OFF TO THE RECEPTION
And They All Had a Mint-o Fun.

BADE FAREWELL TO VICTORIANS

GOVERNOR-GENERAL WAS HERE MONDAY

Presented With Address at Drill Hall—Received Citizens at Parliament Buildings.

(From Tuesday Daily.)

Welcomed by the booming of guns in the royal salute, Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Minto and party arrived at Esquimalt at 6 o'clock on Sunday evening. A large crowd awaited the appearance of H. M. S. Grafton at the naval village, and when the vice-regal party debarked they were received with warm enthusiasm. A guard of honor drawn from the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, under the command of Lieut.-Col. English, R. E., was assembled at the landing pier, and the band from Work Point played the National Anthem as Their Excellencies stepped ashore. The party proceeded to the residence of Commodore Goodrich, where they stayed during their visit here. The Earl and Countess of Minto are accompanied by their daughter, Lady Eileen. Last night the warships were anchored in the Royal Roads, and in honor of the visit of Their Excellencies were illuminated.

THE CIVIC RECEPTION.

Presentation of Address at the Drill Hall —Lord Minto's Reply.

Shortly after half-past one yesterday the vice-regal party drove to the drill hall where the civic reception took place. Outside, forming the guard of honor, the soldiers from Work Point barracks were drawn up. Lord Minto alighting from his carriage inspected the troops, accompanied by Lieut.-Col. English, before entering the rooms assigned to the party, in the left wing of the building.

There was a very large attendance of citizens to take their part in bidding farewell to the Governor-General and Lady Minto. The main body of the hall was provided with seats for those who attended. A guard from the Fifth Regiment was on duty, lining both sides of the main aisle leading to the platform.

On the platform were members of the Dominion Senate and House of Commons, foreign consuls, judges of the Supreme court, members of the local government, members of the clergy, members of the city council, of the trustee board, the hospital board and various civic associations, and officers of the navy, army and militia.

In most cases the ladies accompanied their husbands and had places on the platform. Among those occupying seats were as follows: Archbishop Orth, Bishop Cridge, Bishop Perrin and Mrs. Perrin, Hon. E. Dewdney and Mrs. Dewdney, Lieut.-Col. Prior and Mrs. Prior, Commodore Goodrich and Miss Goodrich, Hon. Senator Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. Justice Martin and Mrs. Martin, Thos. Earle, M. P., and Mrs. Earle, Hon. R. G. Tatlow and Mrs. Tatlow, Hon. R. E. Green and Mrs. Green, Ald. Fell, Ald. Beckwith, Lieut.-Col. Hall and Mrs. Hall, Col. Holmes, Mrs. Holmes and Miss Holmes, Colonel English, Major Bland and Mrs. Bland, Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul, and Mrs. Smith, Carl Lowenberg, German consul, Rev. G. K. B. Adams and Mrs. Adams, Rev. H. Carson, Mrs. Jenkins, E. A. Lewis and Mrs. Lewis, Beaumont Boggs and Mrs. Boggs, Capt. Fraser and Mrs. Fraser, Col. A. W. Jones and Mrs. Jones, Capt. Parry and Mrs. Parry, Hon. C. E. Pooley and Mrs. Pooley, W. J. Dowler and Mrs. Dowler, Flag Lieut. West, Capt. Currie, Col. Wolfenden, Dr. Potts, Capt. Baker, Capt. Michel and E. C. B. Bagshawe.

With the advent of the Earl and Countess of Minto, Lady Eileen and Mayor Barnard and Mrs. Barnard into the main body of the drill hall, the band of the flagship, stationed in rear of the platform, struck up "God Save the King."

Ascending the platform steps, W. J. Dowler, city clerk, read the following address:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Gilbert John Elliott, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund, of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Minto of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain, Baronet of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, etc., etc., Governor-General of Canada, etc., etc.:

May It Please Your Excellency:

The announcement that, before leaving Canada, Your Excellency would again visit the western provinces of the Dominion was received here with the deepest gratification, and now, upon your arrival, it is with feelings of the greatest pleasure that we extend to Your Excellency, on behalf of the citizens of Victoria, a heartfelt welcome to this city.

