

of 25 cents per day for the employ of the company are receiving less than

ded that this communication up and considered with for the current year.

ended that Mr. Geo. McInformed that the matter in re condition of side-Hillside avenue, between and Rock Bay avenue, ended to the sidewalk

be constructed on both road from Humboldt road to Hill park, be placed from the fence lines so as to be on either side, as recommended by the. This being necessary the contour of the ground at

expenditures contemplated going to be subject to favor-thereson by the finance com- adoption of said report by

enders for Piping.

ers for piping for the city's works distribution system. There are in all 11 of hough there were thrown out of irregularities. The low- was that of W. B. Beverly of Montreal, whose tender The others ran from six hundred dollars higher. The material included in the bids of 12-inch mains, 15,000 feet of 10-inch and 25,000 feet of 8-inch and 25,000 feet of 6-inch. One tender, that of a firm, was in the shape of a saying that they had on Fri- a formal tender with any marked check enclosed. e, the wire said, was \$107,700, containing the tender had not at night but it will be con- the others.

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urshall, representing the Cam- neral Electrical Company, but did not give his total d also neglected to enclose a the Canadian Iron & Foundry also neglected to enclose the check. Both of these tenders wn out as was also that of firm which offered to supply tion of the material required. ders were referred to the city misioner and the purchasing to will report to a special of the council to be held Wed- vening previous to a private to further discuss the estim-

Paving By-Law.

nderson's by-law providing for of the necessary money for ing out of the block paving of the between Government and eets; Langley, between Bas- Courtney; Broad, between and Fort; Courtney, be- Wharf and Douglas; and between Wharf and Doug- given three readings and will again for final reading next. The estimated cost is \$38,000 will be borrowed from the bank, pending the sale ventures.

by-law providing for the im- ns on Richardson street was ared, adopted and finally pass-

Local Improvements.

nderson moved the following on, which was unanimously after some discussion: That it be to construct a permanent on both sides of Fernwood between King's road and Cedar rd, with boulevards, gutters and property-owners to pay four- the cost of the same; also that a permanent sidewalk be constructed west side of Government street, of lot 534, block 8, and on the side of Government street from Pandora street; also to con- a permanent sidewalk on the side of Richardson street, between street and Moss street; also to construct a permanent sidewalk west side of the same between rd and Richardson street, to be done by day labor; also to improve generally by-law. Cameron remarked that there provision in this for upkeep of aleward. There were many peo- did not understand that they ave to pay for the maintenance boulevard in front of their prop- This should be clearly under- ally, otherwise they would come council complaining of the front- when levied.

nderson explained that this on would be made plain in the ment and also in the by-law introduced. He agreed with Aid- en that the people should under- that they would have to pay for intenance of the boulevard. Aid- son also explained that provision had been made for boulevard-wood road up to King's road extension of one block was be- at the request of the propo- sers affected. This in the sub-division being offered by Hamilton, Johnson & Donald, ould soon be built upon, several nes being already projected.

Business Concluded.

concluded the business before ouncil and as it was only 10 o'clock eason suggested that the omn- end some time considering the

Norman—"It's a long day since lock this morning."

Cameron, chairman of the fin- committee—"I have a few figures ight take it, how to raise \$200-

Hall—"Call around in the morn- with that the council adjourned eed again Wednesday evening.

SNEEZE CAUSED DEATH.

erboro, March 18.—Mrs. Ephrian avel, of Smith township, has died result of a sneeze.

though she had a moment before in robust health, symptoms of illness developed and the doctor summoned, but death ensued h the rupture of a blood vessel

UNION MEN IN INTERCOLONIAL

OPPOSITION LOOKS ON MATTER IN STRANGE LIGHT

Mr. Haggard Says Government Should Retain and Dismiss Employees.

(Special Correspondence.)

