

BESSIE DOLLAR TO DOCK INSIDE

WILL USE CHEMICAL COMPANY'S NEW WHARF

Plenty of Water and Space for All Liners Has Been Provided.

Steamer Bessie Dollar is expected here next week with a consignment of about 1,000 feet of sulphur for the Victoria Chemical Works. This will be landed at the new wharf recently constructed by the Chemical Company for their own private use. The Bessie Dollar will be the first vessel to use the new wharf.

The building of this wharf has been made possible by the work of the Dominion government dredging which has just completed deepening the water at that point to 20 feet at the lowest possible tide, but having at ordinary times never less than 25 feet of water. This will allow the largest vessels that come here to discharge their cargo at the company's own wharf.

The new wharf is 300 feet in length and is therefore large enough for all purposes. It is probably the finest wharf at this port, with the exception of the outer dock. Hitherto the Chemical Company has had to haul its sulphur, nitre and other products from the outer dock and to haul it back when shipping out. Now all this will be changed. The vessels will be at their own dock to load or discharge.

The opening of this wharf means a distinct step in advance in the shipping trade of Victoria. There was at one time a notion abroad that large vessels could not enter the harbor. Now they will not only be loading and discharging at the new wharf, but in a very short time will be coming on up into the upper harbor to load lumber at the Sawyard mills, which have recently been purchased by the Michigan Pacific Lumber Company for the express purpose of developing its immense limits and engaging in the foreign trade.

GRANBY DECLARES TWO PER CENT. DIVIDEND

Over Quarter of Million Dollars to Be Disbursed—One Shipments.

Nelson, Dec. 13.—News has been received here that at the monthly meeting of the Granby Mining Company held in New York on Tuesday last a dividend of 2 per cent. was declared upon the \$13,500,000 of common stock issued, the total to be disbursed in this way being \$270,000.

The chief topic of interest in mining circles at the present time is the convention to be held in this city on Wednesday next, when the zinc problem will be taken up and dealt with. Owing to the fact that the zinciferous ore is more than usual interest being displayed in zinc properties and in all matters relating to that branch of mining.

One Shipment.

The ore shipments for the week were as follows:

Boundary, last week, 40,267 tons; year, 1,563,214 tons.

Frossland, week, 4,988 tons; year, 221,848 tons.

Slocan Kootenay, week, 3,844 tons; year, 131,554 tons. The total ore shipments for the week were 49,109 tons; year to date, 1,896,616 tons.

GETTING CONTROL OF PARLIAMENT SQUARE

Final Steps Taken to Acquire All Private Property.

All the preliminary details have now been disposed of preparatory to the provincial government proceeding with its plans for the utilization of the whole of what will be known as Parliament Square—the entire block bounded by Belleville, Menzies, Superior and Government streets. Yesterday the five remaining pieces of property in the block which are required by the government-owned by Mrs. Fraser, Frank Leroy, R. L. Drury, G. A. Richardson and the McDonnell estate were requisitioned. The latter owned the two-story building known as Mrs. McDonnell's boarding house which adjoins the garage on Government street.

The major portion of the private property in the square had been acquired by negotiation with the owners, James Forman, of Helsterman & Co., being the valuator, and the remaining pieces of property had been appraised by an expert valuator attached to the staff of the B. C. Land & Investment Agency. A period of 20 days is allowed to lapse during which the property owners may accept or reject the tenders made yesterday and in the event of negative replies being received the government will proceed to obtain possession by arbitration.

EX-QUEEN WILL PRESS CLAIMS

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.—Former Queen Elizabeth of Italy is in this city en route to Washington, where she will press her claim against the United States government. As a result of the seizure of certain lands in Hawaii by the United States, when the islands were made part of this government, she claims \$250,000. She will remain here until the arrival of her son, Joseph Kahanaloa, also known as Prince Cupid, before proceeding East.

A French boy of twelve years of age has had a painting hung in the Paris Salon.