That the period of Your Excellency's official connection with this country should be so rapidly drawing to a close none can regret more than we, though we are sensible of the fact that regret pervades every part of this great Dominion and every circle of its citizenship from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean.

Throughout the full term of occupancy of your exalted position, Your Excellency has maintained the delicate balance between the Vice-Regal prerogative on the one hand and the exercise of the functions appertaining to the official head of the people on the other, in stable and peaceful equilibrium, affording, thereby, indisputable proof of the possession of those rare personal qualities which have called forth, from parliament and people, demonstrations of respect and esteem seldom witnessed in this country.

To establish a title to rank with the distinguished men of genius who preceded Your Excellency in the office of Governor-General is an achievement in itself sufficient to gratify the highest ambition, but Your Excellency has accomplished more than this. From the first, you have entered with keen and sympathetic interest into every phase of the national and home life of the people, have noted every stage of their industrial and commercial progress, have given earnest and powerful support to movements for their physical, educational and moral and material welfare and advancement, have participated with zest in our national sports and pastimes, and, in every way, have shown yourself to be a true Canadian in spirit and in heart.

To Your Excellency it will have been pleasing to have followed, step by step, the wonderful growth and prosperity this country has enjoyed under your auspicious regime, nor can it be regarded as other than a further fortuitous circumstance that, at the time when you are about to resign the charge committed to you by the sovereign of a never-to-be-forgotten memory, whose honored name and deathless fame this city is proud to perpetuate, the colony, with the destiny of which Your Excellency has been so closely associated, should have reached the position it occupies at present as the first and foremost among Great Britain's family of nations.

It is a matter of special gratification to us that in this farewell visit you should be accompanied by Her Excellency the Countess of Minto. To Her Excellency, as well, we give our warmest greeting. Never can we, nor the citizens of this city, forget the charm of person and manner so conspicuously displayed by Her Excellency in the visits with which we have already been favored, nor her noble and disinterested efforts on behalf of the afflicted in remote localities, in the endeavor to provide them with the means of alleviating their sufferings and restoring them to health. These have forever endeared her to all, and will make her name in every household a fragrant and imperishable memory.

The professions of loyalty to His Most Gracious Majesty the King and unfaltering attachment to the throne and to the institutions under which we dwell we have made in the past, we beg now to repeat, claiming, as we do, that our devotion to the crown, as British subjects, is not excelled in any part of Britain's vast domain.

Though, with us, the joy of welcome is so soon to be dimmed by the gloom of parting, we trust that Your Excellencies' stay among us at this time may be the most pleasant you have yet experienced, and we cherish the hope and desire that, throughout the remainder of your honored lives, fame and fortune may continue to attend you, and the choicest gifts that happiness and prosperity can bestow.

Signed on behalf of the municipal council and citizens of the city of Victoria, in the province of British Columbia, this fifth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four.

(L. S.) (Signed) G. H. BARNARD,
Mayor.
(Signed) WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
Clerk of the Municipal Council.

In replying Lord Minto said he was pleased with the reception accorded them and the many kind expressions contained in the address. He could not help remembering, however, that they had come here to say good-bye. They had many pleasant recollections of this city.

The six years spent in Canada had not been uneventful ones. "We have passed through together," he said, "a great war, sharing together its sorrow and its triumph." In that war, as usual, the navy and army had again done its duty well. (Loud cheers.)

There was one lesson standing out clearly in connection with the war. This was that if the nation was to continue to occupy its exalted position the colonies must take their part and stand as one shoulder to shoulder throughout the Empire. No matter what came, they must stand shoulder to shoulder. (Applause.)

Referring to the city bearing a name which was reverenced and honored by all parts, he paid compliments to the city's beauty and hospitality.

When they returned to England they would not forget Canada and the pleasant time spent in this country. They would take every occasion to set forth the advantages of Canada in the Old Country.

He was sorry that their stay in the city had to be so short. They would have liked to have spent a longer time here, but this was not possible.

