur Lane and James Hunter, who left Sidney in an open boat for Victoria on Thursday last, and have not yet been heard of. It seems only too likely that they have gone to swell the number of victims of the icy waters of the gulf. It was only a few days ago that the story was published of the accident to Arthur Lane's father, Mr. Vernon Lane, who was badly hurt by a fall over a small precipice while hunting in Saanich district. Arthur Lane, after the accident, brought his father back to town, and then on Thursday, in company with James Hunter—a young Cardiff man who had been in charge of the tug Alert during all the canning season at Nootka Sound, and had only just passed his examination for mate's papers—started off from Sidney to bring back to town the boat and camping outfit which was to have been used in the hunting expedition. Since then neither Lane nor Hunter have been seen. The boat they set out in was a new one, painted white, with blue streaks on the gunwale, and was about twenty feet long. Mr. Wood, of Gordon Head, has reported to the provincial police that he picked up a boat exactly answering the description, floating bottom-up in Cordova bay on Friday. It had evidently been capsized in full sail, as the sails were still set. It may be that the men have got ashore on one of the islands between here and Sidney, but it seems as if in that event by this time they would have been discovered by someone and the news brought to the city. The police launch will go out this morning to search for the missing men.

CHAMPIONS OF CANADA.

TORONTO, Nov. 21.—The great match for the championship of Canada, played on Rosedale grounds this afternoon between Ottawa College and Toronto University resulted in a triumph for the visitors. The match was played in two inches of snow, which fact tended to interfere with brilliant play, but the style of the game was rather above than below the average in the Ontario union. Some supporters of Varsity held that the state of the grounds and the deadened condition of the ball were all in favor of Ottawa, and against the Toronto team. They based this assertion on the fact that the snow and slush interfered with Varsity's usual open game, while aiding and abetting the close tactics customary among the Easterners. The result of the game was: Ottawa College, 12; University, 8.

COWICHAN AGAIN DEFEATED. Twice defeated in as many games during a two day visit to the Capital, the Cowichan footballers who played the mighty Wanderers yesterday, return home today humiliated but pleased with the manner of their reception here and determined on reciprocating at an early date. Play was carried on yesterday in four inches of snow with a stiff breeze from the north and with large white flakes descending fast and thick. All however appeared to enjoy the weather and pronounced the game one of the best played this season on Beacon Hill. It stood at the finish 7 to 1 in favor of the home men, and this, too, was

achieved in spite of the fact that the visitors' strength was augmented by the playing of Stewart, Hall and Rand, the three crack men of the Barracks team. The Wanderers had to choose a man of the field in starting, but they were equal to any emergency. Resey Petticrew, the Gowards and Mr. Cann putting up a great game. They took five goals in the first half, but for the remainder of the play their opponents were better nerved to business, taking a goal shortly after rest, and keeping the score of the Wanderers to the modest number of two. In the evening the Cowichans gave an invitation dinner to the Victorians in the Occidental, when the two sides exchanged, and a large gathering did justice to a tempting table, provided by the genial host, Mr. Walter Porter.

HERE AND THERE.

The snow put an effectual stop to the intention of holding the race for the Hall cup yesterday, and for the same reason the football match between the Navy and the Victoria Rugby Club was postponed.

The Vancouver Island Plowing Association met at Saanichton yesterday, when prizes were arranged for in connection with the annual competition next Saturday to complete arrangements, for which the committee meets at the Clarence hotel Friday evening. The prize list will be considerably larger than last year's, and in addition there will be valuable special prizes in all events.

The special tournament of the J.B.A.A. is to be held on Tuesday evening of this week, Thursday being Thanksgiving Day.

Handicaps and rules for the approaching tournament of the Victoria Chess Club were drafted last evening and the committee will meet to make final arrangements on Tuesday.

At Manhattan Field yesterday Princeton defeated Yale at football, 34 points to 6.

At Philadelphia yesterday the University of Pennsylvania defeated Harvard's footballers—8 to 6.

The Y.M.C.A. and E.M.A. Association football teams did not have their anticipated match yesterday, snow being the cause.

LUMBERING ON THE OTTAWA

A LIFE OF GREAT HARDSHIP AND EXPOSURE.

