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SEN HOOPER—At Rossland, on uary 4th, by Rev. R. F. Stillman, H. Sorensen and Miss Minnie per.
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SON-WILSON—At Vancouver, on 11th, by Rev. R. J. Wilson, Fred- A. Collinson and Miss Elizabeth on.
ICH-ALLEN—At Vancouver, on 11th, by Rev. C. H. M. Sutherland, ur Goodrich and Miss Lizzie Allen.
ON-M'ALMON—At Nelson, on Feb. by Rev. E. H. H. Holman, James ameron and Miss Sarah E. Mc- n.
KILLICOM—At New Westminster, eb. 7th, by Rev. Father O'Neill, L. ond and Mrs. Margaret Skillicom.

DIED.

n Feb. 15th, at his residence, 7 s road, Captain Francis (Frank) Wise, a native of Boston, Mass., 63 years and 8 months.
S—At Vancouver, on Feb. 12th, S. H. Holmes, aged 65 years.
R—At Kamloops, on Feb. 12th, aret Spencer, aged 85 years.
REY—At Fairfield Ranch, near oops, on Feb. 11th, James shrey, aged 75 years.
—At Towan Cross, Cornwall, nd, on the 12th January, 1904, is Argall, late of Victoria, B. C., 77 years.
N—At Trail, on January 31st, R. T. McKeown, aged 30 years.
VE—At South Vancouver, on Feb- 9th, Mrs. James Prettove, aged 63

VICTORY CROWNED SOLDIERS' WORK

DEFEATED COLUMBIAS AFTER A FINE GAME

The Winning Aggregation Won on Its Merits—Victoria Wests Beat Bays in Basketball Match.

A good crowd witnessed the second Association football game of the Provincial League series, which was played between the Columbia and Garrison teams on Saturday afternoon at the Work Point grounds. After one of the fastest and cleanest exhibitions seen this season the soldiers won out by a score of 3 goals to nil. Judging the opposing elevens on the merits of their play in this struggle, there is no doubt that the better aggregation won. It is pointed out, however, that some allowance should be made for the Columbias as they were weakened by the loss of several of their best men. The forwards were made less effective through the absence of Lawson, their crack outside right, who was playing full back. The Garrison eleven put up a strong all-round game.

Play commenced at about 3.15 o'clock, and for some minutes the contest was even. Before long, however, the Garrison forwards got away and made the first of a series of assaults on the Columbia stronghold. The excellent defence of the opposing full backs and goal keeper puzzled the soldiers, and in spite of their efforts the ball was returned repeatedly.

Occasionally the civilian forwards broke away and dashed down the field in their old form. The accurate combination and exceptionally fast sprinting elicited hearty applause, but these attacks usually resulted in a somewhat disheartening failure. Mitchell and Williams appeared to be always ready to meet them just at the right place and at the right time.

Towards the finish of the first half of the contest, after Whyte had stopped a great many hot shots from the Garrison forwards, a comparatively slow, curving shot was sent in from the left wing, and went between the goal posts. This was the first score for the soldiers, and, needless to say, it was greeted with enthusiastic cheers.

From the kick-off both teams played a faster game, and for a time there was considerable excitement. The Columbias rushed the ball towards the Garrison goal several times, and seemed to be getting decidedly the better of the play. A number of shots were made at the soldiers' goal, but all were cleared. The ball, however, was again taken towards the Garrison stronghold, and after some pretty combination work was shot through the goal by Wilson. As it was clearly an off side play the goal wasn't allowed.

During the second half the soldiers had decidedly the best of the game. They held the Columbias down to their own end of the field almost entirely, and kept the ball flying in the neighborhood of the local eleven's goal. It was "nip and tuck" many times, but Whyte, in goal, put up a grand game and saved splendidly again and again. In spite of the excellent defence, however, the soldiers added two more to their score before the whistle blew at the finish of the match.

Taken all round, the Garrison eleven seemed to display better form in this match than on the occasion they played a tie with Victoria. There were evidences of practice in the work of the forward division. Harrison, at centre, was faster than usual, and the other forwards seemed to have new life. Every opportunity was taken advantage of, the soldiers being always on the aggressive. It was this persistent energy, no doubt, that prevented the Columbias from scoring from any of their rushes.