In closing he again thanked the city for its reception.

The band "played "The Maple Leaf," after which little Miss Jessie Prior, the 10-year-old daughter of Lieut.-Col. E. G. Prior, walked up the steps of the platform and presented Lady Minto with a basket of flowers, the recipient drawing the little donor to her and implanting a kiss on her lips.

The vice-regal party, accompanied by His Worship and Mrs. Barnard, then left the platform, repassing down the centre aisle, and entered the room assigned them in the officers' quarters.

After an informal reception there the party drove to the Driard, where luncheon was served.

THE CIVIC LUNCHEON.

Party Entertained Yesterday Afternoon at the Driard Hotel.

Following the reception at the drill hall was the luncheon given by the city in honor of the distinguished visitors at the Driard. The spacious dining room of the big hotel was beautifully decorated, and the function passed off most successfully. The menu was excellent, reflecting much credit on Proprietor Harrison, who omitted no effort conducive to the pleasure of those in attendance. The menu was as follows:

Cocktail en Canape.
Printaniere Royale.
Fillet of Halibut au Gratin.
Pommes Brabant.
Salt Almonds. Olives.
Spring Chicken a la Virginia.
Sweet Potatoes Glace.
Roman Punch.
Fresh Shrimps. En Caisses Newberg.
Haricot Vents.
Tomato en Mayonnaise.
Neapolitan Ice Cream.
Gateau Assortes.
Fromage de Roquefort.
Water Biscuits.
Fruits.
Cafe Noir.

The following is a list of invited guests: The Earl of Minto, Lady Minto, Lady Eileen Elliot, Major Maude, Capt. Bell, A. D. C., Mr. Arthur Grase, Mayor Barnard and Mrs. Barnard, Archbishop Orth, Bishop Cridge and Mrs. Cridge, Bishop Perrin and Mrs. Perrin, Senator Templeman and Mrs. Templeman, Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter, Hon. E. Dewdney and Mrs. Dewdney, Lieut.-Col. Prior and Mrs. Prior, Commodore Goodrich and Mrs. Goodrich, Senator Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Justice Irving and Mrs. Irving, Hon. Mr. Justice Martin and Mrs. Martin, Hon. Mr. Justice Duff and Mrs. Duff, Thos. Earle and Mrs. Earle, Geo. Riley and Mrs. Riley, Hon. R. McBride and Mrs. McBride, Hon. R. G. Tatlow and Mrs. Tatlow, Hon. R. Green and Mrs. Green, Hon. Chas. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, R. L. Drury and Mrs. Drury, W. G. Cameron and Mrs. Cameron, J. D. McNiven and Mrs. McNiven, Richard Hall and Mrs. Hall, Ald. Fell and Mrs. Fell, Ald. Vincent and Mrs. Vincent, Ald. Oddy, Ald. Beckwith and Mrs. Beckwith, Ald. Grahame, Ald. Kinsman and Mrs. Kinsman, Ald. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart, Ald. Goodacre and Mrs. Goodacre, Alf. Huggett and Mrs. Huggett, Ald. Elford and Mrs. Elford, Col. Hall and Mrs. Hall, Col. Holmes and Mrs. Holmes, Colonel English, Major Bland and Mrs. Bland, Capt. Sandeman, T. R. Smith and Mrs. Smith, A. E. Smith and Mrs. Smith, Carl Lowenberg, Lieut.-Col. Gregory, Dr. Campbell and Mrs. Campbell, Rev. Adams and Mrs. Adams, Rev. Vichert and Mrs. Vichert, Rev. Carson and Mrs. Carson, Geo. Jay and Mrs. Jay, Lewis Hall and Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Jenkins, Robt. Mowat and Mrs. Mowat, E. A. Lewis and Mrs. Lewis, B. Boggs and Mrs. Boggs, R. S. Day and Mrs. Day, S. J. Pitts and Miss Pitts, W. T. Oliver and Mrs. Oliver, Capt. Fraser and Mrs. Fraser, Captain Baker, Col. A. W. Jones and Mrs. Jones, Capt. Parry and Mrs. Parry, Hon. C. E. Pooley and Mrs. Pooley, W. J. Dowler and Mrs. Dowler, L. Blacker, secretary to the commodore; Flag Lieut. West, Miss Macdonald, Miss Holmes, Miss Prior and Miss Pooley.

