TOKENS OF APPRECIATION.

Meda's for the Hospital and Quarantine Nurses Laid Before the Directors of the Jubilee.

Inmates of the Old Folks' Home Soon to Take Possession of Summer Quarters.

The long table in Messrs. Yates, Jay & Russell's office—where the meetings of the Jubilee hospital board are held—resembled a jeweler's show case last evening, being used to display the medals for the nurses, just received from the makers. Of these there were two sets, the one collection being for the nurses of the hospital proper, ordered by resolution of the directors; the second set being for the nurses of the smallpox quarantine of 1892, made by instruction of President Davies. Of the nurses' medals, or brooches, for they are all in the latter form, two are of gold and a third of silver. The six "smallpox medals" are silver—five brooches—and are designed to be worn as a pendant watch charm. Each of the little tokens of appreciation is in the form of a Maltese cross, very simple in design. The hospital medals bear the words "Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital," one word on each point, with the word "Victoria" in the centre, and on the reverse side have engraved the name of the nurse to whom presented, and the date. The quarantine badges bear the inscription, "Victoria Quarantine Station, 1892—Presented by the P. R. Jubilee Hospital," and the name.

Miss Hardie was the first of the hospital staff to receive her medal—a gold one. Its companion goes to Miss Debou, while the silver one is for Miss Crickmay. The quarantine nurses are the three Misses Hardie, Miss Debou, Miss Crickmay and Mr. Charles Hassler.

Last night's meeting of the Board was called to order at 8 o'clock sharp, there being present: Messrs. Charles Hayward (presiding), F. H. Worlock, W. M. Chudley, Alexander Wilson, E. Crow Baker, I. Braverman and G. H. Brown.

The first business taken up was in the form of a report from the resident medical superintendent, which enumerated a number of trivial alterations in the hospital premises, announced that the average daily cost of maintenance was now 48.91 cents per patient, and stated that Hon. J. S. Helmcken had consented to present the nurses' medals on Thursday, the 15th inst.

In this latter connection the secretary remarked that only one of the nurses to be honored—Miss Debou—was now at the hospital, the others having left. A formal presentation would, therefore, be a little out of place.

This was Dr. Helmcken's view of the case and, it being shared by the Board, it was decided to forward the medals to the proper parties by registered post.

In regard to the quarantine medals, the Board, not having given the order, decided to take no action until President Davies' return. Several of the directors held to the opinion that paying the nurses at the rate of $7, $6, and $5 per day for all the time they were within the quarantine gates was ample recognition of their services, valuable indeed as all would admit they were.

The doctor's report as read was received and filed, as was also the report of the matron. This latter document set forth that Miss Laura Purvis, of Vancouver, had made application for enrolment as a probationer, and that Miss Stuart, of Victoria, having given satisfaction, had been received in that capacity. Doctors Wade and Milne were thanked for valuable lectures on physiology and sanitary science, and Dr. Hasell for the promise of an address upon some other useful branch. During the month Mr. F. B. Hobbs had presented the hospital with an organ stool for use at the Sunday services, the gift of which was acknowledged with thanks.

Steward Jenkinson reported his supplies satisfactory and acknowledged the donation of flowers for the beautifying of the grounds from Messrs. Evans & Hobbs, H. D. Helmcken, H. M. Yates, G. A. McTavish, L. Goodacre and G. L. Higgins. This report also was received, a vote of thanks being passed for the floral gifts.

Mr. Brown brought to the attention of the Board the case of one Antonio Armanzia, who was, or had been, a pay patient at the hospital, and who claimed that while in the institution he had been improperly compelled to assist in the work. It was desirable that the matter should be looked into, and Mr. Brown accordingly moved its reference to the committee of the month. There was no opposition to the resolution.

Before the Board adjourned, Mr. Chudley brought to the attention of the meeting the fact that on June 30, six of the directors—Messrs. J. Davies, W. C. Ward, George Byrnes, A. C. Flumerfelt, E. A. McQuade and himself—would retire in rotation, though eligible for re-election. He also announces with regret that the hospital was soon to lose one source of revenue, the corporation having announced the intention of very shortly vacating the French Benevolent Society building now used as an Old Folks' Home. The inmates will, during July, be removed to the former residence of Mr. Trotter Johnson on the city's property at Ross Bay.

A VISITOR'S VIEWS.