The Columbias were not in trim. Besides the loss of some good men, already referred to, the boys did not seem to play together as well as usual. If it is the desire of this eleven to capture the provincial championship they must pay more attention to their play than is apparently the case at present.

The present standing of the Provincial League follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.
Garrison	2	1	0	1	3
Victoria	1	0	0	1	1
Columbias	1	0	1	0	0

EGERIA VICTORIOUS.

At the Canteen grounds on Saturday a match was played between the Victoria West and H. M. S. Egeria elevens. The game was won by the sailors by a scofe of 4 goals to nil. The V. W. A. A. boys put up a plucky game throughout.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

FLORA TEAM WON.

A fifteen selected from the crew of H. M. S. Flora defeated a Victoria mixed senior and intermediate team at the Caledonia grounds on Saturday. The score was 10 points (two goals) to 6 points (two tries).

Shortly after the match commenced A. Newcombe scored for Victoria. The touch was not converted, however, the angle being difficult.

From the kick off the sailors attempted to force matters, but the defence was too strong to be easily penetrated. The local boys then took a hand at aggressive work and Patton crossed the line. The kick was again a failure. This was followed by some hard work on the part of the Flora players, who finally succeeded in scoring. The touch was converted, and at the finish of the first half the score stood 6-5 in favor of the local fifteen.

When the game recommenced the sailor forwards played an aggressive game and another touch was secured and again converted. This put the Floras four points in the lead, and in spite of strenuous efforts Victoria was unable to even matters.

BASKETBALL.

V. W. A. A. CHAMPIONS.

On Saturday evening at the drill hall one of the city league series of matches was played between the James Bay and Victoria West teams. The result was a win for the latter five by a margin of 8 points, the score being 16 to 8. As was expected, the pace was faster and play more exciting than in any match seen here this year. Both teams entered the hall with the determination to win, and a large crowd of supporters of the rival aggregations gathered to cheer their teams to victory.

When the game started the pace set was fast and checking close. It wasn't long before fouls were called, the majority of which were in favor of the James Bay team. Belyea, however, was not able to put the ball in the basket, and the subsequent attempts of Robt. Peden and Frank Smith were also failures.

During the first half there was little to choose between the rival teams. Every player worked hard and each man was watched by his check so closely that any particularly brilliant combination was impossible. The smallest chance of scoring was taken advantage of, and many shots were thrown almost the whole length of the hall. At the finish of the first half the score stood 6 to 5 in favor of Victoria West.

Shortly after the game again started it was noticed that the pace had subsided to a certain extent. Both aggregations were taking it easier than before and predictions were then made that the team with the best staying powers would win out. This proved correct. While the Bays seemed to become more and more played out the Victoria West team kept up the pace, and as a result was able to increase their score by 10 points while the Bays were only able to make 3. This game is a striking illustration of the value of training.

Victoria West put up an excellent exhibition. Crocker and Monteith, as guards, were always vigilant, and it was seldom that their checks managed to make a clean shot. Baker was untiring as usual at centre, and, as was anticipated, gave Smith, his check, some hard playing. The two Fairalls, on the forward division, worked together splendidly and did not fail to take advantage of every opportunity to score.

As has been stated previously, the James Bays are an excellently balanced team. Most of the players are comparatively young, however, and when put against a strong experienced aggregation like the Victoria West boys they appear to become slightly "rattled." This was plainly shown by their failure to convert free shots and their lack of foresight in playing themselves out in the first part of the match. Finlaison and Pettingell put up a strong game at guard, but the remainder of the team was distinctly off color.

As a result of this contest the Victoria West five have won the city championship. Their record, which may be seen in the appended table, is exceptionally creditable. Out of five games they have won the possible ten points. The most the James Bay team can now do is to secure second place in the league by winning the remaining matches of the league.

The standing of the league follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
V. W. A. A.	5	5	0	10
J. B. A. A.	5	3	2	6
F. Y. M. A.	3	0	3	0
Y. M. C. A.	3	0	3	0

CRICKET.

THE THIRD TEST MATCH.