River Drivers Often Waist Deep in icy Waters—Pain-Racked Bodies the Frequent Outcome—Only the Most Robust Can Stand This Weary Round of Toll.

Only those who have engaged in the arduous occupation of lumbering know how dearly earned is their livelihood, for among the many vocations of men that of lumbering ranks among the most dangerous and difficult. There is the heavy shanty labor from earliest dawn to evening star when the toiler for half the year is remote from home and friends, and whose daily round is to eat and work and sleep, only getting an occasional glimpse of the outside world through a long looked for letter from some loved one far away.

The days lengthen, the frozen lake breaks up, and comes the driving of logs and timber down the tortuous, swift running stream, when necessity often calls the diver to wade body deep in the swift flowing icy waters. Note that the swimmer can engage in such heavy labor, only the most robust can stand the ten hours of daily toil, with but a mid-day hour's respite. Such is brief the life of many thousands of laborers in the Ottawa valley.



and among the many is Thos. Doble, of 130 Head street, Chaudiere, who for twelve long years has wrought for the great lumber king, J. R. South, shantying in the snowy northern forests, and lifting three inch dead during the summer heats. It is not to be wondered at that in his long experience and great exposure he should contract a severe cold that in time took permanent lodging in the region of his loins and kidneys. Like many others he thought to work it off but in vain. Soon the pains in the region of the kidneys became so intense that labor was a torture to him, and it was only the indomitable courage, born of a knowledge that others were dependent on him, that urged him to pursue his weary round of daily toil. Every sudden movement of the body was a trial for other ailments which he should have been cured of long since, but he was dependent on him, that urged him to pursue his weary round of daily toil. Every sudden movement of the body was a trial for other ailments which he should have been cured of long since, but he was dependent on him, that urged him to pursue his weary round of daily toil.

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LACHUTE, Nov. 21.—A young man named Burke, while driving across the railway track at St. Philippe station today, was struck by the Ottawa train and fatally injured.

ALBERNI MINES.

The Wagon Road Completed to the Alberni and Milling Commenced.

A Cash Offer for the Mine—Work to Be Pushed on the Quadra Group.

The wagon road from the shaft of the Alberni Consolidated to the mill at De Beaux is now completed, and an excellent road is the result. The stamp mill is now running full blast, there being plenty of ore from the mine to keep it going, and gold bricks will soon be the order of the day. The diamond drill has been at work all along and has demonstrated the fact that there is an abundance of high grade gold quartz in the Alberni claim, while the building of the wagon road has uncovered several ledges, that on the Warespite claim being a very fine one. It is reported that an offer of \$500,000 cash has been made for the whole of the Consolidated Alberni Co.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Quadra Gold Mining Company held on Thursday last, it was decided to rebuild the house destroyed by fire last summer, and to continue sinking on the shaft of the Last Chance claim and also to do some prospecting on the Quadra and Ophir claims, there being well defined ledges on both of these. The recent discovery of a north and south ledge on the Warespite by the workers on the wagon road shows that there is a ledge on the Last Chance claim of the Quadra group which has not yet been uncovered.

TEMPORARY ABERRATION

NANAIMO, Nov. 21.—(Special)—At the inquest on the body of Marcus Wolfe today a verdict was given of "death by his own hand during a fit of temporary aberration." The body was buried in Portland, Ore. The dreadful deed was premeditated, as apparent from the fact that he had placed a small looking-glass in position so that he could take direct aim for his fatal shot. For many years he was a partner in the Pioneer Red House firm of Mayer & Co., of this city, his father-in-law, the late Alex. Mayer, being the senior partner.

Mr. Wolfe was born in California about 51 years ago and has been in British Columbia over 35 years, having been connected at Yale and in the Cariboo districts with the firm of Oppenheimer Bros., of Vancouver, to whom he is related. He leaves a wife and daughter, over whom he had great affection.

