ROSE EARLY FOR DINNER

The Board of Aldermen Hold a Short Session and Disperse in an Hour to Attend the Banquet.

Returning Officers Elected—Rock Bay Bridge Again—Will the Mayor Be Returned by Acclamation?

Ald. MacGregor was sufficiently recovered from his late severe illness to be able to occupy his customary seat at the council board last evening, and there was a full attendance when the mayor took the chair at 8:15. The business transacted was largely of a routine nature, and as his worship and some of the aldermen had to attend the Sons of England banquet the session lasted but little over an hour.

After the minutes had been duly adopted, communications were read as follows: From the secretary of the British Columbia Board of Trade, enclosing a few copies of the annual report of the board and asking the council's wishes in regard to the number required by the city for distribution. Laid over for one week on the motion of Ald. Bragg. From Right Rev. Bishop Christie, asking permission to remove Institute hall from its present site and to make some alterations in the structure; to fire wardens and building inspector with power to act. From T. C. Sorby, enclosing a plan of his proposed harbor scheme for the use of the council, and a copy of the proposed act to be introduced into the federal house, with some remarks upon the same. Ald. Humphrey moved that the letter be received and filed and that Mr. Sorby be thanked for the same. Ald. Hall seconded, but Ald. Phillips suggested the advisability of the council meeting Mr. Sorby and learning the full details of the scheme and of his proposition for raising the necessary money. He moved that a special meeting be called to meet Mr. Sorby, but Ald. Williams suggested that Ald. Phillips allow the motion to pass, and if Mr. Sorby desired to meet the council his worship could arrange with him. Ald. Humphrey had a copy of the plan and agreed that it is a good scheme if it can be carried out. Ald. Hall and Humphrey withdrew their motion in favor of the amendment, and a special meeting will be held on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, to which Mr. Sorby will be invited.

John C. Darling, a confectioner, wrote a long letter complaining of the injustice done to him by the bread sale by-law, which he believed did not apply to his business, as he made only fancy bread or cake. The "savage" fine of $25 had been imposed upon him by Magistrate Macrae, who had failed to take the evidence of the defendant on oath, and his right of appeal was lost. Another case came up after Mr. Macrae's dismissal, before Magistrates Belyea and Dalby, and in that case "French roll" was considered by them as exempt from the bread by-law, and the writer thought this proved the truth of his claim that a hardship had been inflicted upon him. He asked a refund of the $25 fine and $5 paid for legal advice. The attorney-general had been appealed to and recommended the applicant to apply to the mayor and aldermen. Ald. Phillips moved that the letter be referred to the mayor and city solicitor, with power to act and report to the council.

His worship did not see how the council could remit items, but Ald. Williams thought it was never too late to right a wrong. Ald. Humphrey thought there was no hardship in the case; he had heard that the hardship was in the last case and upon the city. Ald. MacGregor defended the by-law and moved that the writer of the letter be informed that it is impossible to return moneys paid for fines. Ald. Kinsman thought if wrong had been done it should be remedied. Ald. Wilson had seconded Mr. MacGregor's amendment, which being put was defeated by 6 to 3, and the original motion, referring the letter to the mayor and the legal advisers, was carried.

From James Lee & Sons, calling attention to the need of opening up David street for vehicular traffic, saying that not a dollar had been expended upon it in spite of the promises of aldermen during the last eight or nine years. To the street committee for report.

Ald. Bragg asked if the city solicitor had communicated to the B. C. Electric Railway Co. the resolution passed at the last meeting, and was informed that he had, no reply being expected until the superintendent in Vancouver had been referred to.

Applications were received for positions of polling clerks and were referred to Mr. Northcott, and a list of applicants for deputy returning officers was received from him.

The following report was received from the city engineer:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen: In compliance with a resolution of the city council referring to the city engineer the suggestion of the B. C. Electric Railway Co., relative to the strengthening of Point Ellice bridge in such a manner as to allow of unrestricted tramcar traffic, I have the honor to report that the portion of Point Ellice bridge supported on piles could, at a comparatively small expense, be made sufficiently strong for all purposes of tramcar traffic. As regards the truss span, although I consider it perfectly safe for all traffic as regulated by existing by-laws, I would recommend that, if heavier traffic is to be provided for, a new truss be erected, designed for the purpose for which it is intended to be used, instead of attempting to strengthen the existing truss.

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. WIDMOT,
City Engineer.