Two to one; that is the test match position. England won at Sydney and Melbourne, and Australia at Adelaide.

Warner, the English captain, interviewed after the match, said: "The Australians thoroughly deserved their victory. The wicket throughout was the best I had ever seen. The overpowering personality of Trumper, Duff, Noble, Hill and Gregory, who played as brilliantly as ever, won the match for Australia. England's bowling and fielding in both innings were excellent. The total made by Australia was not more than was to be expected on a good Australian wicket, but England's batting was bad."

Noble declared: "It was the pleasantest test game that I have ever played in. England had to face a colossal score in the second innings. Gregory's batting was superb. The English bowling was never bad throughout the match."

This is the first defeat Warner's team has sustained during the tour. The score follows:

Australia—First Inning.

R. A. Duff, b Hirst	79
V. Trumper, b Hirst	113
C. Hill, c Lilley, b Arnold	38
M. Noble, st Lilley, b Arnold	59
S. E. Gregory, c Tyldesley, b Arnold	8
A. J. Hopkins, b Bosanquet	0
W. W. Armstrong, lbw, b Rhodes	10
H. Trumble, b Bosanquet	4
C. McLeod, run out	8
J. J. Kelly, lbw, b Bosanquet	1
W. P. Howell, not out	3
Extras	15
Total	388

Australia—Second Inning.

R. A. Duff, c Braund, b Hirst	14
V. Trumper, lbw, b Rhodes	59
C. Hill, b Fielder	16
M. Noble, c Bosanquet, b Braund	65
S. E. Gregory, c Fielder, b Braund	112
A. J. Hopkins, run out	7
W. W. Armstrong, c Hirst, b Bosanquet	30
H. Trumble, c and b Bosanquet	8
C. McLeod, b Bosanquet	2
J. J. Kelly, st Lilley, b Bosanquet	13
W. P. Howell, not out	1
Extras	14
Total	351

England—First Inning.

Hayward, b Howell	20
P. F. Warner, c McLeod, b Trumble	48
Tyldesley, c Kelly, b Hopkins	0
R. E. Foster, c Howell, b Noble	21
Braund, c Duff, b Hopkins	13
Hirst, c Trumper, b Trumble	58
B. J. T. Bosanquet, c Duff, b Hopkins	10
Rhodes, c Armstrong, b McLeod	9
Arnold, not out	23
Lilley, run out	28
Fielder, b Trumble	6
Extras	9
Total	245

England—Second Inning.

Hayward, lbw, b Hopkins	47
P. F. Warner, c and b Trumble	79
Tyldesley, c Noble, b Hopkins	10
R. E. Foster, b McLeod	16
Braund, b Howell	25
Hirst, b Trumble	44
B. J. T. Bosanquet, c Trumper, b Hopkins	10
Rhodes, run out	8
Arnold, b Hopkins	1
Lilley, c and b Howell	0
Fielder, not out	14
Extras	4
Total	278

HOCKEY.

SATURDAY'S GAME.

On Saturday afternoon a game was played between the Victoria senior hockey team, which is to play Vancouver next Saturday, and an intermediate aggregation consisting of members of the intermediate club and a few Victoria College players. This was not a distinctively college team, as stated in the Colonist, there being but five players from that institution. The score was 7 to 2 in favor of the seniors, and not 9-2 as stated in the morning paper.

YACHTING.

AMERICA CUP CONTEST.

New York, Feb. 11.—A letter from Sir Thomas Lipton has been received by the New York Yacht Club with reference to a fourth challenge for the America Cup. The fact was brought out at the annual meeting of the club tonight, although the presiding officer declined to say whether the letter was a formal challenge or the preliminary to a challenge. It was the general opinion that Sir Thomas had signified his desire to issue a challenge, but was anxious that a yacht of another type should wage the battle.

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THE HUNT.

THE RUN ON SATURDAY.

The Victoria Hunt Club started from Douglas street on Saturday afternoon and enjoyed what was probably their fastest run this season. The hounds pressed the hares very closely, only seventy-five yards separating them when the latter reached cover. The course was through Messrs. Tolmie's, King's and Glendenning's lands. There were about fifteen riders, five of whom were ladies. During the afternoon there were a couple of spills.

