

Judgments Handed Down Yesterday
in *Bainbridge v. the E. & N.*
Railway Co.

Mr. Justice Walkem's judgment was very similar in effect. It was as follows:—
 "Bainbridge vs. E. & N. Railway Co." by section 138 of the Dominion Lands Act, 1883, "the provincial legislature is empowered to grant or cause to be granted" (I am quoting the words) "to the Dominion government for the purpose of constructing and to aid in the construction of a railway between Equiptak and Nanaimo, all lands, whether Crown or private, that they may deem advisable." All that piece of land or parcel of land situate in Vancouver Island and described as follows, (here follows the description) "and including all coal, coal seams, and all minerals, and all other minerals and substances whatsoever thereunder, thereon, therea and thereunder. In furtherance of the same project, the Dominion government, subsequently by Order in Council, has granted to the said railway company of land and inclusive substances to the Equiptak & Nanaimo railway company, the now appellants in this action. Briefly stated, the question we have to determine is whether or not the words "all minerals and substances whatsoever," etc., had the effect of divesting the Crown as represented by the province of its prerogative right to the precious metals. In Woolley vs. Attorney General of British Columbia, 1894, 10 B.C.R. 1, the judicial committee, after referring to the mines case reported in Plowden, makes the following observation: "It is perfectly true that ever since that decision it has been settled that the British Columbia Government has no right of the Crown to gold and silver found in mines will not pass under a grant of

THE CITY MARKETS.

Grocery houses are doing a good business this week, much better than other provision shops and stores. The warm weather makes the demand for meats somewhat poor and as for fish, though the market has considerably improved, the supply is entirely inadequate. The variety is almost wholly confined to three kinds, of which salmon is the most plentiful. Much satisfaction has been derived from the first consignment of Delta butter received, which has retailed at over one pound. It is a home production and continues good will be the means of shutting out of the Province much of the inferior Manitoba manufacture, now so freely imported. Eggs are stiffening and have advanced owing to scarcity. Corn the most important feature of the market, the price is the big drop in oats and barley. Good crops account for the decrease in prices, farmers being afraid to hold over grain for this reason are disposing of it as soon as possible in order to realize good prices. Following are the current retail quotations:

FLOUR—Ogilvie's (Hungarian) per bushel	\$ 6.00
Lake " " " "	" 5.75
Victoria " "	6.25
Lion " "	4.80
Salem " "	5.00
Rainier " "	5.00
Eugene " "	5.00
Planiflor " "	5.00
Snow Flake " "	5.00
Olympic " "	5.00
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Wheat, per bushel	30.00
Oats, per ton	26.00
Barley, per ton	25.00
Bran, per ton	20.00
Ground Feed, per ton	25.00
Corn, whole " "	45.00
" cracked " "	50.00
Cornmeal, per 10 lb.	50.00
Calumet, per 10 pounds	1.00
Roller Oats, per lb.	1.00
Potatoes, per bushel	1.00
Cabbage, per lb.	12.00
Hay, baled, per ton	10.00
Straw, per ton	1.00
Green Peppers, cured, per lb.	1.00
Onions, per lb.	2.00
Turnips, per bushel	2.00
Eggs, Island, per doz.	25.00
Butter, fresh " "	20.00
" Creamery, per lb.	15.00
Hams, American, per lb.	15.00
" Canadian " "	15.00
" Boneless " "	15.00
Bacon, American, per lb.	15.00
" Rolled " "	15.00
" Long clear " "	15.00
" Canadian " "	15.00
Shoulders, per lb.	15.00
Golden Cotolette, per lb.	15.00
Meats, Beef, per lb.	15.00
" Veal " "	15.00
Mutton " "	15.00
Spring Lamb, per lb.	15.00
Pork, fresh, per lb.	15.00
Becons, per bushel	15.00
Pigeons, per brace	50.00
Fruits—Apples, per box	20.00
" Oranges, per box	35.00
" Lemmons (California) " "	25.00
" Rananas " "	25.00
" Apricots, per lb.	1.00
" Pears, per lb.	1.00
" Plums, California, per lb.	1.00
" Tomatoes, California, per lb.	1.00
Nectarines, per lb.	1.00
Plantain, per lb.	1.00
Spinage, per lb.	1.00
Fish—Salmon, per lb.	12.00
" Smoked " "	12.00
" Haddock " "	12.00

IN VIEW OF THE prevalence of cholera in certain parts of China and Japan special precautions are being taken by the Dominion Government authorities to prevent the possibility of the introduction of the disease into this city by any of the constant arrivals of Oriental liners. The management of the N. P. R. steamship line were notified yesterday that in future their boats would be required to stop at Victoria, under the supervision of the health officer, William Head, for inspection and fumigation, and accordingly the steamer Victoriana due to-morrow, will visit the quarantine station before docking here. The C. P. R. and the B. C. & N. companies have not yet received similar notification, but are looking for it as a matter of course. It is probable that the necessity of making perfect the quarantine arrangements here will be met by the arrival of the steamer Mackenzie Bowell during his visit, by a deputation of the city council.

**Supply Contracts Awarded — Letter
From Mr. Helmcken—A Patho-
logist Wanted.**

(COPY OF LETTER)

"By this means," the committee concludes, "provision would be made for im-

said, "Address it to Mrs. Christian." The attendant was quite unsuspecting of the rank of her customers, and so the parcel was duly dispatched to "Mrs. Christian, Buckingham Palace."

**Preparations for the Championship
Cycling Meet—The "Amities"
Go to Nanaimo.**

According to the 283rd section of the

LOST—From Jordan Meadows, on 2nd July, a small bay mare. Finder will be rewarded on returning her to Speed Bros., Fort street, Victoria. au8 1tw

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