The following are two excerpts from the letter of T. H. Preston, owner of the Brantford, Ont., Expositor, written while here with the Western Press Association:

THE GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

are old and antiquated, low and squatty, and of the Dutch type of architecture. They have long since survived their usefulness, and it is satisfactory to know that the erection of structures more worthy the province has been ordered. These are to cost (by first estimate) $600,000, and, as usual in such cases, it is not improbable the estimate will be considerably exceeded by the time all the payments have been made. The proposal has excited considerable hostility on the Mainland, and particularly on the part of the people of Vancouver, and yet it is so eminently reasonable, that an outsider is disposed to believe that the hostile agitation will soon spend itself. The present premier of the province is Hon. Mr. Davie, who was unremitting in his attentions to our party. He is a lawyer by profession and is declared by his friends to be by all odds the ablest man in the Province. The leader of the Opposition is Mr. Beaven, mayor of Victoria, who treated us most kindly, and to him and the corporation we were made indebted for a charming drive. Party politics, as we know them in the East, cut no figure in Provincial affairs here, and the struggle is entirely one between the ins and the outs.

In connection with the Government buildings, it should be mentioned that here is to be found the Provincial museum, which is a place of unusual interest, containing, as it does, specimens of the animals, plants, timber and minerals of the Province, together with a valuable collection of Indian curios.

THE WAR SHIPS.

On the afternoon of the second day our party was conveyed by Hon. D. W. Higgins, Speaker of the Legislature and an ex-journalist, by the electric tramway, of which he is president, to Esquimalt harbor. In the dry dock we found the American collier Romulus, concerning which considerable diplomatic correspondence is now going on, and afterwards visited the British war ships Garnet and Champion. The latter was boarded and a most hospitable reception extended by Captain Hughes-Hallett and the other officers. The vessel was thoroughly inspected and the crew put through the gun drill for our benefit. There were fourteen fifty-pounders on board as also seven machine guns, the latter being principally Nordenfelts. After the inspection a collation was served and speeches delivered, and the party returned to shore, as they had come, on the steam launches of the war vessels. They will not soon forget the royal welcome which is everywhere characteristic of the British officer and gentleman. The Garnet, by the way, has with her a torpedo-boat recently brought from Chili, and is under orders to sail for Behring Sea. She is an old boat, and the present is thought likely to be her last commission.

OFF FOR THE NORTHLAND.

The Excursion Steamer "Queen" Departs with Two Large Parties of Tourists—Notable Passengers.

The steamship Queen, on her first Alaska excursion of the year, reached Victoria from San Francisco via the Sound yesterday, and remained in port until midnight, when she proceeded on her voyage. During her idle spell in San Francisco, the Queen has had some changes made to her houses, and her lifeboats raised to a level with the top of the pilot house, thus leaving a fine and unobstructed promenade. Another new feature about the vessel, is a steam calliope of thirteen whistles over the officers quarters. This, when sounded in the icy regions of the North, will produce many peculiar echoes, and will, no doubt, furnish memorable incidents to the tourists of '93.

The Queen's officers are: Capt. James Carroll, commander; first officer, Charles Stevens; second officer, W. H. Whitney; third officer, B. Andfinsen. Purser H. K. Rogers, Steward J. Connell and Chief Engineer W. H. Allison—all well-known old officers of the steamer.

On this trip the steamer carries as passengers, two large Raymond and Whitcomb parties, who boarded the ship at Tacoma. The complete list of those composing the parties is:

J W and Mrs Love, New York; S W Thaxter, Bangor; Miss O J Love and Miss Marion, New York; Miss E P Gould, Cambridge, Mass.; Dr A and Mrs Vander Veer, Miss L Prusim, Albany, N Y; E H Smith, Tilton, N H; L S Hall, Miss M G Parker, Mrs W R Moffatt, Miss A G Wing, Miss M A Hendricks, George H and Mrs Merrill, Miss S B Morrill, and Miss E Brewer, Lowell, Mass; Mrs E E Bayliss and Miss S Huguenin, New York; Miss L W Caldwell, Dorchester, Mass.; Mrs F W Carruth, Miss H G Moseley, Miss M A Perry, Boston; Miss S W Smith, Andover, Mass.; Miss Dora Roberts, Andover, Mass.; Mrs S F Peach, Boston; Miss J C Hope, California; W D and Mrs Hollowell, Pennsylvania; Mrs O M Sook and Miss S M Spinner, New York; H R and M B Page, Medford, Mass.; Miss E G Harris, Woonsocket, R I; Mrs H L Osgood, East Somerville, Mass.; D J and Mrs Puffer, Medford, Mass.; Mrs John T Squire and Miss S G Marble, Boston; Mrs Thos H Peabody, Westerly, R I; Mrs Geo W Carroll, Norwich, Conn; Samuel Kensil and Mrs Samuel Kensil, Philadelphia; J C Kneeman and O M Cowper, Camden N Y; Henry Butte and Mrs Henry Butte, Baltimore, Md; Wm J Mott and Mrs Wm Mott, Gloucester Court House, Va; J W Mott, New York; Miss A E Jones, Cold Springs Harbor, N Y; A A Wilson and Mrs A A Wilson, New York; Mrs A Hawkins, Mrs G A Hawkins and Miss G Hawkins, Brooklyn; H G Hutchins New York; H M Gilmor, Lexington, Mass; H E Harrington and Mrs H E Harrington, Hartford, Conn; J R Marble and Mrs J R Marble, Worcester, Mass; Miss W J Sayers, Brooklyn; Mrs M E Paulson, Hartford, Conn; Mrs M Frost and Miss L Frost, Philadelphia, Pa; Miss A R Pratt, Boston; John H Sayers, Brooklyn; Vicomte d'Aubigny, Chateau d'Assy, France; Mrs H M Laughlin, Boston; Miss L Annesly, Albany; Bronson and Mrs Howard, New York; Miss R S Dexter, Miss S W Goddart, Boston; C H Burdick, Newport, R.I; Walter Agnew, Kennett Square, Pa.; W F Pratt, No Middleboro Mass.; S E Livin, Stewartstown, Pa.; J W and Mrs Tapley, Miss S B Tapley, Lynn, Mass.; Miss H F Coolidge, Brooklyn; Miss Edith Give, Mrs H M Stacey, Lynn; Dr J F and Mrs Everhart, M E Everhart, Scranton, P.; Rev J M and Mrs Buckley, Morristown, R.I.; Wallace L and Mrs De Wolf, Chicago; L S and Mrs Johnson, Lynn, Mass.

