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(From Saturday's Daily.)

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In the debate on "markets," a resolution was placed before the meeting asking that the Dominion government license fruit commission dealers, and compel them to give bonds in substantial amounts for the better protection of the shipper. The question, however, was laid over one of the difficulties being that such legislation was more a matter for provincial than the federal government. A particularly strong resolution on "nursery control" was thrown out on the same grounds.

The subject of packages took up a good deal of the last day; the barrel box, and basket men all being in evidence. After a long discussion the contact was recommended whereby such boxes should be used within the country as well as for export. This applies to closed packages only.

On Friday morning a committee of seven, selected by the convention, waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier to urge the placing of express companies under the jurisdiction of the railway commission. The committee refrained from multiplying statistics, and aimed rather at establishing the general principle that express companies as general carriers should come under the control of the commission precisely as railway companies had done. The premier gave a particularly careful hearing to the committee, and admitted the force of the arguments. The claim that, when a certain crop up between the shipper and the express companies, there should be a court of appeal composed of absolutely disinterested parties, is a sound one, and the fruit growers have secured something by introducing in a forcible manner this whole question.

PRINCE ARTHUR'S EASTWARD JOURNEY

LEFT VANCOUVER EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

Crowds Gathered at Points Along the Railway and Cheered His Royal Highness.

Vancouver, April 1.—His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught and party left on a special train early this morning for the east.

The departure was quiet and unostentatious by any ceremony. His presence has been desired at lunch and dinner in the royal saloon, an honor greatly appreciated by Mr. Baker and the great company he represents.

Journey to Sicamous. Sicamous Junction, April 1.—From Vancouver to Sicamous was to-day's journey. The return trip to England, via the scheduled hour, six o'clock this morning, the special C. P. R. royal train consisting of two baggage cars, dining car, sleeping car, and the magnificent special cars Cornwall and York, bearing His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught and party, took its departure from Vancouver and followed its winding way up the Fraser and magnificent valleys of the Fraser and Thompson rivers. The weather was fine and all the party were in the best of health and spirits.

The Prince, seated in the commodious vestibule of the car Cornwall at the rear of the train, viewed the varying scenes of mountain, river and canyon and acknowledged by graceful smiles and bows the expressions of Canadian loyalty from the people along the route.

Although the hour was early the people were assembled at every station and the train passed banners were waved and cheers given for the young Prince.

The first stop was made at North Bend at 10.45, where His Royal Highness addressed a walk up and down the station platform and in the beautiful gardens adjoining the C. P. R. hotel. A short stop was made at Spence's Bridge.

At 11.30 a.m. a large crowd had gathered. His Royal Highness inspected a guard of honor from the Rocky Mountain Rangers and expressed extreme pleasure at this demonstration.

Sicamous was reached at 7.30 p.m., where the party stays overnight. In the morning the Prince will cast the famous silver trout in Shuswap lake. The next stop will be made at Field on Monday night.

THERE IS NOW A MASS OF PROOF THAT LUMBAGO IS ALWAYS CURED BY DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Quebec Man Cured His Kidneys With Dodd's Kidney Pills, and His Lumbago Vanished.

Quebec, P. Q., March 30.—(Special.)—John Ball, a bricklayer, residing at 51 Little Champlain street, this city, has added his statement to the great mass of proof that Lumbago is caused by disordered kidneys, and consequently easily cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Mr. Ball says: "I was troubled with Lumbago for two years. I could not work. I had to get up at nights to urinate so often that my rest was broken. I read of cures by Dodd's Kidney Pills and made up my mind to try them. After the first box I could see and feel a change. Three boxes cured me completely."

Lumbago, like Rheumatism, is caused by uric acid in the blood. Uric acid cannot stay in the blood if the kidneys are working right. Dodd's Kidney Pills make the kidneys work right.

THE RECEPTION IN VANCOUVER

WELCOME ACCORDED THE ROYAL VISITOR

Prince Arthur Inspected the Duke of Connaught's Own Militia Regiment and Veterans.

Vancouver is reported to have had bright weather for the arrival of Prince Arthur of Connaught on Saturday. His Royal Highness was received by a guard of honor from the local militia regiment, the Duke of Connaught's Own, The Princess Victoria, with the royal party on board, reached Vancouver at 12.30. While the band of the regiment played "God Save the King" cheers were given by the Japanese on barges moored in the inlet. Immediately after landing, carriages conveyed the party to the drill hall, where the civic address was presented, to which an appropriate reply was delivered.

The address from the city, read by A. McEvoy, city clerk, was as follows: To His Royal Highness Prince Arthur Frederick Patrick Albert of Connaught, Knight of the Garter, Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King, etc., etc., etc. May It Please Your Royal Highness: The citizens of Vancouver are most happy in extending to Your Royal Highness their sincere welcome to their city. Permit us to congratulate you on the very important part Your Royal Highness has so efficiently performed in the further establishing of the friendly ties between the Empire of Japan and our own Motherland. We would voice the hope that you may be long spared to a feat in which Your Royal Highness may continue to contribute your share in adding to the grand traditions which have made the rule of our Empire the synonym of justice and truth.