THEIR EXCELLENCIES RECEIVE

Reception at the Parliament Buildings—List of Those Who Attended.

Their Excellencies and party were entertained at dinner by Commodore and Mrs. Goodrich at their residence last evening, after which they proceeded to the parliament building, where they formally received. The building was brightly illuminated, while internally it presented a scene not soon forgotten. There were about 400 people in attendance, most of whom were presented to Their Excellencies by Major Maude, the Governor-General's secretary, and Capt. Bell, His Excellency's aide-de-camp. The galleries were crowded with spectators, who looked down upon a splendid spectacle, the brilliant uniforms of the army and navy officers mingling with the evening attire of the citizens presenting a picture indeed. The flagship band was present and discoursed an excellent programme. Their Excellencies and party arrived promptly at 10 o'clock and were received in the assembly hall, occupying the Speaker's dais. Following is a list of those who were presented: Miss Dorothy Green, R. P. Butchart and Mrs. Butchart, A. G. McCandless, W. E. Campbell Tait, B. G. Goward, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Robert Warwick, Miss Edith Browne, Capt. Popham, Miss Pitts, Lieut. Hood, Captain Michell, Lieut. Fitzherbert, Miss Baiss, Miss McGary, Miss Angus, Lieut. Angus, B. S. Oddy, Lieut. French, Rev. J. P. and Mrs. Hicks, R. Hume, U. S. Consul and Mrs. Smith, D. M. and Mrs. Eberts, B. C. Pettingell, Rev. and Mrs. W. Baugh Allen, Mrs. O. Meredith Jones, Capt. C. W. Watts, Lieut. Smyth, Capt. and Mrs. Wright, Capt. and Mrs. Bunbury, Mr. C. E. Wilkins, R. N., Miss Ermatinger, Rev. J. D. Denis de Vitre, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Rev. E. G. Miller, Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden, Fleet Surgeon C. Mansfield, Miss Winewood Fraser, Miss Hunt, Engineer Lieut. Drake, Major and Mrs. Bland, W. F. Fraser, Miss Marion Pitts, E. O. S. Scholefield, Rowland and Mrs. Machin, Surgeon John Stoddard, Mrs. Oscar Lucas, Mrs. H. E. Norfolk, E. P. Soper, R. N., E. B. Mackay, G. H. and Mrs. Barnard, H. Dallas Helmcken and Mrs. Helmcken, Mrs. Charles Ure, Thomas and Mrs. Earle, E. Hamilton Sharpe and Mrs. Sharpe, Miss Alice Bell, Miss Green, Asst. Paymaster E. P. Jones, Napier Denison and Mrs. Denison, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet and Miss Sweet, Miss Prior, Lieut. Trye, R. N., Miss Davie, Capt. J. T. Walbran, Mrs. T. J. Ling, Gerald Potts, Miss Jessie Potts, Miss Potts, Sidney Pitts, W. C. Lampson, Dr. Geo. J. Potts and Mrs. Potts, Lieut. Lewis, R. N., Mrs. R. L. Newman, F. I. Gelsthrope, Roderick J. Mules, C. E., Mr. Spearman, Fleet Surgeon Home and Mrs. Home, Miss Richardson, Dr. A. T. Watt and Mrs. Watt, F. L. Wilmer, L. C. Newlings, A. J. Parish, Hon. R. F. Green, Major Ernest Chown, R.M.L.I., Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. J. Sidney Gibb, Lieut. Lawson, R. N., and Mrs. Lawson, Mr. Bryden, Mrs. W. H. Meadus, Miss Gwendolyn McCosh, G. H. Burns, Miss Clara Dupont, Donald A. Fraser, Mrs. Holmes, Hon. R. G. and Mrs. Tatlow, Dr. O. M. Jones, Hon. E. G. Prior, Miss Pooley, James Paterson, Colonel Holmes, Miss Nellie Dupont, Miss Ethel Browne, Mrs. Walter Langley, E. H. Fletcher, Lieut. Reginald Talbot, R. N., Miss Tilton, Mrs. E. G. Burk, Mrs. Rogers, Lieut. E. L. Wardon, R. N., Mrs. A. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. W. H. Richdale, Miss Phyllis Green, Miss Nora Hunt, Mrs. Charles Rhodes, Mrs. E. H. Fletcher, Miss Mara, Mrs. G. D. Ward, Henry A. Bimmore, R. N., David Rogers, Mrs. Dewdney, Miss Macdonald, Arthur Gore, J. S. Gibb, Mrs. A. Rocke Robertson, Mr. Dewdney, H. K. Garnier, R.N., H. McGuire, R.N., R. A. Bell Syer, R. N., Herbert K. Horsey, R.N., Miss H. S. Pemberton, Percy I. Ling, R.N., Miss Violet Tyrwhitte-Drake, Miss Tatlow, Miss Gladys Green, Mrs. Hamilton Burns, Miss Powell, B. B. Saville, R. N., Capt. R. G. Fraser, R. N., Mrs. Graveley, T. Bush, R. M. L. I., Dr. I. W. Powell, Donald Fraser, Lieut. H. B. Gellibrand, R. N., Lieut. J. Sacheverell Salmond, R. N., Lieut. W. J. Forbes, R. N., Dr. Percy F. Albertson, R. N., Miss Gertrude Loewen, Mrs. W. H. Richdale, Lieut. A. L. Cameron, R. N., Mrs. Prior, Miss Pooley, Lieut. Col. A. W. Jones, Lieut.-Col, C. English, R. A., Bishop of Columbia and Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Phipps, Wm. C. Holmes, Hon. C. E. Pooley, Phillip Ewing Hard, R. B. Powell, Dr. H. M. Robertson, W. H. Meadus, R.N., Jas. L. Raymur, J. C. Bridgman, W. J. Featherstone, R.N., F. P. Clements, R.N., G. H. Hutton, C. Loewenberg, C. F. Moore, Mr. Justice Martin, Mrs. Blaiklock, Mrs. Lampman, Lieut. G. D. Ward, R. N., J. T. L. Meyer, Mrs. Jas. Raymur, Miss Glasfurd, Mrs. R. G. Fraser, Dr. and Mrs. E. Hasell, Mrs. Dave Rogers, Miss E. Meyer, Mrs. A. F. Griffiths, Miss A. Meyer, Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Watts, Miss Phipps, Miss Langley, Mr. Burroughs, Mrs. R. F. Green, Miss Eva Loewen, Mrs. H. D. Smith, Miss More, Miss G. E. Meyer, Miss Francis Tyrwhitte-Drake and G. Campbell, R. N.