Among the most prominent names appearing on the above list are those of Miss Georgia Cayvan, the celebrated American actress, and Miss Stevens of New York; Senator J. B. Allen of Walla Walla, Wash., and Bronson Howard of New York, who is noted throughout America as a playwright, being the author of Saratoga, Old Love Letters and other comedies.

THE AUSTRALIAN STEAMER.

The Australian steamer Miowera is now hourly looked for, being fully due to-day. She left Melbourne on May 16, and was to make but one call, at Honolulu. Like the other C.P.R. steamers, she will be reported as she passes Carmanah Point, and her business here will be looked after by Mr. Allan Cameron; but, unlike the Empressas, she will dock at the outer wharf.

HOME FROM THE EAST.

Hon. J. H. Turner, minister of finance and agriculture, returned from the East yesterday evening by the Islander, considerably fatigued by his long journey, though glad to be home once more. The hon. gentleman has not yet fully recovered from his Chicago illness.

As the telegraph announced some time ago, Hon. Mr. Turner while in Ottawa took steps to secure information in regard to British Columbia's census, which is at present very much wanted in the province. Before he left the capital he had the satisfaction of seeing the statisticians at work, and the desired statements are expected to be available about the end of the present month.

British Columbia's representation at the World's Fair was, of course, a subject of the greatest interest to Mr. Turner during his stay in Chicago. The exhibit is, he says, highly creditable to the province, and one that will attract its full share of attention just so soon as it is quite in shape. Several consignments of interest arrived only the day before he left the white city, on Saturday week, and so there is still much to be done.

The minerals, fruit and agricultural products in the British Columbia section are such as must command attention, the grain display especially deserving praise, and quartz ore as well as fresh products also showing strong and well.

IT HAS BEEN PROVED.

It has been proved over and over again that Burdock Blood Bitters cures dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, headache, scrofula, and all diseases of the stomach, liver and bowels. Try it. Every bottle is guaranteed to benefit or cure when taken according to directions.

CHICAGO EXCITED.

Heavy Runs on the Chicago Savings Banks, Which are Promptly Met.

Well Informed People in no Way Alarmed Despite the Prevailing Excitement.

CHICAGO, Ills., June 6.—The failure of Herman Scaffner, which occurred last Friday, bore fruit yesterday in well defined runs, which were precipitated on most of the savings banks of Chicago. The first to feel the effect of the excitement was the Bank of Commerce, where a great many Jewish citizens of the poorer classes kept their accounts. They took alarm naturally as the result of the Scaffner failure, and bore down on the Bank of Commerce in full force at the opening hour. The tellers were doubled and paid the checks as fast as they were presented throughout the day. The excitement spread and soon involved the other savings institutions. The Illinois Trust company, which has a larger line of this class of deposits than the other banks in the city, amounting at times to over $12,000,000, put on an extra force of tellers and paid every one as rapidly as possible, and, at 3 o'clock, posted a notice upon the front door that the bank would remain open until 10 o'clock last night, and so long as the present excitement should continue. The Hibernian bank which, as its name implies, was the depository for a large number of Irish Americans of small means, was crowded all day, but found no difficulty in meeting the demand and at 3 o'clock the excitement had perceptibly decreased. The Dime Savings bank took advantage of its rule and paid a percentage only upon each deposit. The Globe Savings applied the thirty day rule. The Milwaukee Avenue Savings bank sustained a moderate run throughout the day, and they too kept open hours until 9 o'clock at night. Equally spirited checking was noticeable upon the Prairie State Savings and Union Trust Co., as well as upon the Avenue Savings bank, but in no case was any alarm felt by well informed people.