Received and a copy ordered to be sent to the company.

The street committee recommended as follows:

That a concrete gutter be laid on the west side of Government street, between Yates and Johnson, estimated cost $91; that $50 be spent in repairing Garbally road; that $150 be expended in placing beach gravel on St. Charles street; and that a tar surface be laid on the Fort street cinder sidewalk, on the south side, between Vancouver and Cook streets, estimated cost $65.

Ald. Phillips objected to the proposed expenditure on Charles street, and moved it be disallowed, but found no seconder, the report being adopted.

The electric light committee reported that after careful consideration they recommended that the city electrician should not be allowed to act as inspector of wiring, and that Mr. Paterson's offer to supply an electric lamp at the entrance to Hillside avenue station be accepted, the city erecting the necessary pole. Adopted.

When the voting for the election of deputy returning officers came up it was decided to select four. Ald. Humber wanted to know why four were necessary, supposing the mayor was elected by acclamation. His worship said he couldn't remember any such event occurring in Victoria as the election of mayor by acclamation, but was laughingly told by Ald. Bragg that stranger things happen sometimes. Messrs. Dearberg, Richards, Falconer and Spragge were elected to the positions, each having obtained a majority of the votes cast. Mr. F. G. Richards will act as deputy returning officer for the election of mayor; J. H. Falconer for the North ward; T. Dearberg in Central, and David Spragge in South ward.

Ald. Humphrey's motion fixing the date of nomination for January 8th and the polling, if necessary, on the 12th, was carried, and the council rose at 9:20 o'clock.

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RUSSIAN BEAR IN CHINA

Russians Hurriedly Placing Port Arthur and Talienwan in a State of Defence—Vast Array in Manchuria.

Consider Their Position Critical Until the Trans-Siberian Railway is Completed—Manchurian Railway Begun.

Despatches to the Japan Advertiser, files of which were received by the Empress of India from North China, say that during the past month the Russians have been working with feverish haste in order to place Port Arthur and Talienwan in a state of defence, their position in the Far East being considered critical until the trans-Siberian railway has been completed. They have commenced the work of constructing the railway in Manchuria.

The Japan Herald says that Russia has at the present moment available for active service—in addition to the troops at Vladivostock, Possiet, and Port Arthur—not less than 125,000 men, with flying artillery and a strong contingent of cavalry. And these troops, instead of being concentrated on and along the Amur, a thousand miles from the Chinese border, are now largely distributed all over the Russo-Chinese frontier district, throughout Manchuria, and on lines converging on the three high roads to the capital of the Celestial Kingdom, Pekin itself.

Three battalions hold the road between Aigun and Morgen, three battalions with two sotnias of mounted Cossacks the district between Borgen and Tsi-Tsi-Har, three battalions and three sotnias of cavalry Petuna and the approaches from Tsi-Ssi-Har. Five battalions with a mobile squadron of Cossacks are in Kirin, the city and province, and 5,000 infantry are distributed between Kirin, Ninguta, and Khunchun. Opposite Khun-Chun, in the Novo-Kievsk region, are now cantoned a further 5,000 troops, with a large contingent of artillery, which is despatched by road and by water from Vladivostock to Poisset, and thence over the border. There is a battalion at Hulan, and two battalions hold San-Sin-Chang, and also act as patrols of the Sungari river, in conjunction with two sotnias of Cossacks. Five battalions hold the region between Kirin and Moukden, while a chain of infantry and cavalry posts is being pushed forward in a south and southeasterly direction towards the Liaotung peninsula, in this way forming a complete ring encircling the Chinese frontier brom Blagoveschensk to Port Arthur. Every high road to Pekin starts from or passes through the cities and districts named Tsi-Tsi, Petuna, Kiin, Ningula, and Moukden, and at the head of every one of these roads is now stationed a Russian force, ready to move south at any time, at a moment's notice, for trains and supplies have been fairly well organized. Nor is this all. Under direction of General Grodekov, governor of the Amur province, the line of the Amur Cossack posts has been pushed steadily forward up and along the Sungari river, its tributaries, the Hurko and the Nonni, so that there exists a chain of Cossack defensive posts stretching practically all the way from Blagoveschensk to the foot of the great wall of China. The existence of the posts throughout Manchuria to the border, as it were, of China proper will greatly facilitate an advance southward if emergencies require it. The great road from Kirin south to Pekin is entirely dominated now by the Russians, who, as the foregoing statement of their disposition and arrangements shows, are virtually thus placed in command of the frontier of the middle kingdom, that is China proper.