LOSES JEWELRY WORTH \$300,000

Woman Returns Home to Find Collection of Gems Had Been Stolen.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 13.—A large force of private detectives to-day are working to solve the mystery of a \$300,000 jewel robbery, the largest of its kind that has occurred here in many years, reported yesterday. The jewelry was stolen on Saturday from the apartments of Mrs. John W. Mackin, formerly of Chicago, who since reaching New York, has resided on the eighth floor of the Hotel Lorraine.

Mrs. Mackin told the police that she left the hotel shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. When she returned at 5:30 she found the rooms in disorder. Her collection of diamonds and other jewelry, which had been in a black leather purse in her dresser, were gone. It is thought that the thieves gained entrance by means of a false key. None of the hotel employees had seen any strangers in that part of the hotel.

POISON IN RE. Attempt Made to Kill Watchman at Government Dock at Tacoma.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 10.—Chemical analysis of the cocoanut custard pie eaten by Matthew McCulley, the aged watchman at the government dock, who was taken seriously ill Sunday night following his midnight lunch, developed the fact that the pie contained large quantities of strychnine—more than enough to kill an adult. The analysis was made by City Chemist E. O. Heinrich in pursuance to instructions from the commissioner of public works. It will be turned over to the police department and an effort made to apprehend the person who undoubtedly sought McCulley's death.

The watchman is now at Fannie Pad-dock hospital slowly recovering from the violent illness he suffered by taking one bite of the poisonous pastry. He has recovered sufficiently to make a statement in which he declares he is positive he was poisoned. By whom he says he does not know. He refused to say whether he has any enemies in Tacoma.

INSANE PATIENT SHOT BY TOWN MARSHAL

Man Who Escaped From Asylum Refused to Surrender After Killing Sheriff.

Shreveport, Ohio, Dec. 13.—After killing Sheriff Bell of Holmes county, running wild for 48 hours and terrorizing the people, A. E. Boley, an escaped patient from the Massillon state hospital for the insane, was fatally shot and captured on the farm of R. S. Wells, one mile north of here.

Trailing by posses, Boley ran in and out of traps all day, standing his pursuers off with his shotgun or eluding them by fleetness of foot. Just at nightfall a posse saw him running across an open field. W. S. Hoover, town marshal, called upon him to halt, and then fired the bullet striking Boley in the abdomen. He fell to the ground, but fought savagely, kicking, biting and scratching until overpowered. He was placed aboard a train for Wooster and died on the way.

The Delphi, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, which has been idle at Eagle Harbor for many months, has been chartered by the Dollar Steamship Company, of San Francisco, and will be taken over December 20th and operated in the lumber trade between Puget Sound and California ports. It will be overhauled before her new operators take her over and she probably will run in connection with the Melville Dollar, Harold Dollar and Stanley Dollar, of the same company.



Women's nerves are often ruined by sewing. The strain of working the machine is bad. The strain on the eyes is often worse. Once the nervous system is run down, nothing short of patient and persistent treatment will bring back health and vigor. Best if you can get out into the fresh air and sunshine—build up the nervous system by using

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ANOTHER PIONEER DIES THIS MORNING

Mrs. Kate Wallace Passes Away at the Ripe Age of 91 Years.

(From Monday's Daily.) Death this morning removed another pioneer resident of the city in the person of Mrs. Kate Wallace, who lived in Victoria for the past forty years. Deceased, who had reached the advanced age of 91 years, was relict of the late Capt. Marshall Wallace, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and lived in the Fort Street.

The late Mrs. Wallace enjoyed the acquaintance of a large circle of friends amongst the families of the pioneers of Victoria, and despite her great age she maintained until the last an active interest in affairs, and the news of her death will be very widely regretted. Deceased came of a family remarkable for its longevity, her sister, Mrs. Jones, mother of R. Jones, who recently passed away at the age of ninety-five years. Mrs. Wallace was a sister of the late Capt. Raymond, and grandchildren are Miss Frances Drake and Mrs. Muspratt-Williams, now living in England, and Cecil F. Drake. Mrs. Muspratt-Williams, it will be recalled, formerly lived with her husband, Major Muspratt-Williams, at Work Point barracks, afterwards removing to the Old Country. The funeral has been arranged to take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the late residence and at 2:30 from Christ Church cathedral.