Between 1,200 and 1,500 people formed in line to-day at the Illinois Trust and Savings bank to withdraw their deposits. Although the bank had remained open till long after midnight last night paying out money on demand, the crowd at the bank this morning was several times larger than at any time yesterday or last night. At other savings banks also the run which began yesterday seemed to have increased in proportion to-day. At the Illinois Trust Savings bank last night the last depositor in the line got his money at 3 a.m., then the bank closed until 10 o'clock this morning. The assets of the bank are counted up as follows: Cash on hand, $3 900 000; sundry bonds, $2,040,000; demand loans, $7,496,000; time loans, $5 300,000; real estate loans, $3,205 000; capital stock, $2,000,000; surplus, $1,600,000; stockholders' liability, $2 000,000; total, $28,114,000. The stockholders are estimated worth $150,000,000. The bank has not called a loan in nine years. L. Z Leiter, who is one of the heaviest stockholders in the bank, said last night: "I have real estate enough to pay all these claims, and it is at the service of the bank. Every person who has a dollar here may have it on demand. I am able at once to make that assertion good, and two other men are willing to do so, too. Before going to Europe I personally examined the collateral for loans made. It could not be better. I will guarantee every loan the bank has made for a very trifling percentage."

THE MARKETS.

The condition of the local markets this week is much the same as last. New fruits and vegetables are beginning to make a good showing and yesterday Superintendent Johnston of the city market had the pleasure of weighing the first new hay of the season. It was brought in from Saanich. The price of potatoes is still very high but on the decline. In San Francisco last week new potatoes were selling at $1.80 but they have advanced again to $2 25. This change is caused by the great demand in British Columbia and the Sound cities. There is a good supply of dairy produce; fresh eggs are coming into the local market in large quantities and the demand seems to be quite satisfactory.

The ruling retail quotations are as follows:

FLOUR—Portland roller per bbl	$ 5.75
Salem	5.75
Ogilvie's (Hungarian)	6.00
Lake of the Woods (Hungarian)	6.00
Premier	6.00
Three Star	5.75
Victoria	5.75
Lion	5.75
Royal	6.00
Wheat, per ton	30.00@40.00
Oats, per ton	32.00@35.00
Barley, per ton	32.00@35.00
Middlings, per ton	35.00@40.00
Bran, per ton	27.00@ 30.00
Ground Feed, per ton	30.00@35.00
Corn, whole	45.00
" cracked	50.00
Cornmeal, per 100 lbs	3.00@3.25
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs	.50
Rolled Oats, per lb	.6
Potatoes, per bag	2.50@3.00
" new, California, per lb	.4@ 5
Cabbage, per lb	.3 @3
Cauliflowers, per doz	1.50
Asparagus	.12½
Green Peas, per lb	.8@10
Hay, baled, per ton	18@20.00
Straw, per bale	1.00
Onions, per lb	.04
" Silver, per lb	0.4
Eggs, Island, per dozen	.30
Butter, Island roll, (2 lbs)	.55 @ 65
" Creamery, per 3 lbs	1.00
Cheese, Canadian per lb., retail	.25
Hams, American "	.20
" Canadian "	.20
Bacon, American, per lb	.25
" Rolled "	.18
" Long clear "	.17
Shoulders, per lb	.14
Lard	.18@25
Golden Cottolene, per lb	.20
Meats—Beef "	10@12
Sides "	9@11
Mutton, per lb	12@20
Pork, fresh "	12@12
Chickens, per pair	1.75@2.00
Turkey per lb	.30
Geese per lb	.25
Fish—Salmon (Spring), per lb	10@12
" (Smoked), "	8@10
Halibut	10@12
Cod, per lb	8@7½
" (N'fld.), per lb	12½
Small fish	5@2
Smelts, per lb	10@12
Sturgeon	7@8
Herring (Labrador), per doz	.50
" (smoked)	.50
Fruits—Apples per lb	7@10
Oranges (Navel), per doz	50@75
" (Riverside) "	25@30
Lemons, California, per doz	35@40
Sicily, per doz	40@50
Bananas, per doz	40@50
Rhubarb, per lb	.5
Cherries, per lb	15@25
Strawberries, per lb	.20

THE ARBITRATION.

PARIS, June 7.—Ex-Attorney-General Sir Richard Webster concluded his address before the Behring Sea tribunal to-day in behalf of the British case. He expressed surprise at the statement made yesterday by Hon. E. J. Phelps, of the American counsel, to the effect that validity of seizures made or to be made in Behring Sea was not submitted to the tribunal under the treaty of arbitration. Christopher Robinson, of the Canadian bar, followed Sir Richard Webster in behalf of Great Britain. Mr. Robinson declared that it was impossible to place the American claims on any legal basis.

MINING DISASTER.