VICTORIA RURAL DEANERY.

Annual Conference Held at St. Barnabas Rectory Yesterday.

Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Canon Beanlands and Revs. W. D. Barber, J. B. Haslam, F. W. Flinton, J. Christmas, J. H. Sweet, W. H. Ellison, J. Grundy, C. E. Cooper, rural dean of Nanaimo, and R. A. Bosanquet, of St. Albans, Nanaimo, attended the annual conference of the Victoria Rural Deanery yesterday, in addition to a large attendance of lay delegates. The session lasted throughout the day, and closed with a festival evensong.

After routine business had been disposed of Ven. Archdeacon Scriven read a report on Indian missions, and Rev. Mr. Grundy told of the progress being made by the Chinese mission, of which he has had charge for the past three months.

A motion of the Rev. Mr. Flinton's that ladies be allowed the privilege of voting at vestry and committeee meetings was a negatived, and a committee was appointed to discuss the publication of a church magazine and the formation of a union of church workers.

The ladies of St. Barnabas Church entertained the members of the conference at dinner. Rev. A. Bosanquet preached an eloquent sermon at the evening service.

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SONS OF ALBION DINE

The Merry Englishmen Hold High Revel at the Annual Banquet Last Night at the Victoria Hotel.

An Enjoyable Evening of Speech and Song with Britain's Sons Around a Well Laden Board.

Englishmen have from time immemorial associated a good time with a full stomach, and it has come to be an unwritten maxim among the race that when the sons of Albion congregate to celebrate the achievements and recount the glories of the little island which, no matter where the exigencies of life may carry them, they still call home, they should have before them a groaning board. The roast beef of Old England and the eloquence of her sons seem to be the complement of one another.

Last night the dining-rooms of the Hotel Victoria were packed with lusty oaks transplanted, some at an earlier and others at a later stage of growth, from the little land across the seas. The occasion was the twenty-fourth anniversary of the formation of the Sons of England and the eighth anniversary of the formation of a branch of the society in Victoria. Probably 125 covers were spread, and the capacity of the spacious dining-room was sorely taxed to provide accommodation for the throng which crowded about the tempting tables. It was a good natured crowd—men with the bluff, honest countenances of hardy Englishmen, and with the love of fun and a good larder strong in their eyes. The proceedings were under the direction of Col. Prior, and they went with a vim. The songs were numerous, and were without exception given in excellent voice; the speeches were short, direct and jovial, as befitting Englishmen. The intoxication of good fellowship was present, and beguiled even Col. Gregory into a song.

The affair was under the joint management of the two local lodges of the order—Alexandra and Pride of the Island. Decoration had been dispensed with, and the only attempt made to adorn the walls was behind the chairman's seat, where a fine protrait of "the widow" looked down from among the folds of a Union Jack upon this gathering of colonial Britons. The dominant note of the gathering was Imperialism and Anglo-Saxon unity. It breathed in the speeches; it was honored in the songs; it was evident in the heartiness and gusto with which every reference to the respective subjects was received. The presence of the American consul, and the really splendid speech which he made and the generous spirit it breathed, helped this feeling wonderfully and every reference to the rapprochement between Britain and the United States was received with loud applause. That the independent spirit of the Englishman has not been affected by these prospective alliances, however, was evident in the uproarious applause which greeted a remark of one of the speakers late in the hours of the morning. "Alliances are all very well," he said, "and we gladly welcome the prospect of new treaties with other powers, but if it comes down to the fine thing—and here the speaker lowered his voice, as though communicating something which it was unwise to disclose to other than English ears—we can whip the whole lot of them." It was the spirit of Drake and Grenville over again, and the storm of approbation with which it was received showed that it had not fallen on craven ears.

It was shortly after nine o'clock when Col. Prior led the way to the feast. With him at the table of honor were seated Hon. Abram Smith, American consul; Mayor Redfern, Col. Gregory, Dr. Crompton, Dr. Hart, Rev. W. D. Barber and other prominent citizens. Four large tables extended the full length of the room, while across the head of these ran a fifth, at which the chairman sat. The tables were tastily spread, and the dinner was served in the excellent style which is a feature of the Victoria hotel. After the viands had been properly sampled and the roast beef had undergone the most satisfactory of all tests, cigars and pipes were lighted, and amidst the blue incense the opening toast of the Queen was proposed.