The vice-regal party left this morning on the flagship for Vancouver, where today they will be officially received.

THE LADIES' TOMBOLA.

Great interest was taken in the ladies' tombola, held in connection with the afternoon sports at the Caledonia grounds Monday. The results of the drawings are as follows:

1, 1,553; 2, 1,549; 3, 1,550; 4, 552; 5, 634; 6, 1,913; 7, 107; 8, 2,836; 9, 1,450; 10, 93; 11, 915; 12, 602; 13, 1,340; 14, 885; 15, 2,765; 16, 844; 17, 2,828; 18, 1,798; 19, 892; 20, 1,761; 21, 1,397; 22, 1,986; 23, 1,501; 24, 1,343; 25, 1,625; 26, 1,634; 27, 1,760; 28, 2,017; 29, 1,954; 30, 2,724; 31, 1,611; 32, 619; 33, 2,792; 34, 174; 35, 134; 36, 1,419; 37, 2,890; 38, 801; 39, 2,018; 40, 65; 41, 82; 42, 692; 43, 1,311; 44, 2,875; 45, 1,487; 46, 168; 47, 108; 48, 1,638; 49, 1,784; 50, 1,592; 51, 2,842; 52, 1,945; 53, 1,582; 54, 1,533; 55, 1,676; 56, 1,977; 57, 1,612; 58, 1,672; 59, 630; 60, 2,841; 61, 667; 62, 1,959; 63, 817; 64, 2,861; 65, 1,726; 66, 1,493; 67, 400; 68, 1,586; 69, 1,717; 70, 361; 71, 665; 72, 1,473; 73, 2,045.