Ottawa, March, 10th.—A debate of peculiar interest to workmen generally and to trades unionists particularly, took place in the house here a few days ago, when Hon. Geo. F. G. Haggard, brought down his annual railway "budget." His principal critic was Hon. John Haggart. Now, Mr. Haggart was minister of railways and canals during the Conservative regime, and is, consequently, the chief railway authority in the opposition ranks. If he lives long enough to see his friends returned to power he will probably again preside over the department of railways and canals. His views on the question under discussion may be regarded as the sentiment of his party.

During the local presentation of the statistics of the Intercolonial railway by Hon. Mr. G. Haggard, whose administration of the department, by way, has already won golden opinions, he found occasion to refute the charge that politics entered into the management of the Intercolonial. He then went on to say: Let me point out that 63 per cent. of the employees of the Intercolonial railway are members of unions and their advancement is in the hands of the union and cannot be meddled with by any political party. They are subject to the laws of the union, they get their advancement and their increase of pay as the union laws direct, if the manager is competent. And the manager himself does not interfere with that arrangement with the unions. Every one knows what would happen if that arrangement was not carried out. We have the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Firemen, the Brotherhood of Trainmen, the Brotherhood of Railway Telegraphers, all these men have their organizations, and these matters are regulated under arrangements made by the organizations with the management of the railway, and the promotions of the men are made according to the rules of the union, the men being qualified, and no political influence can interfere with the bargain or with the keeping back of any one of this 31 per cent. of the employees. It may be said: But why do you employ men belonging to these unions. I have been approached on this matter by several men who have asked me: You are allowing the Intercolonial to be run by unions. I say no. This is the age of organization and the employees of the Intercolonial railway, of any other railway have as much right to form a combination for the protection of their own interests as has the Manufacturer's association or any other organization.

Mr. Sam Hughes: Who disputes that?

Mr. Graham: If my hon. friend had listened to me he would have heard me state that I have been asked why I allow the unions to control the Intercolonial railway. The unions may make mistakes; they do; sometimes they are reasonable, sometimes they are not. But take them all in all the labor organizations so far as the Intercolonial railway is concerned have not been unreasonable. When I have met them or their representatives in any capacity whatever, they have sat down and reasoned things out with me in a very intelligent manner, and up to date we have been able to come to an agreement with perhaps a little give and take on both sides, and always these conclusions have been in the interests of the proper running of the railway. I have come to the conclusion that the presence of labor organizations such as I have mentioned is a benefit to the management of the road rather than a detriment. I think this is an answer to some critics who have suggested that the Intercolonial, being a government road, should not recognize labor organizations. While it is a government road it has to be run on these lines like any other road.

Now let us hear what Mr. Haggart has to say on this subject, on behalf of the opposition.

My hon. friend denied the charge that his department was subject to political influence. He denied that men were promoted and kept on owing to the recommendations of certain members of parliament, political supporters of the government. He said that the minister of railways had no political influence at all over his department in that respect, that all the influence was in the hands of the union, to which 63 per cent. of the employees on the Intercolonial railway belonged. He said that the promotions and the salaries were dictated by the union. That was a most extraordinary statement. Just fancy the absolute control over the employees on the Intercolonial railway being, not in the department at all, but in the hands of a union which is controlled by these very employees. If that be the case, then the matter has no control over the promotion or the running of the road. He cannot dismiss or promote a man except with the consent of the union. That is a most extraordinary position. Why, a government railway, under the control of the people of this country, should not have a union on it at all. The employees on the government railway have parliament to look to, if the minister does not do them justice. The absolute control over the Intercolonial railway should be in the hands of the minister and his officers subject to the authority of parliament. The retention of a man or his dismissal or promotion should be in the hands of the government officers; and until it is, you cannot expect any different results than those you have at present.

DIED AT GREENWOOD.

Greenwood, March 18.—Last week Mrs. John H. Morrison, who has been a resident of Greenwood for the last seven years, passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Macfarlane, on Gold street. Mrs. Morrison has been ill for some time, and the end has been expected for a week past.

