

DELTA RAILWAY SCHEME

Last Evening's Meeting Endorses the Proposition in a General Way.

No One Actively Identified With the Project Present to Explain Its Objects.

There was a good attendance of ratepayers at the meeting in the City Hall last evening to discuss the Delta railway project. Alderman Munn having been voted to the chair, explained the object of the meeting, which was better, quicker and cheaper transportation between Island and Mainland, without which all natural advantages would be useless to any place.

Mr. Haughton, who was called upon to address the meeting, said that he had not expected to be the first speaker, but would rather have heard others who might probably be better posted on the subject. However, as every dollar he had invested here, he was probably as much interested as those who had ten times as much.

bridge, upon the line as suggested by the delegation from the Fraser valley. Ald. Munn explained that when the matter of the Victoria and Sidney road was first proposed, he was asked to introduce a by-law to assist it, and he answered that another company had received a guarantee, but if that company would carry out its object it was all the city could stand.

Mr. Haughton seconded the resolution, and answered Mr. Wilson's remarks. He did not believe that Victoria should stand still for Amor de Cosmos or Mr. Wilson, and it was his duty to depend on men like de Cosmos and Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson retorted that if Mr. Haughton had done the 100th part as much for Victoria and British Columbia, he would not say what he had. "Rate."

Mr. Wilson—Ah, you green-horns may "rate," but let me tell you who, making, like Mr. de Cosmos is what, perhaps, some of you are not—Mr. de Cosmos. Mr. N. Shakespeare asked what "the lines suggested by the delegation" are?

THE CITY. At the residence of the bride's father, on Pandora street, last evening, Mr. M. Hamberger of Wellington, and Miss Ella Leiser, eldest daughter of Mr. Simon Leiser, were married.

INTELLIGENCE was received yesterday of the decease of Mrs. John Paterson, which took place at Dewdney on the 1st inst. Mrs. Paterson came to Ontario from Scotland, her native country, in 1856, taking up her residence in Toronto, where she was married.

THE assignees of Green, Worlock & Co. are working night and day in straightening out the affairs of the defunct bank, and hope to present a statement of the assets and liabilities to the creditors by the end of the week.

ON SATURDAY last the second of the series of meetings held under the auspices of the North and South Saanich Agricultural society took place at the West Saanich schoolhouse.

THE trial of the case of Jensen at Lorimer, was held yesterday before Hon. Mr. Justice Walker, without a jury. The circumstances of the case have already been stated.

THE Liverpool Weekly Mercury of February 3 contains an extended notice of the death on board the sailing ship Queen of the West, the previous Saturday, at the Runcom docks, of Captain Frederick Charles & Co., Liverpool, overseer of the firm of Price & Co., Liverpool.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA.

The First Day of the March Meeting Devoted Almost Exclusively to Routine Business.

Sunday Work at the Esquimalt Dock the Subject of Petition to Ottawa.

The March meeting of the Presbytery of Victoria opened Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, in the school room of St. Andrew's church. There were present: Revs. Dr. Campbell, A. B. Winchester, T. H. Rogers (Wellington), D. A. Macrae (Nanaimo), Alexander Tait (Comox), D. MacRae and P. McE. Macleod, with Mr. J. F. Bethune, Rev. Joseph Hamilton of Tacoma, was also in attendance.

Communications from the secretary of the General Assembly's Foreign Missions committee, in relation to the work among the Chinese and Indians, were received and tabled for future action.

A report on temperance work, presented by Mr. Bethune, was also received and adopted. The matter of prescribing a special course of study for Mr. Coleman, assistant to Rev. Mr. Winchester, was deferred until the next sitting of the Presbytery.

Wednesday morning's session of the Presbytery of Victoria opened at 10 o'clock, the Moderator presiding. The first item of business taken up was in the form of a statistical report from Rev. Dr. Campbell on the Sabbath school work of the past year.

The report was received and adopted, and the Sunday School committee was authorized to arrange for a Presbytery Sabbath school convention during the year at a place to be subsequently selected, should the committee decide that the holding of such a convention is desirable.

At the request of Rev. Mr. Macleod, a committee consisting of the Moderator, Rev. Dr. Campbell and Rev. A. B. Winchester was appointed to meet and confer with Mr. Macleod. This was the last business of the morning.