EAGLE PASS, TEXAS, June 5.—A fire broke out Sunday night in the Fuente coal mines, which are situated in Mexico, about four miles from Eagle Pass, and operated by the Mexican National Railway Company. There were sixty miners at work in the mine at the time, and twenty-six of the men were burned to death. The others were rescued. The Mexican International railway, which recently came into possession of the mines, is operating a narrow gauge railroad with a small engine which penetrates the main entry, hauling in empty, and bringing out loaded, cars. This main entry is lined on the side and at the top with creosoted lumber and three air shafts from which to supply the mines with ventilation. The entrance of the track is on the north side of a range of hills, through which it passes down an incline to the mouth of a tunnel on the banks of the Rio Escondido river. The workings are all to the east of the main entry, and some sixty men were employed in taking out coal.

At 4 o'clock in the evening, shortly after the locomotive left, the mine was discovered to be on fire, and smoke and flames were seen issuing out of the air shaft. About one-half of the miners were working near the main tunnel, and they made their escape, leaving 26 of their number to perish from the heat and smoke and from the poisonous gases, which spread like lightning to every portion of the mine. When it was seen that all efforts were useless to rescue the imprisoned miners, every energy was directed to saving the property from destruction. A hand pump was placed in position on the Escondido river. Pipes were laid into the mine as far as the work could be done, and hose attached and water poured onto the burning timbers. A portable engine was speedily obtained from Piedras Negras, and in three hours the fire was under control. There are 24 chambers in the mine, and the dead miners are supposed to be well to the front of the mine.

At noon yesterday your correspondent reached the scene. One body had been recovered from the seventh chamber and shortly after another fearfully scorched and blackened corpse was brought to the surface. The tenth chamber has been reached and men with ropes tied to their bodies, to effect their rescue if overcome by heat and smoke, are fighting their way to where the bodies of their dead comrades are lying. Superintendent George Spence ventured in too far and was overcome by heat and smoke. He was prostrated, but was rescued. It was believed that by to-day the mine will be cleared of the heat and smoke, which at present it is impossible to cope with, and that all the bodies will be recovered.

All of the miners employed were Mexicans, and most of them leave destitute families. It is reported that all parties responsible for the management of the mines have been placed under arrest, pending an investigation of the disaster. But for the prompt action of the officials of the Mexican International and their heroic efforts, the mine would have been destroyed and none of the bodies would have been recovered. This is the first great disaster in the history of coal mining in Mexico. Large numbers of the friends and relatives of the unfortunate miners are gathered at the mouth of the mine, mutely watching for the recovery of the bodies of their sons and husbands. When a body is taken out there is no outburst of grief, but a look of quiet resignation and deep grief appears upon every countenance. Hundreds of people from Eagle Pass and Piedras Niegras have visited the scene to-day, and the smoke still issuing from the air shafts impresses on all the folly of hoping that any of the imprisoned miners are yet alive.

EDWIN BOOTH.

NEW YORK, June 7.—Letters or telegrams were received at the player's club to-day from almost every prominent actor and actress in the country, bearing messages regretting Mr. Booth's death. They were all sent to Mrs. Grossman, Mr. Booth's daughter.

The body will be buried on Friday evening in Mount Auburn cemetery, near Boston. The funeral services will be held in this city on that day at 9:30, at the Little Church around the Corner, Bishop Potter officiating. The pallbearers will be Joseph Jefferson, A. M. Palmer, ex-Judge Charles H. Daly, Parke Goodwin, Eastman Johnson, Horace Howard-Furness and Will Bisham. No one will be admitted to the church without card. The chief mourners will be Ignatius and Mrs. Grossman, their two children, Mr. and Mrs. Bisham, Mr. Grossman's brother and sister, and John Henry Magonigle and wife. Immediately after the services the funeral cortege will move to the Grand Central depot and the remains of the great actor will be taken to Boston.

The remains were embalmed this morning at the Players' Club. A cast of the dead man's face was taken by John H. A. Walthausen. He said that Booth's face was life-like in expression and looked as natural as when he had last seen the tragedian on the stage. The body will be in a massive plain oak casket; no flowers will be taken to church, nor placed upon the casket, except wreaths of flowers from Mrs. Grossman. It is expected that a large number of the dead actor's friends will accompany the body to Boston.

THE CHAPEL ROYAL.

LONDON, June 7.—The memorial stone of the new wing of the Royal United Service Institution, better known to the public as the Chapel Royal, Whitehall, was laid today by the Prince of Wales, who was assisted by Prince Edward, of Saxe-Weimar, and Prince Adolphus, of Teck. The Duke of York and the Princess May were also present. The streets in the vicinity were packed, and the heir apparent received a hearty welcome. The Grand Lodge of Masons also participated in the ceremony. Immediately after the exercises the Prince opened a naval and military costume bazaar under the patronage of the Queen in aid of the building fund. The Princess of Wales accompanied the Prince on the occasion of the laying of the foundation stone, it being her first appearance since the death of her son, the Duke of Clarence, eighteen months ago. The wing of the building, of which the corner-stone was laid to-day, will serve the purpose of a museum of ancient weapons.

Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the hair, and medicinal herbs for the scalp, curing grayness, baldness, dandruff, and scalp sores.

CAPITAL NOTES

A Good Piece of Immigration Policy—The Cases of Suspected Canadian Cattle.

Special Customs Regulations—The Kootenay Country Being Organized for Revenue Collection.

(From our own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 7.—Hon. Mr. Daly to-day arranged with Fred Thomson of the Dundee News that of twelve workingmen coming to the World's Fair under the auspices of his paper, the two agriculturalists should visit Manitoba and British Columbia, while a coal miner and steel worker will visit the Maritime provinces.

Evidently the greatest interest is manifested in England in the suspected case of disease in the animals landed at Liverpool last week. To-day Sir Charles Tupper cabled asking full information relative to the origin of the animal. It came from Pilot Mound, Man. A veterinary inspector there reports that there is not the slightest disease in the district.

Differences of appraisement in regard to the admission of theatrical scenery and properties has led to the issue of a ruling that such articles when coming into the country for temporary use shall be rated as unenumerated articles and be accepted for entry at 20 per cent. Another ruling states that brewers' pitch dutiable at 20 per cent. has in some cases been entered as resin which is free.

In consequence of the rapid development of the South Kootenay district and the opening up of direct communication by rail with the United States, the district is being thoroughly organized by the customs for the purpose of the protection of the revenue.

NANAIMO ASSIZES.

Proceedings of Yesterday Before His Lordship Mr. Justice Crease.

The "Bawnmore" Kidnapping Affair—Opening of the Cowichan Indian Murder Case.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

NANAIMO, June 7.—In the Assize Court to-day a verdict of guilty of receiving stolen goods was returned in the case of James Baxter, tried on two counts of larceny and receiving goods known to be stolen.

J. P. Walls entered a *nolle prosequi* in the case of two seamen, F. Joernsen and H. Holtz, charged with being implicated in the Bawnmore kidnapping affair.

This afternoon the Indian murder case was opened. Several witnesses were examined and the case is likely to last over Friday. Great interest is evinced in the trial. The court house is crowded with Indians. The murder of Johnny Issir Lokum, for which Louis Underwood is now being tried, is supposed to have occurred on the evening of December 6, 1891. On the afternoon of that day (Sunday) Louis Underwood and three other Indians visited Johnny's house at Cowichan. Whilst there Louis and the deceased quarrelled and fought. They were separated by other Indians, all of whom got drunk and saw nothing more of Johnny or Louis. That evening, late, Indian Pete and his wife Christina, when coming home along the Kokullah road, met Underwood, who was drunk. He told them he had killed Johnny, and said where he had buried him. Next morning the couple visited the spot, and discovered the body of Johnny concealed under a heap of brush. Owing to the threats made by Louis, neither said a word of what he had told them or of the discovery of the body. Meanwhile, Johnny was missed, and a search party sent out, which, led by Underwood, failed to recover the missing man. Last Christmas Underwood, who was crazy with drink, stabbed himself in the abdomen. Christina thinking he would die, let out the particulars of the murder, which, coming to the ears of Constable Maitland-Dougall, resulted in Underwood's arrest. Christina's statement was taken in writing. Since then, some few weeks ago, she was drowned in the Nanaimo harbor. The body of Johnny was recovered some time back by accident. An Indian dog was found with a jaw bone in his mouth having round it the dead man's red handkerchief. The jaw bone was taken to Indian Agent Lomas, and a fresh search was instituted, when the remains were found.

WRONGFUL CHINESE ARRESTS.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—U. S. Commissioner Sawyer has dismissed the five Chinese who were in custody, charged with having illegally entered the United States. The Commissioner held that there was no evidence presented which would justify an order being made transporting the men. Some weeks ago the men were arrested when they arrived here on a Portland steamer. Word was telegraphed to ex-Collector Phelps that the men had crossed the border from British Columbia, and, acting on these instructions, the arrests followed.

AN OFFICIAL SCOUNDREL.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—The Star prints the following: "There is a scoundrel in the State department, and I propose to find out who he is." This remark was made by Secretary Gresham in his office at the State department this morning. It was addressed to a small group of newspaper men, and was provoked by the Secretary's indignation at the premature publication of the Russian Extradition Treaty and of the diplomatic correspondence leading up to the treaty. Secretary Gresham suspects that these documents or copies were abstracted from the secret archives of the department and were sold or given to the newspapers in which they appeared. It is said that the Secretary is of opinion that access to these secret records of the department could have been obtained only through the connivance of an employe of the department. It is clear to his mind that there is a leak somewhere, and he proposes to locate it if possible. He accordingly gave orders this morning for a thorough investigation of the matter, with the view to summary action in the case of the offender, should it be found he is an officer of the Government. Secretary Gresham said that he is always willing to make public all the business of the department that can be told with propriety, but that there are many matters necessarily secret in their character, which cannot be disclosed without detriment to foreign relations. It is therefore considered absolutely essential that they should not pass into the hands of employes tainted with the least suspicion of untrustworthiness. The result of the present investigation will be awaited with interest.