The deceased lady was born in Germany, at Coplands, on the Rhine, and was 43 years of age. She came to Greenwood in 1897, and is widely and well known in this vicinity. She was a very kindly woman and was well liked.

PAY DAY AT FERNIE.

Fernie, March 18.—The pay roll of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company for the month of February, though not a record one, represents a very respectable amount, and on pay day, which this month falls on the 21st, there will be distributed in wages at the different collieries of the company the sum of \$172,904.55.

BIG PRICES PAID FOR B. C. APPLES

Possibilities of Profit on Produce Raised in Kaslo District.

Kaslo, March 18.—The following prices were recently paid for British Columbia apples per box at Glasgow, Scotland, as reported by Messrs. Simons, Jacob & Co.: New Pippins, \$3.50 to \$4.75; Kings, \$4.50; Nonpareils, \$4.10 to \$4.18; Salvoys, \$4.10; Spitz, \$3.50 to \$4.10; Spys, \$3.50.

Trees at Kaslo produced last season from ten to twelve boxes per acre, with trees planted at the ratio of 100 to the acre. There are older trees in the Kootenay Lake district that produce 20 boxes to the tree. The cost of production, including growing wages and all other expenses, is approximately 50 cents per box. Sixty trees to the acre, and ten boxes to the tree, sold at the low price of \$1 per box, would bring a net profit of \$200 per acre. The above quotations show the possibilities of profit over \$200 per acre.

COAST FIRE CHIEFS MEET IN VICTORIA

Date of Annual Convention is Set at Meeting Held in Seattle Recently.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

It has been decided by the executive of the Pacific Coast Fire Chiefs' Association that the annual convention of that body will take place in Victoria on September 29th and 30th and October 1st and 2nd. The meeting in this decision was reached was held in Seattle Tuesday of last week. At this Chief Thomas Watson, of this city, presided. The officers who attended were: Chief Brighthouse, of Seattle; Chief Metz, of Walla Walla; Chief Carlisle, of Vancouver, and Chief Myers, of Spokane.

The dates have been arranged for the same week as the convention of the British Columbia Fire Chiefs' Association, so that the delegates to each may have the opportunity of attending the other convention. The New Westminster fair will also be on at the same time, so that the delegates from a distance to both meetings will have an opportunity of attending it.

"IN GOD WE TRUST" SOME MORE.

Device is Restored to U. S. Gold and Silver Coins.

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Under the suspension of the rules, the House of Representatives today passed the bill providing for the restoration of the motto "In God We Trust" on the gold and silver coins of the United States.

NEW EXCHEQUER JUDGE.

Ottawa, March 18.—Walter Cassels, the new judge of the Exchequer court, was sworn in today. He takes office immediately at the duties of this important office.

GRANBY IS STILL RECORD SMASHING

Immense Quantity of Ore Shipped to Grand Forks Smelter.

Phoenix, March 18.—Last week the Granby mines for the third consecutive week, not only broke the previous week's shipping record, but all other previous records. In the week ending March 13th, there were sent to the company's smelter—an average of 3,491 tons of ore daily.

IS HAPPILY MARRIED.

Italian's Loss Incidentally Resulted in Capture of a Wife.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Indirectly through the loss of \$1,400, of which he was robbed in the city last November, Tony Parravincini is now a happy married man. Tony, it may be remembered, was robbed in the North last fall with quite a lot of money, a portion of which three countrymen in the city were in the alleged mine owners got possession of his \$1,400. Some time since a man whom it is claimed is a member of the same gang, was arrested in San Francisco, and Detective George Perdue and the victim of the theft went down there to secure his extradition. It was while so engaged that Parravincini met a woman from his native land, Sunny Italy, whom he has since married.

At the White House reception on New Year's Day President Roosevelt shook hands with more than 5,000 people.