At the afternoon the Home Missions report was considered, and the following resolutions taken: Satisfaction being expressed with the progress of St. Paul's, Victoria West, a grant of \$400 was recommended for the ensuing year.

THE CITY.

HON. MR. JUSTICE DRAKE yesterday rendered his decision in the appeal from the umpire's award in the arbitration between Edwin John and the Victoria & Sidney railway, reducing the amount from \$1,500 to \$1,200, the company to pay the costs of the appeal.

A YOUNG man named Henry Olsen arrested down by the new train on the E. & N. yesterday, from Sonoma, who he had had his leg broken through the falling of a tree. He was conveyed in the Dupont ambulance from the station to the Jubilee hospital, where he is being cared for.

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THE assignment is announced this morning of Mr. Henry Saunders to Messrs. R. P. Athey, William Wilson and C. F. Todd. The assignment will be carried on as usual, the business being simply for the purpose of conveniently and expeditiously dealing with Mr. Saunders' affairs, during the suspension of the bank of Green, Worlock & Co.

THE old man Patti, who was found in a dying condition in his cabin on Tuesday afternoon, died in the city ambulance, which was removed to the Jubilee hospital, and his remains will be interred in Ross Bay cemetery on Saturday. It is not known whether an inquest will be held into the death, but it is not expected there will be one.

A CHINESE firm of Port Townsend claims to have received positive information that a big purse is being raised in this city by the opium "cookers" to initiate a determined crusade at Washington with a view to having the present high tariff on prepared opium retained. Rumors of this character have been in circulation ever since the Wilson bill proposed to reduce the duty to \$6 a pound, and it is said that when the McKinley bill was in Congress over \$300,000 was spent in getting the \$12 tariff through.

THE pirates boarded the Thermopylae in the dark Tuesday evening, and as they took Captain Winchester entirely by surprise, they had complete possession and control of the vessel. The Englisher approached the Captain, and placing him under formal arrest, took him below, the remainder of the party following closely, the crew having been "fixed."

BRACKMAN & KER MILLING CO. v. McLAUGHLIN—This action, which was tried yesterday before Mr. Justice Drake, is over the possession of the plant and machinery in the Victoria West steam bakery, the owner of which, W. Jordan, left town unexpectedly some time since. Following his departure a number of his creditors took proceedings to protect their rights, among them the defendant and the plaintiff, the latter of whom had a chattel mortgage on the plant.

corresponded with Barton, and at his request had subsequently sent him \$5 as a guarantee of good faith. She has received no further communication from him, and Assistant Postmaster Cairns says that Barton has not called for the mail in box 387 in two months past.

ANOTHER RAILWAY.

Two gentlemen who are identified with a company proposing to run a railway line from Blaine, Washington, to connect with the three big transcontinental roads were in town yesterday for the purpose of interesting Victorians in supplementing the project with a line of steamers from this port.

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THE P. O. HOME.

Mr. F. H. Worlock Resigns the Presidency and is Succeeded by Mr. Hayward.

A regular meeting of the managers of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home was held in the Mayor's room at the City Hall last evening, with Right Rev. Bishop Crige in the chair. There were also present Mr. Jas. Hutchinson, Mr. Chas. Hayward, Rev. E. Robinson, Rev. S. Cleaver, Mr. N. Shakespeare, Mr. H. Carmichael, Mr. Thornton Fall, and Mr. John Jessop.

Balance as per annual report..... \$1,095 04 Cash since received..... 207 65 Total..... \$1,302 69

On motion, the treasurer's statement was received, and the officers authorized to arrange with the Bank of British Columbia for the necessary funds to carry on the work of the institution.

Mr. Edgar Crow Baker was elected to the board of management as a representative of the Episcopal church, and Mr. Charles Hayward was chosen president of the home for the balance of the year.

THE funeral of the late Mrs. Hardie took place on Sunday morning at the new burying ground. The Rev. Archdeacon McKay officiated at the grave. On Sunday morning last Rev. Archdeacon McKay preached a funeral sermon in St. Paul's church to a very attentive and appreciative audience.

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Various small advertisements and notices on the left margin, including mentions of 'HAWAII', 'THE UNITED STATES', and 'LONDON'.