Mr. Stirtan left Mr. Wolfe at the waterworks office about 10 o'clock yesterday, and he was then as cheerful as usual. On returning at 1 o'clock he discovered that a small looking glass had disappeared. He then noticed a smell of gunpowder, and going into the office found Mr. Wolfe in a chair in the north-west corner of the office, his head leaning towards the left, and a bullet hole in his right temple. He was still alive but very near his end. His wife had completely pierced his skull. There was a chair on each side of him and on the one on the left was a mirror which he had evidently used to shoot by. On the desk were two letters, one addressed to Capt. Begmont, of the American steamer Bonanza, recently sent to this city of a peculiar condition of affairs on the Hermit islands. He said the ship was blown out of its course and anchored one day close to one of the islands. He was astonished to see none but women on the coral reef, for it was hardly more than that. They swam like normal to the ship, they told the condition of affairs and wanted the captain to leave some of his sailors. They said they would help on them all the honor of husbandless women that has moved him to project this enterprise. He says it is dissatisfaction with the condition of the labor world and a desire to lead a peaceful existence, without having to struggle day and night for bread and butter. He wants to form a republic on the co-operative lines. He says as it is in the South sea, the islands support the natives with very little work, and by combining forces and pooling interests he believes this proposed band can be made to support the natives with very little work. The scheme is for fifty men to put in \$25 each. With this money he expects to buy a schooner and provisions for the voyage and to start on a whaler's island. He may be decided to settle upon. On first landing he will build a fort and then take possession. He will take seeds and fruit trees, and Reinhardt says in a few years they ought to be exporting great quantities of South Sea Island products.

NANAIMO, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Burnette, a young man arrested here, charged with murder in Louisville, Ky., has gone back to that city.

HERE FOR REPAIRS.

Bark "Zinita" Floats Off the Beach at Gray's Harbor and Enters Esquimalt.

Steamer "Tees" Brings In a Wedding Couple—The "Columbine's" Good Work.

In tow of the tug Tye, of Port Townsend, the British bark Zinita arrived in Esquimalt yesterday, to be hauled on the marine ways to-day for an overhauling. The Zinita, as will be remembered, went ashore on the beach north of Gray's Harbor, nearly two weeks ago, and it was late on Friday afternoon that she was successfully floated. Her rescue was effected through the combined power of a tug and a donkey engine manipulated aboard the disabled vessel, connected with two large anchors placed far out in the surf. When the accident befel the Zinita she was coming her course for the Columbia, in ballast from Nagasaki. She was stranded for ten days, and just what damage her bottom sustained in that time is hardly known. She is a craft of nearly 1,600 tons burden, and in considerable part of this her treatment on the blocks will likely be considerable. In the same manner as she was floated another stranded vessel, the Glenmorag, will probably be freed from its difficulties close by the scene of the Zinita's troubles.

OCTOBER'S SHIPPING TRADE. In their regular monthly shipping report, R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., thus comment upon the business done during October: "The rather unusual condition of the grain market has caused the demand for tonnage to range all the way from excitement to complete indifference, but the tendency of rates has been steadily downward. Much uncertainty exists as to the probable requirements of India and other countries while the crop has failed more or less, and until the position is more clearly seen the market is likely to be subject to much fluctuation. In the case of lumber vessels the inquiry has been vigorous, considering the advanced season of the year, the rates continue unsatisfactory to owners. As customary at this time we publish a supplement giving final figures for the sailings made by Canadian vessels. It will be observed that there is again a serious falling off in the tonnage of the month, which is a sign of a very quiet season for the entire season."

THE GALLANT "COLUMBINE." The lighthouse tender Columbine returned from an exciting and rather eventful trip to Destruction island and Shoalwater bay this afternoon, says an Astoria dispatch of yesterday. Off Gray's Harbor on Thursday morning she sighted the schooner Chas. Hanson, which had just crossed out from the harbor under such difficulties as to disabuse of the crew with a broken leg. The gale was so high that she could not return, and Captain Richardson, upon request, took the injured man to Hoquiam, where he could receive surgical attention. On the way out of harbor another schooner, lying broadside on the beach, proved to be the San Beuna-yeffira. A line was passed between the schooner and an attempt made to pull her off, but the tide was falling, and after parting the hawser Captain Richardson was forced to give it up, after leaving the schooner in a protected position.