THE RING.

HERRERA DEFEATED.

Anaconda, Feb. 13.—Aurelio Herrera, the Mexican, was knocked out in the third round in a contest last night with Louie Long. The fight was to have gone 20 rounds.

MEET IN MARCH.

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—Jas. Britt and "Young Corbett" have signed articles to fight on March 31st before the Hayes and Valley Club, under the same conditions as their previous arrangement to fight provided for.

MINING ASSOCIATION.

Arrangements For the Annual Convention Are Proceeding Apace.

When the second annual convention of the Provincial Mining Association opens here on February 22nd, it is expected there will be at least two hundred delegates in attendance. The local branch is determined that they shall be entertained in a manner becoming their importance. During the past two weeks a committee of the association has been canvassing the city for subscriptions for the purpose of contributing towards the expenses of the convention and encouraging success is reported. The honorary-treasurer, Joshua Kingham, has received the following subscriptions:

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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

It appears that the general sympathy in the Russo-Japanese war is in favor of Japan. This is a lack of proper anticipation in the interests of the white man—it is an exhibition of the everlasting admiration of man for the small dog, which snarls bravely at the big dog. Leaving out of the question altogether the subject of right or wrong on the part of either, I persist that the white man must predominate. There are two great civilized peoples in the world to-day, viz.: the white and the yellow. It is apparent that China and Japan are as one if it ever came to a tug-of-war for supremacy of race between the Mongolian and the European; that is they are ready to march hand-in-hand against any oppressor, or against the ambition of any other portion of the civilized world. Had China and Japan been left alone they might have lain asleep and happy forever; but they have been awakened and are face to face with the reality of their own mightiness. The yellow peril is as much a reality to-day as it ever was; in fact it is more so, and as the years go by it will become more predominant. Imagine five hundred million Mongolians on the warpath against the rest of the civilized world? In what direction would the revolution sweep? Undoubtedly towards Europe. Russia would be the first to feel the sting; she would be like a Chinese wall standing between Europe and the Celestial onrush; she would be a bulwark that would stand only for a time, which would be at last overcome by overwhelming odds. For this reason I think the rest of Europe has a good deal to hope for from Russia in the future. The time will come when China will be too small for the Chinaman—he will have to spread out, and as fast as they emigrate in such a manner will they increase at home, and those who leave their native home can never return, for there will be no room for them. The influx of the Aryans into Europe from Central Asia in pre-historic times may be repeated in the case of the Mongolians. His invasion into the various countries will be like a cancer eating towards the hearts of the different peoples. The white man twisted the rope that will hang himself when he moderized, civilized and Christianized the Mongolian. If we look far enough ahead we can see the danger. The west coast of the United States and Canada realize the evident result and levy a prohibitory tax to prevent the influx as much as possible; but the sentiment in some parts of America and Canada is becoming so pro-Mongolian that this tax may yet be abolished and the Chinaman be admitted free. They would then swarm in by the million until they equalled or even predominated the white population, in this case they would not be content without a franchise. For all these reasons I say "Vive le white man," let the white man win. He has made the world what it is. The world is his; let him not be conquered by an inferior race. If the great universal war that is prophesied ever takes place, it will not be between the various white peoples, but between the Mongolian on the one other.

DAVID DALZIEL.

CRAFT BUILDING TO RUN ON ARM

THE KEELS FOR TWO HAVE BEEN LAID DOWN

Will Be Adapted for Passenger Business—Victoria Will Be Ready April First.

Encouraged by the success of little steamers on the route last year, a couple of enterprising Victorians have set to work to build two smart passenger boats for the Gorge service during this coming season. They will be larger than anything yet seen on the run, and will be specially adapted for the tourist trade. The keel for one steamer has been laid in a shed facing James Bay for J. Goodwin. It is 65 feet long and will have a beam of about 12 feet. It will be supplied with powerful machinery, and will be fitted in a cosy and elegant manner.