Col. Prior was very happy in his opening remarks, and secured the good-will of the company at once by saying that of all the gatherings he attended he enjoyed that of the Sons of England the most. He loved to hear about him again the good old Yorkshire tongue. He was glad to know that the society was increasing, and said that from all appearances they would soon have to provide an overflow chapel. Five thousand miles of land and sea lie between us and the old country," said the Colonel. "How it is with the old land to-night?" (Shouts of "She's all right.") "The dear old land," he continued, "the land of plum puddings, of rosy cheeked girls and hearty boys. (Shouts of "that's so.") Has she held her own?" he continued, while running replies of "you bet," "She's all right," etc., punctuated his remarks. "She has come out all right in the end," he said. "Her men are just as good to-day as ever (a voice—"A little better"), and the same courage nerves their arms as when Wellington led the charge against the whole of Europe."

The speaker then went on to refer to the position of Canada as the greatest dependency of the United Kingdom. His hearers were no Little Englanders, and longed to see the Imperial spirit grow. "If I were addressing an audience of another nationality," observed the colonel, "I would have some hesitancy in so often using the word England, but as I am addressing Englishmen, they know that in using the word I mean England, Ireland and Scotland." He paid a tribute to Capt. Wolley, whose poem, he said, would live after the author. The Queen's health having been drunk with full honors, the chairman next proposed that of the President of the United States. During the late trouble with Spain, when European complications seemed imminent, the speaker said that Great Britain had stood shoulder to shoulder with the United States, which had sprung from her loins. An alliance between these two powers would do more to keep the peace of the world than all the arms and armaments of the world.

Hon. Abram Smith, replying, said it touched his heart to see the loyal way in which the President of the United States toast had been received by the Sons of England. The bone and brain and sinew of the United States were English. It was an Englishman, Hamilton, who framed its financial policy, and another Englishman, Morris, who provided the funds. He knew of no prouder name by which a man could be known that that of Sons of England. From time immemorial almost England had held the dominion of the deep, and always for the benefit of mankind. Her evolution had been a marvellous thing. The names of Boadicea, Alfred, Tyndall and other martial and literary giants were mentioned, and the speaker observed that during the Elizabethan age England had first initiated the policy of planting outposts on different seas, a step which had contributed since so largely to her success; and since the Armada no hostile foot had been placed on her shores. The Red Cross does not fly, he said, by force, but by the love of the people, and over a greater empire than ancient Rome. The colonies occupy the position of daughters in their mother's house, but mistress in their own. Although there was union of the three powers, England is the dominant partner, and Rosebery had truly said that no political project in the United Kingdom could hope to succeed until it had been approved at London.

Proceeding, Mr. Smith said that the Englishman's attitude was that of "I don't care for nobody, and nobody cares for me." "The English people mind their own business," he said, "and they will do it in spite of the world." He quoted the opinion of an East Indian philosopher who was present at the World's Fair, and who told the speaker that he didn't like the English. They were a masterful people, he said. But, he added, one thing he would give them credit for, namely, that they are inflexibly just and absolutely fearless. The vengeance with which English justice punished those who ill-used one of her subjects made England a land worth fighting for.

Speaking of the results of the Spanish-American war, Mr. Smith said that he believed the "open door" policy in the Philippines would ultimately be adopted. In closing he prayed that the Sons of England and the Daughters of America might unite and prosper and their posterity inherit the earth.

At this stage J. Pilling sang "The Soldier's Sweetheart," and was heartily encored.

Capt. Clive Wolley proposed the Army, Navy and Volunteers, and humorously observed that the most pacific person on the Pacific Coast had been chosen for this belligerent task. The first thing he taught his boy was to fight, and he was proud of his son's powers. On the same principle England should be pleased at the success of the United States, who had proved that they are sons who have not forgotten their ancestry. He protested against the neglect shown the soldiers of England who had won many battles, but the navy deserved even more credit. Reference was also made to the bravery displayed the other day in the rescue of the passengers of a trading ship in mid-ocean, and the speaker objected to the closing of the steel industry as shutting off a training school for our marine.

In replying to the toast, Col. Gregory said that next to the Queen and Bible the English people valued the army and navy. He turned a joke on Colonel Prior by saying that at the completion of the new drill shed, when the battalion marched in they were full, but they had never been full since. In future fights he wanted to see the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes entwined.