It is announced by the committee of management that all those holding numbers corresponding with those enumerated may get an order for their prizes from Mr. Jones, of the Empire Cigar Store, Douglas street.

The judges who supervised the drawing in the ladies' tombola on Labor Day were B. S. Oddy, Robt. H. Swinerton, and Dr. S. F. Tolmie.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA.

A Meeting Was Held on Monday in Knox Church, Spring Ridge.

The Presbytery of Victoria Met on Monday in Knox church at Spring Ridge. Rev. Joseph McCoy, M. A., moderator, presided. A minute was agreed to expressive of the high appreciation in which Rev. E. G. Taylor is held by his brethren, of the good work he did in Alberni for eight years, and of the hope that the blessing of the Master might be with him wherever God might be pleased to place him in His vineyard.

Also a minute was passed expressive of sorrow at the sad and sudden removal by death of the Rev. M. Swartout, missionary to the Indians of Barkley Sound, of his faithfulness in his work, and of sympathy with his family in their sore bereavement.

Both the foreign and home mission work in the bounds is in a very satisfactory condition. The grants to home mission fields for the last six months were passed, and arrangements for money and men for the winter months were completed.

Rev. E. D. MacLaren, D. D., the general secretary of the home mission committee of the General Assembly, and Rev. J. C. Herdman, D. D., the superintendent of home missions in the synod of British Columbia, were present, and addressed the court along home mission lines, showing the great expansion of the work and the need of congregations awakening to greater liberality for the support of missions, as little was contributed in the Far West and Middle West compared with the large amount given for the work by the church in the East. Their words of information, encouragement and good cheer were much appreciated.

AUGUST ATTENDANCE.

High Average Daily Percentage for Eight Days of School.

The record of school attendance during the eight days of August after the opening of the term is conspicuous for the high average daily attendance. But this is due to the fact that a very large proportion of pupils presented themselves on the opening day instead of straggling along a week or two late, as is usually the case. The number enrolled was 2,656, average daily attendance 2,548.46, or 95.64 per cent. The corresponding figures for August last year were 2,508, average 2,226.49, or 86.77 per cent. Following is the abstract for the various schools:

School.	No. Present.	Daily Ave.	P.C.	Present Every Session.
High School	201	194.48	96.75	..
Boys' School	531	506.58	95.40	405
Girls' School	436	418.59	96.00	..
N. Ward...	438	423.33	96.65	379
S. Park....	360	346.10	96.14	325
Victoria W.	232	220.80	95.21	194
Spring R'ge	171	163.42	96.45	142
Kingston ..	121	116.68	96.43	100
Hillside ...	96	92.80	96.66	86
Rock Bay..	70	65.68	93.86	54
Total ..	2,656	2,548.46	95.64	..

A RAILWAY FOR THE COAL FIELDS

AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN ENTERED INTO

Interested Companies Have Devoted One Hundred Claims Towards Furnishing Transportation.

Over a week ago the Times announced that negotiations were in progress for the construction of a railway into the Kootenay coal fields. A delay occurred in carrying out the arrangements, and it was not until Saturday of last week that the matter was finally settled and the agreements entered into.

By this arrangement it is specified that the new company formed shall begin preliminary surveys within 60 days in the Flathead coal country. The work of construction will begin shortly after this survey is made, it is expected by those interested.

As outlined in the Times, the transportation company acquires a controlling interest in a group of 100 claims, which are set aside by the Kootenay Coal Company and the Nelson syndicate for that purpose. The Kootenay Coal Company is largely a Spokane concern.