GAME LAWS ARE NOT ENFORCED

ILLEGAL DESTRUCTION OF ISLAND ANIMALS

Phil Oberlander Says Big Game Will Soon Be Extirpated in B. C.

Vancouver, March 16.—For the second time since he came to British Columbia, Phil Oberlander, the Bohemian big game hunter, has raised his voice in angry protest against the flagrant manner in which the provincial game laws are being violated. He saw enough during a hunting trip to Lillooet district last fall to report the wholesale infringements to the game wardens. Now after a hunting expedition at Campbell river on Vancouver Island, Mr. Oberlander has concluded that unless wholesale and wanton slaughter is stopped and the offenders severely punished the big game of the province will soon be exterminated.

"From observation and hearsay, I am convinced that there is a great deal of illegal destruction of game going on throughout the province," said Mr. Oberlander. "During my recent visit to Campbell river a well known trapper and hunter told me that he had shot a bull and three cow elk simply for the purpose of securing bait for poisoning wolves, for which the government offers a bounty of \$15 per head. These animals are protected by law. I was glad to hear the trapper admit that he had been unsuccessful in securing any wolves. Other cases where does with young were recklessly slaughtered for the same purpose were brought to my attention. It is an outrage and, although a stranger here, I think it my duty to draw the matter to the attention of the proper authorities. I think there is a strong necessity for the appointment of additional game wardens entrusted with a strict enforcement of the game laws. In its game British Columbia has a valuable asset for the benefit of its people and for legitimate non-residents who bring in money to the province. Incidentally the visitors from abroad leave a good deal of money in the country."

On his recent expedition Mr. Oberlander was accompanied by "Cougars" Smith, a local hunter of renown. He was successful in shooting two bears, three cougars, several racoons, a number of eagles and small game. He also captured a cub, which, however, died a few days later. The pelts will be forwarded to his castle in Bohemia.

Mr. Oberlander, who has hunted in nearly every part of the world, will sail on the Empress this week for the Orient. After enjoying a hunt for wild boar in India, he will return home via Siberia. Mr. Oberlander has planned to revisit British Columbia in August next, when he will ascend the Skeena river in order to have a try at the sheep, caribou and moose.

MAGISTRATE WARNS AUTOMOBILE DRIVER

Says Offenders Against the Law Will Be Severely Dealt With.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Magistrate Jay gave warning to-day to the automobilists of the city that he will deal severely with any drivers found guilty of violating the law, either by over-speeding or by turning in street corners too rapidly. The occasion of his remarks was the fining of Ernest Ferguson for turning a corner too rapidly.

The charge against Ferguson was that on Tuesday last week he turned the corner of Broad and Fort streets too rapidly. His action was reported to the police by a couple of prominent business men who also gave evidence in court yesterday, after which the case was adjourned until to-day.

Ferguson gave evidence in his own behalf to-day and one other witness was also heard in an endeavor to establish an alibi.

The magistrate in giving judgment said that the weight of evidence was clearly with the prosecution and accordingly fined Ferguson \$10 and costs.

BANK CLERK GETS MEDAL FOR BRAVERY

Royal Humane Society's Award for John Erskine of Vancouver.

(Special to The Times.)

Vancouver, March 17.—For heroically saving the life of a young lady who while attempting to skate on the thin ice of the reservoir is Stanley Park last January, John Erskine, a young athletic clerk in the Bank of Commerce here, has been awarded the Royal Humane Society's medal. Erskine came from Peterboro, Ont., two years ago.

Southern California has a stretch of country, lying between 20 ft. and 300 ft. below sea level, which is covered with salt, and yields 2,000 tons of this mineral every year.

DUNCAN TENNIS CLUB.

Duncan, March 16.—The annual meeting of the Duncan Lawn Tennis Club was held on Saturday last. Besides other routine business the date for the tournaments was fixed. The open events to be held July 16th, 17th and 18th, and a club handicap tournament in August.