ACCIDENT AVERTED BY A NARROW MARGIN

Prompt Action Saves E. & N. Train From Possible Wreck.

(From Monday's Daily.) What might have proved a serious accident to the down train on the E. & N. last evening was averted by the prompt action of a party of hunters from Victoria. The latter happened along in the vicinity of the Cowichan station, where a filling had recently been repaired, and discovered that the rails of Saturday night and Sunday had again undermined the tracks at that point. A freight train had recently passed over the section without difficulty, but it was apparent that continued-sinking in the filling had rendered it dangerous for the passenger train to attempt the crossing, as some of the rails were being undermined by the water. Steps were at once taken to flag the approaching train, when the crew of the latter secured some old ties and made the crossing.

In connection with the repairs along the line of the E. & N. as a consequence of the recent severe floods, it is announced that work will be resumed in the extension in the direction of the Haslam creek, which had been washed out, having been replaced. This will allow of the transportation of coal from Extension to Ladysmith without the collision between the two vessels at the entrance to Vancouver harbor on December 3rd last year, was concluded in the admiralty court yesterday afternoon. Judgment was reserved.

JUDGMENT RESERVED IN ADMIRALTY CASE

Charmer-Bermuda Litigation Now Before the Court for Consideration.

(From Friday's Daily.) The case of the C.P.R., as owners of the Charmer, against Macdonald, Marpole & Co., owners of the tug Bermuda, for \$16,000 damages, arising out of the collision between the two vessels at the entrance to Vancouver harbor on December 3rd last year, was concluded in the admiralty court yesterday afternoon. Judgment was reserved.

CAPTAIN KINNEY HERE FROM SKEENA RIVER

Skipper is Fascinated by Life in the North and Will Return in Spring.

Captain Kinney, of the River steamer Conveyor, which has been operating throughout the summer on the Skeena, has just arrived from the Skeena and is not returning until spring. He is undecided whether to go East to fetch his family or to send for them to come here. Speaking of the work up North Captain Kinney said that his steamer took the special pace from Prince Rupert on the way to Hazelton up the river as far as they could go, but after that they had to tramp through a rough country. A report arrived in Prince Rupert that a number of them had been upset from a canoe in the Kitlasia canyon and drowned, but it was false.

According to the captain, the Indians up there are a much finer lot of men than those in this neighborhood. They take much more pride in themselves, and are dressed up after work and imitating the white men in almost everything. The Indians, and they do the work well. They

NEW STEAMER HERE IN SPRING

BOSCOWITZ VESSEL UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Fine Craft to Leave Old Country for Victoria March First.

The growth of the shipping trade of the coast is well exemplified by the improvements which are being made in the local steamship fleets. There is a steamer under construction for the Boscowitz Steamship company, which although not quite so large as some of the vessels coming here, will be among the best, and eminently well fitted for the purpose for which she is designed. She will be about the same length as the Vado but with four feet more beam and greater speed. She will carry a good many more passengers and will be splendidly fitted throughout. Her cabins show accommodation for 56 first class as well as a large number of steerage. The dining saloon will seat 50 and in every way she is fitted to give the highest degree of comfort to her passengers. Being a twin screw, she will handle well, and her double bottom insures perfect safety from sinking. Engineer Arthur is in the Old Country superintending her construction and he will have charge of the engines on the way out.

She is being built by Messrs. Napier & Miller at Old Kilpatrick on the Clyde. This is the yard where the ill-fated steamer Islander was built, the builders at that time were Napier Shanks & Bell.

An examination of the plans show that the new steamer is of the awning deck type, built under Lloyd's rules to class 100 A1, she will be 196 feet long E. P., 35 feet beam and 13.6 feet depth of hold. Her deck will carry 500 tons on a mean draft of 11.6, will have twin screws and a guaranteed speed of 12 knots loaded.

The first class accommodation will be contained in deckhouse on the awning deck and will have 28 staterooms, each with a double lower and single upper berths, folding lavatories and upholstered settees. The after end of the saloon will be the ladies' dining room and will have large look-out windows at the stern, the forward end of the saloon will be a general lounge and will also have observation windows. The dining saloon will be on the main deck, right aft and will have seating accommodation for 50 people.