FROM THE WEST COAST. Among the passengers by the steamer Tees arriving from West Coast points yesterday afternoon were two young people from Euclet who did not appear to wear the ordinary travellers' fatigued and aimless expression upon disembarking. They had a purpose in view, and this purpose was manifested in their every action. They had come down to Victoria to be married, and it is understood to spend their honeymoon here. The steamer's complete passenger list is: King, G. S. Roach, G. S. Roach, and wife, Captain Balcom, Captain Foley, J. Margateh, W. H. Sigrard, Miss Gibson, J. King, J. Coppeland, W. Lorimer, W. King, W. Westcott, C. Russell, J. S. Emery, J. J. Baird and wife, and W. McKinnon.

A NEW POINT.

The question as to whether J. A. Lawrence had a right to elect for speedy trial was argued before Mr. Justice McColl yesterday, the point at issue being raised for the first time in this province. Mr. Cassidy acting for the crown consented to the withdrawal of the plea of "not guilty" made by Lawrence at the assizes, but contended that inasmuch as Lawrence had not been committed for trial by the magistrate, but had only been held to bail, he did not come within the provisions of the Speedy Trials act. Mr. S. Perry Mills for the defence, argued that with regard to the withdrawal of the plea and the question of speedy trial the consent of the crown was not required; that all that was requisite was the consent of the accused, and the matter was then one for judicial discretion. Mr. H. D. Helmecken, Q.C., followed, urging on behalf of the defence that the act of the magistrate in holding Lawrence to bail was equal to a commitment for trial, for if Lawrence had not found bail he would have been remanded to custody. Mr. Justice McColl reserved until Monday his decision on the point raised, when Mr. Bodwell, though engaged on the Behring Sea commission, will act with Messrs. Helmecken and Mills for the defence.

With regard to the case of the Messrs. Young, the decision on the nuisance case was adjourned until December 4.

The grand jury met at 11 o'clock on Monday and will, it is expected, hand in their presentment then to the Court.

CROW'S NEST PASS RAILWAY.

MONTREAL, Nov. 20.—(Special)—There is a rumor emanating from well informed circles that at the next session of parliament the Dominion government will make a large loan to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in order to enable the company to rapidly complete the Crow's Nest Pass railway. The government, it is said, will take the C.P.R. lands as security.

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THE BLOCKADE LIFTED

Nine Days' Accumulated Mails and Delayed Passengers Arrive in Vancouver.

Traffic Resumed Where Twenty-Five Miles of Track Was Buried Under Snow.

"The C.P.R. is now clear and trains are again running through without transfer or delay. The first through train since the block arrived here today and the train which left Vancouver to-day has passed the scene of the recent block and is on time. All delayed mails and passengers arrived in Vancouver this evening." So reads a Vancouver telegram of last evening, from the district offices of the road to the agents in this city. The news it contains will be received with rejoicing by the entire community, for business and private interests have suffered considerably during the cessation of communication with the East. Last night's Chatterer did not bring any of the delayed mails, the trains not yet having arrived in the Terminal City when she sailed; she had, however, two or three of the delayed passengers who succeeded in passing the break, and who have an interesting tale to tell of their adventures in the snow. A Seattle despatch of yesterday says: All trains on the Northern Pacific are running on time with the single exception of those on the branch between Tacoma and Seattle, and it is expected that trains will be running on this line by to-night. In the meantime the Kingston is carrying all passengers and mails between the two Sound cities.

FOSTER'S VISIT TO HAWAII.

HONOLULU, Nov. 12, via steamer Alameda to San Francisco Nov. 19.—Ex-Secretary of State, John W. Foster recently arrived here from San Francisco. A great many reasons have been assigned for his visit. Finally it has been ascertained that he is here in the interests of the cable company holding the contract made between Col. Spaulding and the Hawaiian government at the special session of the legislature held last year. The Spaulding option expires in two months, and Foster's visit is for the purpose of having the contract extended another year. The proposition is now being considered by the government, but public opinion is against granting Spaulding or any company a second exclusive privilege. Foster expects to have the matter settled by November 21, when he will leave for San Francisco.

BROOKVILLE, Nov. 21.—William Spellman, a cripple, who has been in jail since last June, attempted to burn the building yesterday morning. He divested himself of all his clothes, even to his socks, piled them in a heap in the cell and set them on fire. He also tore off a piece of a bench and placed it with the clothing. The fire was making good headway when discovered by the turnkey. It was quickly extinguished. Merritt—Man was made to mourn, you know. Ours—And what was woman made for? Merritt—To make him do so, I suppose.—Truth.