Mr. Bull here sang a song, after which Mr. Beaven proposed the Sons of England, tracing their history here. He was proud of the old country, and proud to know that she benefited by mistakes.

Bro. Lee, district deputy, followed, saying that the society now numbered 13,000 or 14,000 members. Two thousand one hundred had joined last year, and the regulations are now so modified that if you have a good English mother you can join, although you may call yourself a Scotch. Over $70,000 had been paid over last year in medical aid, etc.

Mr. Lucas then sang, after which Dr. Crompton proposed the Houses of Parliament. At the same time he confessed he knew little of politics and affairs over the way seemed so mixed that he was unable to fathom them.

H. Helmcken replied, and said that the people of this province want good, honest government. Incidentally, referring to Colonel Smith's remarks about the C. P. R., he said that the idea of a continental railway had been proposed by his father and Sir Joseph Trutch.

Mr. Brakes then sang, and Mr. Holmes proposed the Daughters of England. J. Critchley responded in a capital humorous address, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

A song by Mayor Redfern was then given, and "Sister Societies" proposed by W. Jones. Mr. Price, in replying to the toast, recalled the excellent work done by St. George before the Sons of England were organized. A company of 400 of them had served this summer at Santiago.

Mayor Redfern replied to the Mayor and Council after Col. Gregory had sung, after which Col. Prior recited, and Harry Cole gave "My Dad's Dinner Pail."

About two o'clock the gathering terminated with Auld Lang Syne and God Save the Queen.

N. V. C. CO.'S NEW MANAGER.

Mr. Thomas Russell to Succeed the Late William McGregor.

Mr. Thomas Russell, who for several years was the manager of the Union Collieries, at Union, Comox, arrived from Scotland on the steamer on Saturday evening, having accepted the position of manager of the extensive collieries of the New Vancouver Coal Company in this city and vicinity, which vacancy was caused by the deeply lamented death of William McGregor. Mr. Russell has entered upon the duties of his important and responsible position, and from his well-known ability and experience in matters appertaining to the successful prosecution of coal mining, all feel that the management of the local collieries has been placed in the hands of a gentleman who will in every respect prove the worthy successor of one who during his fourteen years' incumbency of that position held in the highest degree the esteem and confidence of the company, his associates and the community generally. Mr. Russell is not altogether a stranger to Nanaimo, and we are sure that he will be accorded a very cordial welcome from all classes of our citizens.—Nanaimo Free Press.

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Rectification of Crown Grant.

Whereas, on the 3rd day of February, 1898, a Crown grant was issued to one William Ross Dick, for Lot 4, being a subdivision of Section 42, Lake District, but the said grantee was therein erroneously described as William Ross:

Notice is therefore hereby given, in pursuance of Section 86 of the "Land Act," that it is the intention to cancel the defective Crown grant, and to issue a corrected one in its stead three months from the date hereof, unless good cause is shown to the contrary.

C. A. SEMLIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 3rd Nov., 1898.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip and operate a single or double track tramway or any aerial or other tramway or tramways, with all necessary switches, sidetracks and turnouts, for the passage of cars, teams, carriages, and other vehicles adapted to the same and all other requisite appliances in connection therewith, for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near the foot of Crater Lake, in the District of Cassiar; thence by the most feasible route to a point at or near the head of Bennett Lake, and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines, and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, coal bunkers, and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said tramway and branches, and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plants for the purpose of supplying light and heat, electric or any kind of motive power, and expropriate lands for the purpose of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, and other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons, or bodies corporate, and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat and other companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of said tramway in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the tramway, and with all other usual, necessary and incidental rights, powers and privileges, as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the advancement of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria this 9th day of November, A.D. 1898.

BODWELL & DUFF,

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, by the British Columbia-Yukon Railway Company, for an act amending the "British Columbia-Yukon Railway Act, 1897," so as to confer power on the said company to lay out, construct, acquire, equip, maintain and operate a branch line of railway with one or more tracks of a standard or narrow gauge from a point on the main line of the British Columbia-Yukon Railway in British Columbia to the Taku Arm of Tagish Lake in British Columbia, and thence by the most feasible route to Atlin City, together with all the powers in regard to the said branch line which are granted to the said company by the said act in respect of their main line for the construction and use of telegraph and telephone lines, steamers and ferries on inland and coast waters, docks, wharves, and other necessary works, and all other powers therein set forth, and with power to construct trails and wagon roads along and in connection with the said branch line and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over the same, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of November, A.D. 1898.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for the British Columbia-Yukon Railway Company, the applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, by the North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Company for an act amending Section 40 of the "North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Act, 1898," by extending for one year the time within which the security mentioned in the said Section 40 shall be given by the said company, and also extending for one year the time within which the sum of ten thousand dollars in the said Section mentioned shall be expended; and further, to amend the said act by adding as a third section to the schedule thereof, the words, "a railway from a point at or near Fort Steele on the line of railway mentioned in the first section of this schedule by the most feasible route to a point at or near Golden."