HAWAIIAN POLITICS.

HONOLULU, May 30.—Affairs political have quieted considerably during the past five days, and though the usual number of alarming rumors have been in circulation, people have failed to give them credence. Claus Spreckels created a mild sensation on May 29 by demanding the immediate payment of $95,000 owed to him by the government. Dispatches from Washington City, which stated that Blount's report was undoubtedly against annexation, are believed by many people of both parties. The annexationists now say that they will be satisfied with a protectorate insuring a stable government. The Royalists, on the contrary, say that the claim that they made all along, that there would be no annexation, has been verified, and that the Queen is to be reinstated. They say that Mr. Blount will report that she was removed from her throne by the power of the United States through Minister Stevens, and that no other honorable course remains but to use that same power to put Liliuokalani once more at the head of the Government.

Claus Spreckels seems to be the most powerful antagonist the Provisional Government has at present. He is making a vigorous campaign against annexation. Minister Blount regards the situation as peaceful, and thinks that whatever may be the solution of the political problem, there will be no fighting or bloodshed.

H. M. S. Hyacinthe will leave for Tahiti on June 2. The Hyacinthe arrived here several months ago with orders to remain only eight weeks, but the British commissioner requested her captain to remain until the admiralty could be communicated with. Orders for her departure arrived on the steamer Gaelic on May 29. To-day being Decoration day, the G. A. R. post here, most of the members of which are annexationists, will hold an elaborate celebration.

For some days officers of the Provisional Government have had under consideration instructions to be sent to Minister Thurston about a treaty of annexation. It was decided to instruct Thurston to ask, among other things, that the control of government lands be left to the Hawaiian Government to be disposed of under a law similar to the United States homestead law; also, that the United States take up the $900,000 Hawaiian silver coinage and recoin it into American money. The labor question was also under discussion, and the policy of asking that the labor laws of the United States be suspended for a period of five years as regards their application to Hawaii was talked of, when the news came that Minister Blount would receive instructions to negotiate a treaty here. It had been intended to send Thurston's instructions by the steamer of June 1, but the Government yesterday decided to defer action.

REPARATION DEMANDED.

NEW ORLEANS, June 7.—Reparation, pecuniary and by apology, has been asked of the department of State by the British ambassador at Washington for the action of the captain of night inspectors in New Orleans on May 2, in arresting first mate R. E. Maile, of the steamship Nigria, and locking him up in a city jail. The customs officer had detailed a night inspector to watch the Nigria, and the movements of this inspector in walking about on the deck of the vessel kept her officers awake, and First Mate Maile protested. When the captain of the night inspectors came along, the ship's officer renewed his objections to the action of the inspector, and he had some heated words with Captain Morgan, commander of the night force, whereupon the latter arrested him, took him forcibly off the ship and placed him in one of the precinct jails, where he remained all night.

The case is complicated by the fact that upon the preliminary examination of Maile the United States commissioner decided that he had committed no offence, and discharged him from custody, thus making a case of pure false imprisonment. The resident British consul was informed of the case, and he in turn laid an exhaustive report of the matter before Sir Julian Pauncefote, upon which the latter has based a demand for an apology and financial indemnity to Mr. Maile. Special Agent Link, of the treasury department, is here investigating the case for the Government, and nothing will be done until his report is forwarded.

MONTREAL MATTERS.

MONTREAL, June 7.—(Special).—Louis G. Beliveau, a young Frenchman moving in society here, was to-day sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for embezzling from the estates of Hon. J. L. Beaudry and Victor Beaudry, of which he was manager. Beliveau speculated in bucket shops, and during the late drop in the prices of American securities lost heavily. The amount he took from the estates was upwards of $11,000.

In response to a circular issued by F. Benoit, president of the old French Conservative Association of Montreal, also of senators, members of Parliament and members of the Legislature, the members met yesterday to consider political questions and to devise some means of reviving the party organization, which has fallen away in recent years. Addresses were delivered by Hon. J. A. Ouimet, Hon. L. O. Taillon, solicitor-general, J. J. Curran, M.P., and others. The upshot of the meeting was a resolution to form a new Conservative Association upon lines which would include every shade of opinion in the party, and so secure the blending of the different elements.