We have an additional satisfaction in welcoming Your Royal Highness to our city, inasmuch as you are the son of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, the Colonel-in-Chief of our city regiment, in the efficiency and esprit de corps of which our citizens take an intense pride.

We thank God that you have been thus far brought on your journey in safety, and as your face is now turned homeward, we express the hope and belief that Your Royal Highness' journey from the Pacific to the Atlantic, through our Dominion of Canada, will be replete with interest and enjoyment, the recollection of which will not soon be effaced from your memory.

We trust that under God's Providence you will reach your home in safety, and we entreat Your Royal Highness to convey to our Sovereign Lord, King Edward VII, the assurance of our unalloyed loyalty and devotion.

The Prince read the following reply: Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen:—I am, I assure you, deeply impressed by the hearty welcome accorded to me on my first landing on the Mainland of British Columbia, and for the wishes which you have expressed on my behalf.

I account it no small privilege to be permitted to undertake this journey, a journey which, if I regard anything from its beginning, promises to be full of interest and enjoyment. The pleasure of the occasion is enhanced by the fact that this unmistakably cordial welcome is participated in by a regiment bearing the name of my father.

It will be my agreeable duty to convey to the King the loyal assurances of this city of Vancouver, which, but yesterday in its infancy, bids fair to become at a distant date one of the chief maritime marts of the world.

Representatives of the Vancouver consular corps met the party at the drill hall, and were presented, Colonel Dudley, of the United States; Hon. K. Morikawa, of Japan; and Hon. Johann Wulffschel, of Germany.

Luncheon was partaken of at the Hotel Vancouver, and at 3.30 the trip started round Stanley Park with a stop at the mills of the Pacific Lumber Co. The process of manufacture into lumber was inspected by the Prince at the mills.

Upon arrival at the big tree in the park the head carriage containing Prince Arthur, J. C. Pope, captain Wynham, equester to the Prince, and Acting Mayor Bethune, was backed in to the hollow and a photograph obtained.

At 5.30 the Prince returned to the drill hall and inspected the Sixth Regiment and the Veterans. The men were drawn up in square formation, and received the Prince with the royal salute as he entered the hall. He carefully inspected the various companies, and spent some time in conversation with the Veterans, many of whom had seen service in the most noted campaigns of the last half century. Among the number on parade were some of the East Indians who bore medals of service in the armies of the Empire. The Prince congratulated Col. Whyte, who was in command, upon the excellent appearance of the men, and the soldierly character of their equipment. The corps was 300 strong, 61 of whom were from New Westminster.

Among the Veterans who paraded was J. E. Grant, who saw service in the Crimean war. His medals attracted the attention of Gen. Kelly-Kenny, who had a short conversation with him concerning the events of the campaign. The Prince remarked that Mr. Grant was the youngest man he had seen wearing the Crimean medal.

An informal reception was held in the officers' mess, before the party left. The Prince remarked that the presentation of the bouquets of flowers, and at the drill of four bouquets from as many little girls were

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handed him. One of them for instance signed herself "A Little Canadian," and asked for his autograph, which was graciously given. Another said she was "A Little English Girl." He was most pleased to receive these small tokens, and expressed his appreciation.

Saturday evening was privately spent on board the train, but a grand display of fireworks took place from the scows in the inlet, which was arranged by the local Japanese.

The train with the Prince and party on board left Vancouver Sunday morning for the East.

Robert Mee, the engineer who has charge of the engine conveying the Prince over the C. P. R. lines, served in a similar capacity on the occasion of the trip of the Duke of Connaught, the father of the prince, to the Pacific Coast 16 years ago.

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OFFICIAL NOTICES

Which Appear in This Week's Issue of the Provincial Gazette.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments: William H. Rawlinson, of Langley; Bruce A. Lawson, of Revelstoke, and Nicola district, to be justices of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

Alfred Hilton Lomas, of Duncan, V. I., to be government agent of registrar under the "Marriage Act"; district registrar under the "Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act"; registrar of voters, and a magistrate under the "Small Debts Act".

The following have been appointed under the Election Act for the taking of affidavits: For Columbia Electoral District—J. Frederick Stalker, F. P. Armstrong, Edward Plowright and L. H. Estell, of Golden; W. J. Barry and Alex. Macaulay, of Spilliamache; J. D. Carlin, of Field; James S. Johnston, Andrew Green and John McLeod, of Wilmet Hill; Thomas Alton, of Thunders Bay; For Kaslo Electoral District—O. W. Abrahamson, P. M. Shepherd, F. Mumery, J. C. Murray and J. Fitzsimmons, of Trout Lake City; E. Mobbs, of Gerrick; Stalker, of Kaslo.