The second keel has been laid in another shed near Spratt's wharf. This vessel is being built by Capt. J. C. Stratford for Capt. Mike Hare, a navigator who has had a large experience in these waters. The captain, when seen this morning, said that his new vessel would be the finest that has been seen on the Gorge run. "I will make her fast enough and luxurious," he said, "and I think this will command the tourist travel. That is the kind of boat people like to travel on these days, and it is the kind I purpose supplying. She will be fitted up with powerful machinery, and will be capable of running ten knots an hour. She will be for light towing work as well, until the tourist business begins, but will be fitted aft with a glass house work, and altogether will be something out of the ordinary. The dimensions of the craft will be as follows: Keel, 57 feet; beam, 9 feet, and depth of hold, 4½ feet.

Capt. Hare formerly had charge of the tug Badger, and has since been employed on many vessels. For years he ran a steamer up the Arm during the Queen's birthday celebration.

A third small craft, building in the upper harbor, is a launch being put together in Sayward's yard for Walter S. Chambers. It will be supplied with a gasoline engine.

BEGINS SERVICE APRIL FIRST.

The three-funnelled clipper steamship Princess Victoria, which for the past three or four months has been lying over the Bay with gangs of upholsterers, carpenters and painters working on her, will be ready for service about April 1st.

This was the statement of Captain Troup on Friday. Asked if she would be placed on the double run from Victoria to Seattle and from Victoria to Vancouver, the captain stated that it was probable she might, although nothing definite had been decided on. There was no doubt, however, about her capability for doing so. He expected to place the steamer on the Victoria and Vancouver run about the date mentioned. The carpentry work aboard the ship has been almost finished. There have been no interior alterations, but the improvements will place her appearance of the ship's appointments in striking contrast with their previous appearance. The observation rooms in the top part, to which reference has heretofore been made, are to be furnished in a most luxurious manner. The one forward is to be for ladies, and no expense will be spared to make it a model in all respects. The one aft is to carry out an idea novel on steamships of the Pacific Coast. It is calculated to fill the same purpose aboard the ship as the gentlemen's club does on land. It will be finished in mahogany by Weller Bros., and will also be beautifully furnished and carpeted.

Plans for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's steamship service between Victoria and Skagway have been prepared by Capt. Troup, and on March 1st the steamship Princess May will take the Lynn canal route. The Princess May will relieve the steamer Amur, which is now in commission on the Skagway run. The Amur is to lie off for two months to undergo a very thorough overhauling. From March 1st to May 1st the Princess May will operate alone on the run, furnishing a ten-day service between Vancouver an Skagway. On May 1st she will be joined by the steamer Amur, and from that time until the end of the season of 1904, the two vessels will alternate in furnishing a five-day service to and from the northern port. In order to carry out this schedule the call at Port Simpson will be discontinued.

During the winter the steamship Princess May has been laid up at Victoria undergoing extensive refurnishing and overhauling. Her accommodation during the coming season will, as usual, be first-class in every respect, and she will doubtless continue to command the very cream of the northern passenger traffic.

As yet the C. P. R. has not definitely settled on its summer sailing schedule for the northern British Columbia route.

WILL CONTINUE SERVICE.

As far as the local office is advised the Seattle line of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will continue operations. Discussing the persistent report of a discontinuance, W. E. Farr, chief clerk to F. M. Studley, Seattle manager of the line, said:

"We have had no notice whatever of even a possible discontinuance of our line. The Iyo sailed on the 10th from Yokohama, and the Aki is scheduled to follow her February 23rd.

"The reports relative to the discontinuance of the line grew out of the prospect of war with Russia and the fact that the Riojun Maru did not make her last voyage. I do not know what was done with the Riojun. We have had no advices relative to her.

"I see no prospect of a discontinuance of the line, which continues to do a good business, despite the reports that it is soon to retire from the field. The Iyo has between 3,500 and 4,000 tons of freight, more than an average cargo for her, and about 175 passengers.

"Those vessels are not in the war zone, and there is not the slightest danger, it seems to me, of the Russians getting within reach of them. They are kept pretty busy just now over at Port Arthur and Chemulpo."

WILL GO NORTH.