The Commission appointed to inquire into the Curran Bridge expenditure met yesterday for organization. Mr. Atwater represented the Dominion Government, Mr. J. S. Archibald, Q. C., appearing for Edward Kennedy, one of the suspended officials. The chairman announced the scope of the Commission to be unlimited.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—It was stated to-day that at least $2,000,000 have been sent to New York capitalists from this city during the past two weeks to pay for railroad and other Eastern securities bought in the weak market which has long prevailed.

Strongly Endorsed.

The Advertising of Hood's Sarsaparilla appeals to the sober, common sense of thinking people, because it is true, and it is always fully substantiated by endorsements which in the financial world would be accepted without a moment's hesitation. They tell the story—HOOD'S CURES.

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CANADIAN NEWS.

Bishop Hamilton Opposes Church of England Consolidation—Lord Derby at Toronto.

International Trouble May be Caused by Damming the Cornwall Canal.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

WINNIPEG, June 7.—The wife of James Hickey eloped last Friday and he started on an unsuccessful pursuit. To-day he returned and discovered that the woman had taken with her $400 he had in the bank. He will arm himself and resume the pursuit.

HAMILTON, June 7.—In his address at the opening of the Synod of Niagara, yesterday, Bishop Hamilton expressed himself as being opposed to the movement for the consolidation of the Church of England in Canada.

TORONTO, June 7.—Summonses returnable on Friday have been issued against the proprietors of two race pool rooms here, charging them with keeping disorderly houses. About fifty persons charged with frequenting these houses, have been summoned to appear the same day. Should the prosecution succeed, the rooms opened at Fort Erie and Windsor to accommodate Buffalo and Detroit betters will be closed.

LION'S HEAD, June 7.—At Pine Tree harbor last night, as twelve men who had been engaged loading telegraph poles on a crib for Cleveland, were coming ashore, their boat sprang a leak and went down. All of the occupants but four succeeded in getting ashore. The drowned are: John Smith, Lindsay; Mat Norris, Stokes Bay; Robert Mowatt, Hepworth; Henry Whitfield, Meaford. The bodies have not yet been recovered.

QUEBEC, June 7.—Bishop Henry C. Potter, of the diocese of New York, was to-day honored at a special convocation with the honorary degree of D. C. L., from Bishops College of Lennoxville. This morning Bishop Potter delivered a special sermon at a service held to celebrate the centennial of the founding of the diocese of Quebec.

TORONTO, June 7.—The Governor-General and Lady Derby arrived here this morning. They will hold a reception at the Government house this afternoon, and say good-bye to friends. The City Council will present them with a farewell address.

OTTAWA, June 7.—The U. S. consul here is gathering all the information he can in regard to the government project to dam the Cornwall canal, as it is feared it will lead to perplexing troubles between Canada and the United States in regard to flooding lands in the States. This information he will forward to Washington as soon as collected. The late Chief Engineer John Page and other engineers severely condemned the scheme.

HAVELOCK, July 6.—The body of the fourteen-year-old son of Richard Giles was found in a swamp near here last evening. A revolver was found by his side and three bullets were in his body. The case is undoubtedly one of suicide.

KNOWLTON, Que., June 7.—Lightning struck the house of Dr. W. H. McGowan on Sunday afternoon, doing much damage. The chimney was demolished and the gable end of the building was badly broken. The unwelcome visitor then travelled downstairs to the parlor, where it cracked the cornices and spoiled many of the pictures. The verandah around the house was also struck, the shingles and eaves being torn away. The well was next visited, and the stone and gravel banking was thrown up in all directions. This is the third time the house has been struck by lightning.

WINNIPEG, June 6.—A young man named McCabe, son of Prof. McCabe of the Ottawa Normal school, was arrested yesterday for stealing a cheque for $550 from the Inland Revenue department.

OWEN SOUND, June 7.—The Canadian Pacific steamer Manitoba, which went ashore on Bear Island on Saturday nights, has been floated, and is now on her way to Detroit.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 7.—A rumor gained circulation to-day that two of the best known elevator companies in the Northwest, the Northern Pacific and the Red River Valley, were temporarily embarrassed, and subsequent events proved that although the crash is not absolute the predicament in which the two above named corporations find themselves is a serious one. The situation is attributed to the prevailing uncertainty and the lack of confidence which is felt in the banks. The facts in the case as yet will not warrant the assertion that it is a business failure, although the statement comes direct from the general manager of the Northern Pacific Elevator Co., that that corporation will ask for the appointment of a receiver.

FOR FROST BITES.

SIRS,—For chapped hands, sore throat and frost bites I find nothing excels Hagyard's Yellow Oil. I had my feet frozen three years ago and obtained no relief until I used Hagyard's Yellow Oil, which soon healed up the frozen part.

CHAS LONGMUIR, Alameda, N.W.T.

BIRTHS.

SOUDEN—On the 6th of June, 1893, at Burr Cottage, Oak Bay,