The following companies have been incorporated: Canada Gold Hydraulic & Dredging Co., capitalized at \$250,000; Canadian Mine & Smelter Supply Company, with a capitalization of \$150,000; Franklin Township Gas Company, with a capitalization of \$20,000; Kettle Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands Company, with a capital stock of \$100,000.

Licenses were issued to the following companies: Anglo-American Fire Insurance Company, of Toronto, with W. S. Holland, Vancouver, as attorney for British Columbia; Heintzman & Co., Ltd., of Toronto, with W. F. Evans, of Victoria, as attorney for the province.

The incorporation of North Vancouver has been authorized. The first election is fixed as follows: Nomination day, April 14th, election (if any) April 21st.

SOAP DISPLAYS.

Standard Company, of Calgary, Has Interesting Competition On in the City.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The Standard Soap Company of Calgary, has taken a very effective way of advertising their manufacture. By offering prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 to the grocers of the city for descriptive windows, most of the retail dealers have been induced to make very attractive displays.

This company began the making of soaps in the city of Calgary about four months ago and are pushing their business with energy in West. The works were located just next to the abattoir near that city, and from there an absolutely pure supply of the raw materials in the way of tallow is derived. Its success is due to the fact that the soap is taken of this fact to show the proximity of the base of supply.

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GREAT ACTIVITY PROMISED CARIBOO

WORK ON BIG CANAL WILL BEGIN SHORTLY

J. B. Hobson Has Returned After Interesting the Guggenheims in Hydraulic Mines.

J. B. Hobson, accompanied by his bright secretary, F. R. Luce, has arrived in the city from the East, where he has been engaged in connection with the interesting of capital in the immense undertaking which he has planned for bringing a water supply to the property of the Cariboo Hydraulic Company. His efforts have been entirely successful and he is now in a position to push the work to completion. Mr. Hobson will remain in charge of the work at the property, this, it is understood, being one of the conditions of the capital being furnished. He is necessary to busy now getting ready to open the operations with the beginning of spring. About a week will probably be spent in the city in business necessary to the undertaking and then Mr. Hobson will leave for Cariboo to take active steps in connection with the work.

Some idea of the greatness of this undertaking is to be derived from the fact that Mr. Hobson will employ during the whole summer about 600 men. More than this number will be given work if they can be found.

This engineering scheme, which has before been referred to in the Times, is one of which Mr. Hobson has himself worked out all the details. It involves seventeen miles of canal and pipe lines to carry the water from Spanish Lake, where an unlimited supply is to be derived. The canal will be 21 feet wide by six feet in depth. There will be required to carry the line across the Quenneville a large quantity of lumber, which are intended for the abattoir. One year from this coming summer Mr. Hobson expects to have the water delivered by means of this system.

The whole work has been carefully estimated by Mr. Hobson to cost about \$500,000 for the delivery of 5,000 miners' inches.

The money introduced into the enterprise as referred to at other times has been the following: David Guggenheim, president; Isaac Guggenheim, vice-president; W. W. Porter, secretary; H. P. Whitney, S. R. Guggenheim, Simon Guggenheim, managing directors; John Hays Hammond, general manager and consulting engineer; and A. Chester Guggenheim, district manager and consulting engineer.

Mr. Hobson and Mr. Hammond were old friends in California, both being recognized as at the head of the profession of mining engineers. It is therefore reasonable to suppose that the consulting engineer of the Guggenheims when he entered into negotiations with Mr. Hobson felt confidence in the proposals which the latter had to make. It was fortunate for the interests of the province that this confidence prevailed for the introduction of the Guggenheims into the Cariboo probably means a very wide extension of the corporation's operations in the north before long. It will also give an assurance to the industry in those sections which will result in the introduction of other money into the province.

These latter effects are already being felt and through the efforts of Mr. Hobson there has been another Cariboo hydraulic property brought to the attention of eastern capital. The Twenty-Mile Creek has been placed in Philadelphia. This property will be thoroughly exploited for gold and platinum. H. W. Dubois, M. E., an expert in the line of platinum, will be in charge of this latter mine.

W. W. Anderson, who has had a splendid record in hydraulic work in California, will have the oversight in the practical work on the claim.

This is but one of the many signs of activity in the Cariboo arising out of the placing of the Cariboo hydraulic in such a favorable light as it has been put by the efforts of Mr. Hobson. The latter expects that there will be a result of the quickening of the interest in that part of the province be at least fifty miles of canal put in.

There has been a very light precipitation in the Cariboo this winter, so that Mr. Hobson does not intend this summer to attempt any work on the taking out of gold. He will give all his attention to the putting in of the canal and the water supply. This will occupy all the summer and continue into the following summer.

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A special dispatch to the Times from Ottawa says: "The following is Gasetted: Fifth, British Columbia Regiment: Provisional Lieut. T. Patton and A. A. Colquhoun are permitted to resign."