As soon as the Quadra is ready to enter commission the Dominion cruiser Kestral will again go north to look after the fishing interests of the province. This is the work she followed up last year, and Capt. Newcombe expects to spend most of the coming season in the north. He says that writers to the press have greatly magnified the encroachments of foreign vessels on the northern halibut grounds. In the first place the New England Fishing Company's steamers operate in waters far beyond the three-mile territorial limit of the coast, as does also the vessel sent north from Tacoma, while the fleet of some twelve vessels, which makes Ketchikan its headquarters, and which has its entire catch shipped south to Seattle in ice, does not come anywhere near Canadian waters. In fact, Capt. Newcombe says, that the best fishing banks are those out a considerable distance from shore.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

A London dispatch says: "Engineer Commander Walter J. Featherstone, recently in charge of H. M. S. Victorious, first-class battleship at Portsmouth, has been appointed to H. M. S. Grafton, Commander Featherstone has served in the enginering department since July, 1879, attaining his present rank in May, 1901. He was assistant engineer on H. M. S. Achilles during the Egyptian war, 1882, for which he holds the medal with clasp and the Khedive's bronze star.

"Another local appointment is that of Capt. H. S. Wright, Army Service Corps, transferred to Esquimalt, B. C., from Halifax, N. S. Capt. Wright was formerly a subaltern of the Royal Munster Fusiliers, which he joined in 1895. He got his present grade in the A. S. C. three years ago."

COTTAGE CITY INJURED.

The steamer Cottage City met with an accident that will necessitate her laying up for repairs while on her last trip down from Alaska. She scraped her keel on a sunken rock, and while the damage is not serious, repairs will have to be made. The Ramona, of the Vancouver-Puget Sound line, will take her place and will arrive here this afternoon en route north. She will receive at Victoria a freight for White Horse and the following among other passengers: E. A. Van Hosslocker and wife, A. McLean and W. L. Lee.

WALLA WALLA LIFE BUOY.

A life buoy from the steamer Walla Walla, supposed to be one that was picked up on the coast of Queen Charlotte islands some time ago, was found in the harbor Thursday afternoon, and is now on exhibition at the tobacco store of Charles Cullen, corner of Trounce alley and Government street. The Walla Walla was lost in January, 1902, and it is not thought possible that a buoy would drift so far north and eventually find its way into Victoria harbor.

C. P. R. WHARVES.

H. J. Cambie, the C. P. R. Company's chief engineer, says that he is now revising the plans for wharves in Victoria and Vancouver, and, as soon as these have been completed, active work will be started. The plans for the local wharves have gone back and forth between the C.P.R. officials for two or three months, the delay in commencing construction work being due, it is understood, in a great measure to the negotiations with the government in respect to the harbor frontage.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Queen completed a very stormy trip from San Francisco last night. The next steamer of the same line due in port, the Umatilla, will sail for the Golden Gate this evening at 7.30 o'clock. Among local passengers ticketed to leave on her are J. G. Blizalder, H. R. Foster, Miss Johnson, Mrs. Pethe-rick and J. Douglas and wife.

Steamer Boscowitz, after a three months' idleness, is scheduled to sail for northern British Columbia ports on the 18th inst.

MARINE NOTES.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer Spokane has been repaired at the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, and is to be ready for business within a few days. Some weeks ago she struck on Humboldt bar, puncturing her false bottom, and in dry dock several plates had to be renewed.

Steamer Cheltain, of Port Simpson, is at Spratt's wharf undergoing repairs.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Coroners Appointed and Many Companies Have Been Incorporated.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments: James Thompson McKenzie, of Rossland, M. D., to be a deputy coroner, to act during the absence of Dr. W. L. Coulthard from the said city.

Charles Morgan Kingston, of Grand Forks, M. D., to be a coroner in and for the province of British Columbia, vice Dr. J. Westwood.

Tenders are invited for timber limits in the Clayoquot district, Vancouver Island.

A number of companies have been incorporated. Among these are the following:

The Camp Creek Hydraulic Placer Mines, Ltd., with a capital of $125,000, to purchase a group of mines near Camp Creek, in Revelstoke division; the Cascade Power Company, Ltd., with a capital of $50,000, divided into 50,000 shares, for the purpose of exercising the rights, powers, privileges and priorities created, granted and conferred in and by Part IV. of the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897"; the Valley Dairy Company, Ltd., with a capital of $10,000; the Fort Steele Brewing & Malting Company, Ltd. with a capital of $150,000; the Great West Optical Manufacturing Company, Ltd., with a capital of $100,000; the Cascade Steam Laundry Company, Ltd., with a capital of $10,000; the Crawford Double Rope Aerial Tramway System, Ltd., with a capital of $10,000; the Kamloops Coal Delevolpment Company, Ltd., with a capital of $5,000.