The railway end of the new company's work, it is said, will be kept entirely independent of the mining department, and they will really form two companies. It is also reported that satisfactory arrangements have been made in drawing up the agreement whereby the companies interested in turning over the coal claims will be safeguarded with respect to rates for the carrying of their coal.

An announcement is not made as to where the railway will be built, but there is a prevailing impression that it will be by way of Morrissey or Elko, which is less than 20 miles distant.

In connection with the deal great praise is given Judge Prather, of Spokane, for the indefatigable way in which he worked for the consummation of this most important matter connected with the opening up of the coal territory. W. Teetzel, of Nelson, representing his syndicate, worked faithfully, and the result of the negotiations is due to these two, and J. McIntosh, of Grand Forks.

Judge Prather and Mr. Teetzel left for home on Saturday evening, after spending several weeks in this city negotiating with each other and with outside parties interested in the transportation arrangements.

EXHIBITION NOTES.

Mainland Districts Favor Landing Stock at Cadboro Bay—The Boxing Tourney.

All the district societies and most of the principal agriculturists of the province endorse the agitation in favor of having Mainland stock intended for the forthcoming exhibition landed at Cadboro Bay. W. H. Ladner in a recent letter to Secretary Swinerton says: "If arrangements could be made to land the stock at Cadboro Bay it would be a great convenience to stock men. We have been approached by Chilliwack breeders asking us to co-operate with them to obtain that favor, as stock would only have to be driven such a short distance compared with driving them from Victoria." R. Ferguson, secretary of the Maple Ridge Agricultural Association, communicates that he has been instructed to endorse the resolution of the Chilliwack Agricultural Association in reference to landing stock for the forthcoming show. It is understood that the local transportation committee is taking the matter up with the C. P. R. in an energetic manner, so that an announcement may be looked for at an early date.

It is announced by R. H. Swinerton, secretary of the B. C. Agricultural Association, for the benefit of those who intend exhibiting at the show to be held here from Sept. 27th inst. to October 1st, that entries will positively close on September 20th. As previously stated, the offices on Government street will be open in the evening. Applications should be made as soon as possible.

The Victoria Amateur Boxing Club is making strenuous efforts to bring off a successful meeting at the exhibition. Notices with entry forms have been sent to the various centres in the province, so that all interested in the sport may know what is going on, and in the hopes that some may be found who will enter their names as competitors. Attention is called to the fact that entries close for all the events on September 16th. By a printer's error the date for closing entries was placed as the 26th, but the club must know ten days earlier so as to have things well in hand. The club hopes to be in a position shortly to announce a very pleasing addition to the amateur contests. This awaits confirmation by the executive of the exhibition. There are three cups that may this year become the absolute possession of the present champions as they have won them already twice, the heavyweight, the lightweight and the feather. These men will undoubtedly make a hard struggle to retain their titles and the trophies.

A UNIQUE INVITATION.

Yesterday A. Mulcahy received the following invitation to members of the Victoria Yacht Club to attend the opening of the new headquarters of the Bellingham association:

You are hereby commanded, under penalty of a ducking, to bring your scow into the wind, cast your mud hook overboard, run out sufficient cable for easy riding, lower your rags, make all snug, and then row, or swim, to the Bellingham Bay Yacht Club's new club house on the water front, bearing north by west, quarter west, from the gas works, about a biscuit throw. You can there clean your scuppers with grog, fill your locker with hard tack and burn baccy plenty.

Report as directed, Monday evening, September fifth, 1904, at eight-thirty o'clock.

U. S. BRINY TOGS,
Commander Bellingham Bay Yacht Club.

P. S.—Don't fail to bring your peg legs.

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AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

Y. M. C. A. Finances Discussed by Directors Last Evening—Associate Secretary Appointed.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association held last evening was of more than usual importance. Financial matters principally engaged the attention of those present, a report having been submitted by the secretary, W. B. Fisher, outlining a method by which the Y. M. C. A. might be established on a firm basis. His suggestions were discussed at some length and were finally adopted.