The smoking room and bar will be right aft on the boat deck and will be reached by a companion way from the main saloon, on this deck will also be the captain's and officers' rooms and above these will be the chart and wheelhouse and flying bridge. The between-decks will be fitted with 150 berths for steerage passengers which will be portable, so that this space can, when necessary, be used for cargo.

Below the main deck will be the cargo holds, which are two in number, the main forward hold having a large capacity. A unique feature of the afterhold will be that the double bottom tank will be level with the tips of the tunnels, which are kept low for this purpose, and by this means will give an unbroken space for stowage of cargo; the ship is fitted throughout with double bottom and watertight bulkheads and will be modern construction in every particular. She will be fitted with latest type of quick cargo hoists, and will have a special derrick for handling lifts up to 15 tons.

The specifications call for all the fittings to be of the very best quality for the steamers and passenger accommodations, she will be fitted with electric light throughout and will have a powerful searchlight.

The builders report that the vessel was in frame on the 29th of November and will be ready to launch by the end of December, being ready for launching by the first of February and ready for sea by the first of March. She will then sail direct for Victoria and will be expected to arrive here in about 60 days.

This vessel will be a splendid addition to the fleet now trading with the Northern British Columbia ports and the Boscowitz Steamship company are to be complimented upon their enterprise in acquiring a vessel of this description. Since the old C. P. N. company has been absorbed by the C. P. R. company, this company is now the oldest steamship company doing business in British Columbia waters, the majority of the stock being held in Victoria.

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Indians, and the ydo work well. They are not lazy, in this respect particularly showing their superiority over the more southerly tribes.

Captain Kinney says he likes the river life much better than deep sea sailing. There is a fascination about it which appeals to him. He was particularly pleased with the scenery of the upper Skeena in the neighborhood of the canyons, where the mountains are steep on either side.

The two steamers, Distributor and Omnica, which got into shallow water above Kitlasia, have both been hauled out on the banks of the river and will be ready for work in the spring. The other two steamers, the Conveyor, Operator and Saccara, are tied at Prince Rupert, where they will be overhauled in readiness for the spring business.

The captain says that Prince Rupert is very busy and is undoubtedly destined to become a great city. The work on the roads and sewers is being continued and by spring everything will be in readiness to handle the rush of population which is expected.

Captain Kinney is renewing old acquaintances in the city, his long stay here as skipper of the ship Senator having given him many opportunities of making friends.

BURNED TO DEATH.
Toronto, Dec. 13.—At the King street west branch of the Canada Foundry Company, Christie Vassil, a Macedou-

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for an Act authorizing the Vancouver Island and Eastern Railway Company to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from a point at or near Seymour Narrows, on Vancouver Island, in a northerly direction and by the most feasible route to a point on Quatsino Sound, Vancouver Island, in connection with the line of railway authorized to be constructed by the Act of the Parliament of Canada passed in the Session 78, Edward VII., Chapter 37, and intitled: "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver and Eastern Railway Company, and applying the provisions of the said above-named Act to the said extension, and for the continuation of the charter of the said Company, and for an extension of time for the commencement of construction of the line of railway of the said line of railway by the said above-named Act authorized to be constructed."

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this nineteenth day of October, A.D. 1909.
R. C. LOWE,
Solicitor for the Applicants,
P. O. Box 1, Victoria, B. C.

Form No. 9.
LAND ACT.
FORM OF NOTICE.
Victoria Land District, District of Victoria.
Take notice that Earl Winton Clarke, of Victoria, B. C., occupation, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a point planted on the north shore of Young Island, which lies a little to the west of Coal Island, situated at the head of the Saanich Peninsula, thence following round the coast line of said Young Island to point of commencement.
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"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the Matter of an Application for Duplicate Certificate of Title to Section 8, Renfrew District.
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention, at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof, to issue a Duplicate Certificate of Title to above lands, issued to Henry John Kirby on the 9th day of September, 1897, and numbered 4178.
S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General,
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 19th day of November, 1909.

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The Liverpool magistrates sent a man named William Moody to prison for a month for cruelty to a dog, which was found in an outhouse in a very emaciated condition.

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