The following officers were elected: W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., honorary president; A. H. Lomas, president; St. G. Steptey, vice-president; H. D. Morton, secretary-treasurer; K. Duncan, P. Keefe, J. Smith and C. Rivas, committee of management.

Personal Movements.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have returned to Duncan after spending the winter in Mexico and the States. In about a month they will move to their home at Cowichan Bay.

EVADING INLAND REVENUE.

Vancouver, March 17.—Joe Kett, a Chinese tobacco and fruit dealer on Carroll street, may have spent two months in jail for selling cigarettes that did not have the necessary inland revenue stamp. He was fined \$10 and costs, and the name of the smuggler was published in the newspapers.

The cigarettes which Joe Kett had in his possession were of a costly order. Inspector Thorburn said they would cost from \$14 to \$15 per hundred. They were of Russian and French makes. The accused said that he had bought them from a peddler, and furnished the name of the vendor. It proved to be a firm that formerly manufactured on Cordova street, but had been out of Russia since 1907. He then made up the cigarettes here. W. Hart-McGraw appeared for the inland revenue department.

CAPTAIN BROWN IS ON THE MUDLARK

Will Fill Position During the Absence of Master on Honey-moon Trip.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Burling is flying from the Dominion government dredge, Mudlark to-day in honor of the marriage of Capt. J. M. Newcombe, late master of the dredge, and his bride, who left on the Princess Royal for Seattle, where he will spend a few weeks visiting the different Sound cities.

During his absence the dredge Mudlark is in charge of Capt. Thos. H. Brown, the well-known local mariner. He being one of the pioneer seafarers, having come from Halifax on sealing schooners on several occasions, and following that industry for a number of years from seaman to master. He also spent several seasons steamboating on the Yukon and Atlin lake, being in the employ of the White Pass Company. Capt. Brown is well known in Victoria, and the Mudlark will be in competent hands during Capt. Newcombe's absence. He is a brother of Capt. Harry Brown, master of the steamer Cascade, in the employ of the marine and fisheries department.

They are already down 400 feet, and expect to go down nearly two thousand feet.

ARRESTED FOR BIGAMY.

St. Catharines, Ont., March 16.—James Carpenter was arrested at Welland on Saturday on a charge of bigamy. It is alleged that Carpenter was married nine years ago in Manitoba. Last fall wife and child were left in the Old Country to visit relatives. Carpenter came to Welland and married again, then wrote wife number one that he would have nothing more to do with her. She complained to the authorities.

COUNTRESS LOSSES CASE.

Washington, D. C., March 16.—The claim of the Countess of Bueva against the Major-General for \$250,000 damages on account of his revocation while military governor of Cuba of her license to slaughter all the cattle for six months was decided by the Supreme court of the United States against the Countess.

HERO OF MAFEKING INVITED TO LUNCHEON

Canadian Club Has Extended Invitation to Major Gen. Baden-Powell.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Major-General Baden-Powell, the hero of Mafeking, who is at the present time visiting Alaskan towns and making an extensive study of the question of transportation, has been invited to become the guest of the Canadian Club at lunch upon his arrival here.

The invitation to the famous soldier to attend was cabled by the Canadian Club to Seattle and from there will likely be forwarded to Alaska as Major-General Baden-Powell is expected to return to the Northwest before the snows become too soft for travel.

He will possibly return by way of Nome, when the Yukon river is open for navigation. The object of his journey is to study the means of transportation and supply questions in frozen countries.

He has traveled extensively in Norway for the war office on similar investigations.

CHARGES AGAINST JEROME.

Albany, N. Y., March 18.—Governor Hughes announced to-day that he had appointed to go to the United States Andrews of the Court of Appeals as a commissioner to take testimony and report on the case of the late Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, from where he mailed home a picture post card taken in Victoria, between October and December of last year.

DOMINION HAS LARGE SURPLUS

PUBLIC DEBT REDUCED BY THREE MILLIONS

Hon. W. S. Fielding Says Budget Has Exceeded Expectation.