The Handy Gold Mines Development Company has been registered as an extra-provincial company under the "Companies Act, 1897." The head office of the company is situated in the city of Spokane. The amount of the capital of the company is $1,500,000, divided into 1,500,000 shares of $1 each. The head office of the company in this province is situate in the city of Kaslo, and Alfred John Curle, agent, whose address is Kaslo, B. C., is the attorney for the company.

Notice is given that three months after date application will be made to change the name of J. W. Mellor & Co. to the Melrose Co., Ltd.

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SUICIDE AT VANCOUVER.

Man Who Registered From Portland Shot Himself in Hotel—The Cadet Corps.

Early yesterday morning a man shot himself in the Strand Hotel, Vancouver. When a police officer entered the room he found the unfortunate man lying dead on the bed. He had evidently been sitting on the bedside when he fired the fatal shots. His arms were stretched out on either side, and from the left hand a new revolver had fallen. He appeared to be about 28 years old, clean-shaven, regular featured, tall and well built. He had registered on Wednesday, the 10th inst., as "W. H. Sewell, of Portland, Ore.," but his linen was all initialed "W. W. C." Diligent search failed to reveal any further clue to his identity. Not a scrap of writing could be found on his person or among his effects. On a waistcoat in his valise was an I. O. O. F. Encampment badge, and his clothes were marked Chicago, Seattle, Minneapolis, according to the places where they were bought or made.

Theatre inspection by the board of works resulted in members of the city council seeing that the recommendations of Capt. McSpadden, building inspector, had been carried out, and that now all the places of public amusement in the city are well equipped with means whereby large audiences may safely escape in case of fire.

Rev. C. W. Houghton, the newly-appointed rector of St. Barnabas's church, New Westminster, arrived here on Saturday, being accompanied by his wife and son. They were met at the station by Archdeacon Pentreath. Mr. Houghton has been rector of Fernie for the last three years.

There is to be a general revision of the schedule of salaries paid to public school teachers in Vancouver, the school trustees having at their monthly meeting adopted a resolution to that effect.

An order has been received by the local military authorities from the headquarters of the Canadian militia at Ottawa authorizing the formation of a cadet corps in connection with the Vancouver College. The cadet corps, when organized, will be attached to the Sixth Regiment, D. C. O. R., of this city. It is probable that organization will take place at once. There are at present over 125 young men attending the college, and they are very enthusiastic over the prospects of entering military life. They will probably all enlist in the new corps, which at this rate would start off with a corps comprised of three companies. They will be drilled in the same manner as the local militia, and during their term in the college they will undergo a course of thorough military training.

THE RUSSIAN AS A SOLDIER.

While He Has Attractive Qualities He Is Clumsy and Very Slow.

The Russian soldier, as I saw him during the Boxer campaign, impressed me as being a fatalist of a very practical sort. If it is his time to lose his life he will lose it, and there is little use in trying to save it. He might as well go to one place as another, and it makes no difference whether he goes into a fight or keeps out of it. He travels the line of least resistance, and from this develops a blind, but often unintelligent obedience. That sort of man makes a dangerous fighting machine. With all these good qualities, however, there are others not so attractive. Big, strong, patient of toil and hardship, he is also clumsy, stupid and very slow—a serious fault in fighting men. There was a good exhibition of the Russian lack of speed the day the Pekin relief column marched from Maoto to Chang-chia-wan. For that morning it had been arranged that a Russian battery and battalion of infantry should form part of the advance guard with the Japanese, whom the regular formation of the column placed in the lead. The Japanese were doing their full share, but the Russians could not or would not keep the pace. After repeated attempts to get them to do so, Japan was obliged to ask Russia to withdraw its men and give room to the Japanese, so that the required speed could be made. The Russians halted and formed beside the road while the Japanese infantry went by them on the double, and the battery at a trot. From that time until the day's distance had been made, there was no more trouble about the failure of the advance guard to maintain contact with the enemy.—Everybody's Magazine.