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 25th day of November, A.D., 1898.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for the North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Company, the Applicants.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, viz.: Commencing at a stake marked John Connelly, northwest corner, thence south three-fourths of a mile; thence east two miles; thence north three-fourths of a mile; thence west two miles to point of commencement, and containing about nine hundred and sixty (960) acres. This land is situated on the bank of Pine Creek, Atlin, Cassiar Mining District.

JOHN CONNELLY.
Lake Bennett, B.C., Nov. 2nd, 1898.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, viz.: Commencing at a staked marked Oliver Rolston's southeast corner, thence north three-fourths of a mile; thence west two miles; thence south three-fourths of a mile; thence east two miles to point of commencement, and comprising about nine hundred and sixty (960) acres. This land is situated on the banks of Pine Creek, Atlin, Cassiar Mining District, B.C.

OLIVER ROLSTON.
Lake Bennett, B.C., Nov. 2nd, 1898.

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Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of November, 1898.

FRANK HIGGINS,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain cable, telegraph and telephone lines from the south end of Teslin Lake, in the Province of British Columbia, to the City of Victoria, in the said Province, via Glenora and Telegraph Creek, by the most direct and feasible route, with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other person or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using the said cable, telegraph or telephone lines, with power to make arrangements and contracts for the carrying of messages with any railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria this 23rd day of November, A.D. 1898.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for Applicants

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge from a point at or near the International Boundary line on the headwaters of Taku Inlet by the most feasible route to Atlin City or some other point on the shores of Atlin Lake in British Columbia, with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines to a point at the south end of Taku Arm of Tagish Lake in British Columbia, or to a point at the south end of Bennett Lake in British Columbia, with power to construct, operate and maintain other branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats and to operate the same on any navigable waters connecting with the said railway line, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway works and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of November, A.D., 1898.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a plant with all suitable and necessary appliances and accessories for the lighting by electricity of the townsite at the south end of Teslin Lake and of the townsite of Glenora and of the townsite of Telegraph Creek and of the townsite of Atlin City on Atlin Lake respectively, with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines within and between the said townsites, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power in and between the said townsites, and with power to expropriate lands for the purpose of the company and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using such telegraph and telephone lines and electric light, heat and power and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of November, A.D. 1898.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge from a point at or near Fort Simpson, in the Province of British Columbia, by the most feasible route to any point at or near Glenora or Telegraph Creek, on the Stikine River, British Columbia, with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats and to operate the same on any navigable waters connecting with the said railway line, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway works and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of November, A.D., 1898.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for Applicant.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, by "The Canadian Yukon Railway Company," for an act amending chapter 50 of the Statutes of the said Province of British Columbia of the year 1898, entitled "An Act Respecting the Canadian Yukon Railway Company," by striking out of said chapter 50, section 40 thereof, or by amending the said section 40 by inserting the word "eighteen" in lieu of the word "six" in the first line of the said section 40, and by inserting the figures 1900 in lieu of the figures 1899 in the sixth line of said section 40.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 7th day of December, A.D. 1898.

FRANCIS B. GREGORY,
Solicitor for the Canadian Yukon Railway Company, the applicants.

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Alberni, Dec. 16.— the history of the o this little village be much excitement as of the political cam close last evening, the government can A. Ward, who ran the opposition. Alth the filing of this de outlying polling plac hand, sufficient is k Mr. Neill is elected

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The returns so f Alberni town—Neill spoiled ballots, 3 Neill, 8. Majority heard from, 19.

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MR. MARTI

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London, Dec. 17.— in thirty-three town urge the adoption o universal peace.

HENRY A. G

Niles, Mich., Dec. the multi-millionaire est man in Michigan home in this city. Deceased leaves a A. Chapin, of Chica to be worth from $1 Death was caused b