(Special to The Times.)

Ottawa, March 17.—Hon. W. S. Fielding in the House to-day delivered his final address on the budget. He explained that the surplus for the month ending March 31st, 1907, was sixteen millions, a sum greater than he expected.

This was the largest surplus ever received, and for the twelve months would have been, of course, larger.

In the same nine months the public debt was reduced by three millions, the net debt was \$42,841 per head of the population, against \$50,821 in 1905. For the current year ending March 31st, Fielding prophesied a surplus of nineteen million dollars. The revenue for the current year was \$95,500,000, and the expenditure in consolidated funds \$77,500,000, leaving a surplus of \$18,000,000. However, there was as large an expenditure on the Transcontinental, making a total capital expenditure of \$8,000,000.

For the net result of the year's account this would add to the public debt for the year \$12,000,000. But for the expenditure on the Transcontinental it would have reduced the public debt by a quarter of a million dollars.

For the year ending March, 1907, Mr. Fielding said that the revenue would not be so large. Instead of \$94,000,000 it would be probably less than \$90,000,000, but before the close of the year the finances would more than have recovered. For the year ending March 31st, 1908, the revenue would be sufficient to meet all the expenditures on the consolidated account, and leave something for a surplus.

MONEY FOR MISSIONS.

Vancouver Wesleyans Come Forward With Large Sum.

Vancouver, March 16.—Wesley Methodist church yesterday raised upwards of \$3,000 in missionary giving. An additional \$700 will come through private sources, and there is every assurance that the aggregate of \$3,000 will be reached. The church gave \$5,130. Of this over \$3,000 goes to the maintenance of two missionaries, one in Japan and the other in China. It is now proposed to create a fourth pastorate in connection with Wesley church, the new appointee to be placed in charge of the new pastorate. At a meeting of the executive of the district league connected with the Methodist church of New Canada, held at Vancouver, it was decided to direct this year's efforts toward the support of the home mission field rather than the foreign field. The new mission will be opened and maintained, and the location will be fixed by the conference in May.

QUIETLY WEDDED AT ST. BARNABAS' CHURCH

Capt. Newcombe and Miss Morry United in Marriage This Morning.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A quiet wedding was solemnized this morning at St. Barnabas' church, Rev. J. Gundry officiating. The contracting parties were Capt. J. M. Newcombe and Miss Murial Morry, eldest daughter of Mr. Wm. Morry.

The bride looked charming in princess gown of Brussels net over tulle and silk, and the conventional veil of tulle and orange blossoms, carrying a beautiful shower bouquet of bride roses, lily of the valley and maiden hair fern.

Her sister, Miss Elsie Morry, acted as bridesmaid. Mr. Harvey Jameson supported the groom. The bridesmaid wore a dainty costume of silk, tulle and lace, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

Capt. and Mrs. Newcombe left on the Princess Royal for Grand Forks via Seattle.

The bride's going away costume was of pastel blue with hat to match. The happy couple were the recipients of numerous and handsome presents.

Among the wedding presents received by Capt. and Mrs. Newcombe was a beautiful silver tea service and tray presented by the officers and crew of the D. G. dredge Mudlark and steamer Princess.

HEMATITE IRON ORE ON SALT SPRING

Seattle Firm Negotiating for Mine—Amount Involved \$60,000.

Duncan, March 16.—Some local men own claims of hematite iron ore on Salt Spring Island. As there is an advantage in smelting this ore with iron pyrites, the ordinary ore on the coast, this will probably be a valuable mine one of these days.

A man from Seattle visited Salt Spring last week and is trying to put through a sale for a Seattle company. The price is about \$60,000.

The local police have received inquiries from Joshua Hutton, of Newland, Hull, England, for information as to the whereabouts of his son, Thomas Hodman Hutton, last heard from at San Francisco, from where he mailed home a picture post card taken in Victoria, between October and December of last year.