REGIMENTAL ORDER.

Changes in the Fifth—Artillery School of Instruction.

The following regimental order has been issued by Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment:

Regimental Headquarters,
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 13th, 1904.

The following extract from G. O. 201, Dec. 22nd, 1903, is published for information:

"Fifth British Columbia Regiment—Provisional 2nd Lieut. E. R. Vigor retires, 7th Dec., 1903; to be provisional Lieut., M. B. Scarth, to complete establishment, 28th Nov., 1903."

Provisional Lieut. M. B. Scarth, having reported for duty, is posted to No. 6 Company.

The following men, having been attested, will be taken on the strength from the date hereafter mentioned, and will assume the regimental numbers opposite their respective names: No. 266, Gr. Chas. R. Bachus, Feb. 1st; No. 268, Gr. Proctor S. Snyder, Feb. 1st.

The following man, having been granted his discharge, is struck off the strength: No. 205, Gr. H. Lawrie, Feb. 10th.

The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Thursday, Feb. 18th, at 7.30 o'clock p.m. Staff and band will attend. Dress, review order.

Officers commanding companies will hand to the adjutant not later than the 24th inst. a list of those N. C. O.'s and men who are desirous of attending a regimental school of instruction in artillery under the R.G.A. Gallery practice for Friday, February 19th, is cancelled.

By order.
(Signed) D. B. M'CONNAN, Capt.,
Adjutant.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The United States state department has received a report by mail, under date of San Domingo, from United States Minister Powell, the second-class machinist of the American cruiser Yankee, on the morning of that date. The details furnished by the minister go to establish the fact that the killing was deliberate and unprovoked.

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GREAT HYDRAULIC SCHEME PLANNED

INVOLVING A LARGE OUTLAY IN CARIBOO

J. B. Hobson Gives Details of How His Company Will Get Permanent Water Supply.

John B. Hobson, manager of the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company, has returned to the city from a trip to California. As mentioned in the Times before he left, this trip was undertaken for the direct purpose of disposing of interests he had in that state in order that he might re-invest in this province. The faith which Mr. Hobson has in British Columbia is not due to the fact that the company in which he is interested has given the shareholders great returns. On the contrary, the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company has been a losing proposition. Since 1894 the total expenditure by the company on its property has been $1,916,327.73, as shown by the books. In return they have taken $1,122,798.36 in gold from it. There has therefore been a total loss of $762,305.16 on the operations.

But Mr. Hobson does not look to the immediate results. His long experience has taught him that in hydraulic mining it requires immense expenditures in order to gain the ultimate results. Having examined the field of his operations from a scientific standpoint he realizes what is in store for the company once the facilities exist for taking it out. The whole trouble in the past has been the water supply. For years this has been falling off so that the season was reduced last year to 53 days and 4 hours. This was 12 days 8 hours shorter than the run for 1902, and 50 days and 18 hours short of that for 1901, and 118 days 6 hours less then the season of 1900. With such a decrease in the season's run it is, therefore, easily understood why the directors decided on Mr. Hobson's recommendation to put in a new system of water supply.

In the fifty-three days' operation this year the mines yielded $44,943.70. The returns, therefore, for the length of time of operation was most gratifying.

The company has in view the installation of a system of permanent water supply, which will enable work to be carried on throughout the whole open season. Hitherto the water has been conserved in large reservoirs fed from mountains of not more than 4,000 feet in height. The light snowfall and the gradual thawing of the snow has led to a very insufficient quantity being obtained. Negotiations are on for the purchase of the mine and water rights of the Victoria Consolidated Hydraulic Mining Company on the opposite side of the Quesnelle river from those of the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Company. The intention is to take advantage of the immense possibilities possessed by the former company on the north side of the river, and convey a sufficient amount of water to the workings to keep up operations during a longer period than heretofore.

This will involve an immense expenditure, but Mr. Hogson, who is a civil engineer as well as a qualified mining engineer and expert, is convinced that it will give ample returns for the money expended. The cost will be about a quarter of a million, the money being expended right in the