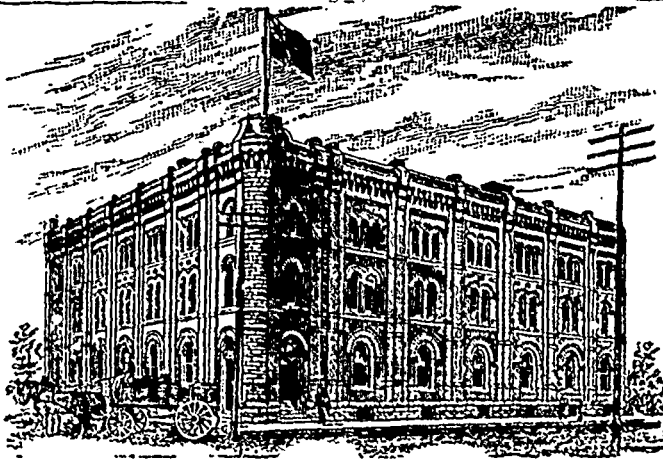


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British Columbia.

Reduction works are talked of for Nanaimo.

Alex. McDonald has opened a boot and shoe store at Vancouver.

Vancouver hardware dealers have agreed to close their business places on Saturdays at 2 o'clock.

Wm. McGirr and A. McKinnon, of the Sunnyside hotel, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership.

John J. Cowderoy has again embarked in business at Vancouver. He has opened in the grocery line.

Carroll & Robinson, from the United States, have located at Westminster in the real estate and insurance business.

Robert Lang, general merchant, Golden, and a well known business man, died on April 2, after a prolonged illness.

The new daily paper of Nanaimo, the *Courier*, has already been enlarged, and further improvements are promised.

A post office and a branch of the Meteorological Service of Canada has been established at the Harrison Hot Springs.

Herbert White is erecting a store at the town of Harrison Hot Springs and will open out with general stock some time in May.

T. L. Browne, late a salesman with A. Bullock, Nanaimo, has started in business for himself at that place, in the gents' furnishing line.

The council of the Vancouver board of trade passed a resolution asking the provincial Government to oppose the land grant to the Canadian Western Railway Company.

The following circular, signed by Margaret B. Lang, and dated at Golden, April 4th, has been issued: Robert Lang, my father, having died on 2nd April instant, I am authorized by his family to take charge of the business heretofore carried on by him here, and intend to carry on such business as heretofore. My intention is to pay all claims out of the estate, and hereafter carry on the business myself.

Edward & M. Jilman have opened the Vancouver restaurant, at Vancouver.

Jas. Durick and Charles Warren have purchased the branch general store business of Golden, of J. C. Steen & Co., of Donald, and will do business under the firm name of Durick & Warren.

D. Morrell, of the New Palace Hotel, Nanaimo, has been refused a license for his house. It is claimed that a number of members of the license board are interested in other hotels in the place, hence the difficulty.

The Vancouver *News-Advertiser* has entered upon the third year of its existence. Since its inception this journal has kept pace with the spirit of improvement at Vancouver, and has ever been in the vanguard of progress.

O. F. Wegener, general agent of the American Building and Loan Association, of Minneapolis, has established an agency in British Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver, and advertises money to loan at 6 per cent.

Evans, Coleman & Evans is the name of a new firm of commission merchants lately established at Vancouver. The firm own the tug *Tepic*, which is on its way from England to Vancouver, where it will form an addition to the local fleet.

Following are the inland revenue collections at Victoria for the month ending 31st March:—

Licenses.....	\$ 100 00
Tobacco.....	1,827 00
Cigars.....	197 15
Spirits.....	4,987 37
Malt.....	1,098 11
Total.....	\$9,204 63

Following are the customs collections at the port of Victoria for the month ending 31st March:—

Duties.....	\$75,184 00
Miscellaneous.....	23 65
Chinese immigration act.....	94 00
Total.....	\$75,561 65
Collections, March, 1888.....	62,173 13
Increase.....	\$13,388 52

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PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Dec. 8th, 1887.

JAMES PYE, Esq., Minneapolis, Minn., U.S.A.:

DEAR SIR.—In handing you our check for \$1,501.24, in full for balance of your contract for building and enlarging our mill, we without solicitation wish to state, that you have done your work in a manner highly satisfactory to this company. The capacity which you guaranteed at 275 barrels we find consistent by under the mark, as we are at present making over 300 barrels and the quality of the flour is all that we could wish for. Some of our largest purchasers frankly tell us, it is equal to any flour made in either Minnesota or this province. The yield also we find very satisfactory. We must also bear testimony to your pleasing and gentlemanly manner, and your willingness at all times to meet our wishes. This has made our business relations pleasant and we can honestly say, that we recommend you to any person, requiring anything in the mill building or mill furnishing line. Wishing you the success that straight dealing merits, we are
Yours very truly,

THE PORTAGE MILLING CO.
Jas. MacLennan, Managing Director.

Coal now sells at 6.50 per ton at Vancouver, though still held at \$10 per ton at Victoria. The former price should allow a very fair margin of profit at any coast point in B.C., considering the near location of the mines and shipping facilities.

Thomas Dunn, an enterprising hardware dealer, of Vancouver, has had plans prepared for a fine new brick block, to be erected on Cordova street near to the Burrard Hotel. It will be three storeys high, and have 40 feet frontage and a dept of 132 feet.

The assessment of Westminster, just completed, is as follows:—

Total value of land.....	\$2,364,880 00
“ “ buildings.....	903,335 00
Grand total.....	\$3,238,215 00
Exemptions.....	\$644,200 00

Value of rateable property. \$2,624,015 00
The land is rated at 9-10th value and buildings at 3ds value.

Westminster *Columbian*: The salmon packers are busy laying in supplies and getting the boats and nets ready for this year's work. Nearly every canyery on the river will commence packing next week, and if the run of spring salmon is as good as in other years, a very handsome pack will be laid in before the great sockeye run in July. This will be the earliest commencement of work in the salmon packing history of the Fraser river.

The decision of the privy council in the disputed mineral claims in the railway belt, is giving great satisfaction in the province: The provincial mining regulations are very much more liberal than the Dominion laws, and now that a final decision has been given in favor of the province, it is expected that the mining industry in the railway belt will receive an impetus. On this point the Westminster *Guardian* says: "The eagerness of the Federal Government to seize the minerals and impose its own laws—both cumbersome and iniquitable—and its own officers on the unfortunate miners, resulted as might have been expected, in throwing a wet blanket on the industry. Believed of this incubus the mining industry will resume its old swing and bright prospects will once more illumine the sky."