HISTORY OF STUMPING MACHINE.

Kaslo, March 16.—Jim Spiers' big stumping machine is being put in shape for this year's stumping operations. This machine has quite a history. The original parts were constructed in Calgary in 1894. It was shipped to Nanaimo, Vancouver Island. There it was kept busy for a couple of seasons clearing land. Compared with that section of Vancouver Island, land clearing around here is an easy matter. Stumps are few in diameter, were the average there. The first thing was to give them the hoist with a case or so of stumping powder. This operation shattered them so that they could be yanked out in sections by the machine. Ten years ago J. W. Power brought the stump-puller to Kaslo and with it cleared a portion of the hill-townsite, then owned by the Kaslo-Kootenay Land Company. It has been making good use of it lately, first on one side of the creek and then on the other.

HEAVY SENTENCE FOR VANCOUVER THIEF

"Too Much of This Thing Going On," Said Crown Prosecutor Kennedy.

Vancouver, March 17.—Convicted on two charges of theft, John Anthill was sent to jail for twelve months by Magistrate Williams yesterday. The sentence on each count was twelve months, but the terms run concurrently. Anthill was arrested by Detective Jackson and McLeod at 3 o'clock on Sunday morning. He carried a bundle of clothes under his arm, and things looked so suspicious that the officers investigated. They found that the clothes had been stolen from John Shannon at the Columbia hotel. It was later found that Anthill had also stolen a watch from George McKenzie at the Spokane rooming house, and had sold it to a second-hand dealer.

"There is too much of this thing going on," said Magistrate Williams. "Anthill admitted both thefts. He told the police that he walked to Vancouver from the Spokane rooming house, and had seen Stephen Speight, a young man arrested with Anthill, was allowed to go, there being no evidence against him."

HAS JUST RETURNED FROM THE FOOTHILLS

Arthur Manson of the Northwest Oil Company is Back to City.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Arthur Manson, president of the Northwest Oil Company, in which a large number of local capitalists are interested, has just returned from a trip to Southern Alberta, where his company is boring for oil at Pincher Creek, just in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains.

Mr. Manson when seen yesterday said that his company had expended fifteen thousand dollars in putting in a plant for boring. This was being worked by a number of experienced oilmen from Ohio. They are already down 400 feet, and expect to go down nearly two thousand feet.

The prospects are very good. At 175 feet from the surface a seepage of oil was struck, and the whole formation of the soil resembles that of Ohio, the oil country from which large supplies of the Rockefeller juice is taken. The country there is a wonderful one, according to the reports Mr. Manson brings. Speaking of that country he says:

"When I arrived on March 2d the thermometer registered fifteen degrees below zero, but before I left the thaw had set in. There is in the immediate neighborhood of our camp plenty of fishing and shooting. Trappers are able to catch mink, marten and other small game, and there are many wild horses in the neighborhood."

"There is a sawmill fifteen miles from the camp, and it is a point of interest. At a place called Mountain Mill, twenty men are engaged in digging coal from a vein in the mountain side, and hauling it away on sleighs on the frozen river."

Mr. Manson will have a favorable report to submit to his board of directors when they meet.

J. F. ANNETTE'S BODY HAS NOT BEEN FOUND

Diligent Search is Being Prosecuted but Without Success.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Further search was continued yesterday for the body of J. F. Annette, who was drowned in Saanich Inlet on Sunday afternoon last, by J. P. Elford, who was of the original party in the wrecked boat, and Larry Hagen.

Mr. Hagen put his rowboat into service and with Mr. Elford made an all-day search along the shores and upon the island.

They were assisted by several Indians with canoes from the reservation. The search proved futile beyond the discovery of a pair of the boat's rubber shoes and the missing man's hat. During the day Mr. Elford identified the boat washed ashore on the Indian reservation. It is thought that the body of the unfortunate man has been carried out to sea and very little hope of its recovery is entertained.

BACK TO THE LAND.