Mr. Fisher's contention is that if the support of local business men can be assured to the extent of $1,000, this, together with the fees of active and sustaining members and small sums realized through concerts, social entertainments and excursions, would bring the total income up to $3,000 annually. Such a sum, he figures, would be sufficient to support the institution.

After considerable discussion, all present agreed with the secretary's statement, and it was decided to take immediate steps to carry out the proposal in all its details. A committee will make a thorough canvass among local merchants and report progress to the next regular meeting.

A resolution was also passed appointing W. B. Fisher general secretary, and H. H. Northcott assistant secretary. Together they will supervise the operation of the different branches during the winter months and look after the collection of membership fees and other details. Mr. Northcott is a well known young Victorian, who is popular with young men and who is about to take up Y. M. C. A. work.

The resignations of Messrs Clarke and Okell were received and accepted. A special committee, consisting of R. B. McMicking and J. Nelson, was appointed to provide nominations to be submitted to the next general meeting for approval.

It was reported that the recent excursion held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. was an unqualified success, and that $200 has been realized. Instructions were given the secretary to write thanking J. Dunsmuir for the use of the steamer City of Nanaimo and the Ladies' Auxiliary for their efforts in connection with the restaurant established by the Y. M. C. A. at Clover Point during the progress of the recent British Columbia Rifle Association meet, and also in connection with the excursion.

The meeting shortly afterwards adjourned.

A TRIP TO ENGLAND.

Minister of Finance and Mrs. Tatlow Will Visit Friends in Old Country.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow expects to leave for England for a short visit within about three weeks' time. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Tatlow. The visit is one which it is acknowledged has no political significance. On the contrary, it is one purely for pleasure. The minister will visit his father and mother, who reside in the Old Land, and for that reason, and in order to take a short rest from the duties of office, the Minister of Finance has planned the trip.

Since the McBride government assumed control of affairs Hon. Mr. Tatlow has attended to the duties of his office with scarcely a vacation. He has, in fact, been the one member of the ministry who it was always possible to find on duty.

Hon. F. J. Fulton, provincial secretary, is expected back from England shortly, and will be in the city before the Minister of Finance leaves.

The residence on Dallas road which has been occupied by Hon. R. G. Tatlow has been sold to A. S. Innes, of this city. The house was the property of F. Hume. In consequence of having to give up possession the minister will move his family to Vancouver, where they will remain until the return of himself and Mrs. Tatlow from England. They will take up their residence in Victoria again shortly afterwards.

PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, sends the following report on patents issued during the past week: According to the Official Gazette of the United States patent office, 567 patents were granted by that office during the week ending August 23rd; 295 of the number being to citizens of the United States; Austria-Hungary, 2; Bermuda, 1; Canada, 5; Great Britain, 14; France, 19; Germany, 16; New South Wales, 1; Portugal, 1; Russia, 4; Spain, 2; Sweden, 4; and Switzerland, 3.

A Canadian patent was granted this week to John Kellington, D. J. Munn and A. Ewen, all of Westminster, on a machine for automatically measuring and delivering salt or other material. This patent covers improvements on a previous invention on the same subject, on which patents were granted last year.

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"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

In the Matter of Lot 1,615, Victoria City, and in the Matter of an Application on Behalf of Charles William Ringler Thomson for an Indefeasible Title to Same.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above land to Charles William Ringler Thomson on the 24th day of September, 1904, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by a person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in any part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., 21st June, 1904.

WANTED—Agents to sell for Canada's greatest nurseries. Bigger and better selection of varieties and specialties than ever. Liberal terms; pay weekly; exclusive territory; outfit free. Send 25 cents for our pocket microscope. Everyone should have one to examine plants and trees for insects. Stone & Wellington, Toronto, Ont.

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TEACHER WANTED—Experienced male teacher, for Delta public school; salary $50 per month. Apply personally or by letter to John Oliver, Secy. Board of Trustees, Delta P. O.

BARGAIN—$35, a new light express wagon, very strong springs. Can be seen at 30 Elizabeth street.