

THE THIRD STEAMER

Aorangi Sails From London on Her Long Trip to This Port.

'Floor Room' at a Premium on Mexico for Alaska-Danube for Sale.

The steamer Topeka presented an animated appearance when she left the outer wharf for Alaska at ten o'clock this morning. The space not occupied by baggage, freight and barking dogs was filled with passengers, the majority of whom were bound for the Yukon gold fields. Several boarded the steamer here, among them being a party of French Canadians who arrived from Quebec a few days ago. The remarkable exodus to Alaska has created a boom in passenger traffic, and Seattle scaplers are plying a lucrative business. They invade the ticket offices and under fictitious names buy a large number of tickets for Alaska. When the time of sailing arrives the agents are forced to confess that the accommodation has been sold out. Then the scapler appears and the enthusiastic prospect is always willing to pay him a premium for a ticket. It is said that many of the tickets sold for steamers sailing during the next two months have been secured by scaplers.

As the first of March, the date when T. P. Whitlaw, the wrecker, promised to be here to begin the work of removing the San Pedro, has come and has not yet been, and he has not sent word as to when he intends coming, Collector of Customs Milne wrote to him today asking when he intended beginning operations. Whitlaw sent some of his appliances here about a month ago and they have lain at the wharf ever since. It is reported that he is having trouble with some of his workmen at San Francisco, one of whom is suing him for wages, not a large sum, however, and has libelled the steamer Whitlaw in consequence.

The steamship Aorangi, which is to run in connection with the Mowra and Warrimoo, of the Canadian-Australian line between Victoria and the Antipodes, was scheduled to sail from London today. The steamer will call at Tenerife, Cape Town, Melbourne and Sydney, at the last mentioned port taking her place in the regular service, sailing from here on May 10th via Auckland, San Francisco, Honolulu, and arriving here during the first week in June. The Aorangi is a fine bark-rigged ship of over 4,000 tons register. She was built at Glasgow in 1884, but since then she has been overhauled and equipped with engines of 5,000 horse power.

Messrs. R. P. Ritbet & Co., local agents for the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., received a telegram from the Seattle agent which stated that all berths on the Mexico had been taken for her trip to Alaska, sailing March 25. The telegram stated further that the passengers should secure a place on the floors as early as possible, as the rush to Alaska is unprecedented.

DANISH SETTLEMENT.

Several Immigrants Now on Their Way to Cape Scott.

The deck of the little schooner Floyburg presented a very busy scene this morning. Mr. R. Hansen, the promoter of the Danish settlement at Cape Scott, and his band of countrymen were at work repairing the schooner. A new mast was stepped this morning, and the workers are rapidly repairing the deck and trails. The schooner has suffered somewhat during a collision off San Francisco last year with a three-masted vessel. The Floyburg was an American schooner, having her port at Seattle, and was engaged in halibut fishing. She brought several hundred fish to this port last season. As Mr. Hansen intends using her at the Cape Scott settlement he transferred her from the American to the British flag this morning at the custom house, he having previously taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty.

It is about a year since Hansen went to Cape Scott to spy out the land, as it were, and in the interim he has made his arrangements and formulated his plans for the Danish colony which he wished to establish at the Cape. He wrote to many of his fellow countrymen resident in different parts of the United States, and as a result there are now about a dozen members of the colony in the city and fully a dozen more are expected to arrive this evening from the east. Those now in the city are mostly from different parts of Washington and California and several are from the eastern states. Should the colonists find the country at Cape Scott to be a favorable one for farming and agriculture, about fifty more settlers will go there and take up their homes. Some of the party now in town have purchased cows and other live stock to take up with them. Mr. R. Jensen, one of the colonists, who arrived yesterday evening from California, has brought with him a quantity of berry bushes from that state, which he proposes to plant at Cape

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A FATAL JOURNEY.

One of Captain Black's Party Dies of Pneumonia.

Since leaving Victoria for Omineca some three weeks ago, Capt. C. N. Black and party have encountered severe and stormy weather which has played sad havoc with the men who were not insured to living outside while the thermometer registered below zero. Five of them, namely, Fred Rogers, McLean, Barlow, W. L. Clarke and John A. Mathews, contracted pneumonia, and were left in the wayside inn along the Cariboo road. A telegram from Quesnel announced that Mathews' illness proved fatal and that he was buried there by the Masonic order on Sunday last.

John A. Mathews was one of the best known miners on the coast. A native of Whitley, Ont., he went to Alabama several years ago and associated himself with Capt. J. C. Anderson in iron works in that state. Some eight or nine years ago he came with Captain Anderson to the coast and worked on the C. P. R. He was a machinist and engineer of ability, and he soon invented and constructed a dredger for raising the city from the Fraser river. He was unsuccessful, however, in securing the necessary capital to operate the dredger and he then went with Captain Anderson to the coast where they developed some promising mining properties. Mr. Mathews had an inclination for placer mining and was therefore easily induced to join Capt. Anderson's party, but only a few days. Deceased was about 43 years of age and single. He was a member of Whitley lodge, A. F. & A. M.

As far as can be ascertained the others of the party who have contracted pneumonia are not dangerously ill. Captain Black and the remaining portion of his party left Quesnel on the 12th inst. for the coast, but were prevented from doing so by the weather which was so cold and stormy that it was not safe to attempt the journey.

It is, or should be, the highest aim of every merchant to please his customers; and that is the aim of the firm of Meyers & Esheleman, Sterling, Ill. It is doing so in a most commendable manner. In my sixteen years experience in the drug business I have never seen or sold or ordered medicine so well adapted to the patient as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

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LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Justice Drake this morning handed down his judgment refusing an order to prevent Judge Forin, of Nelson, hearing the information laid by G. O. Buchanan, of Kaslo, against Police Magistrate Chipman, of Kaslo. The facts were set forth in the Times of Monday last, but they also appear in the judgment, which is as follows:

Mr. Cassidy applies for a writ of prohibition to prevent His Honor Judge Forin, in his capacity of a police magistrate, from further adjudicating on the above information. The facts alleged are that Chipman committed a breach of by-law of Kaslo, No. 15, in the case of a police magistrate and city clerk of Kaslo.

One Stone, a justice of the peace for the district of West Kootenay, residing at Kaslo, on the information of Buchanan, granted a writ of prohibition against Nelson against Chipman, and on the return of the summons sundry objections were taken to the jurisdiction. 1st. That the summons could not issue in consequence of a private person, the Municipal Clauses Act, 2nd. That the offence being punishable by a fine the information should be laid by an official of the city. 3rd. That the adjudicating justice is a ratepayer or member of the council.

THE CIVIC ESTIMATES.

Passed at Last Evening's Meeting of the City Council.

The civic estimates of expenditure for 1897 were passed by the city council last evening. The slight decrease in the salaries as compared with last year's estimate is accounted for by the fact that last year the salaries were not reduced until late in the year. The cemetery keeper's salary has, however, been reduced from \$95 to \$90, while the assistant assessor's has been increased from \$65 to \$70. An assistant at \$15 per month has been provided for the home for the aged and infirm. For the sixteen constables on the police force are given a uniform salary of \$65.50. The miscellaneous account is reduced by \$5,000, that amount having been expended on Point Ellice bridge last year. For land contracts \$500 was voted, \$1,500 for the agricultural buildings and grounds, \$1,000 in aid of the Agricultural Society and \$250 for the consolidation of the by-laws.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.

Table with columns for 1896 and 1897. Rows include City debt, Municipal Council, Civic Utilities, City Institutions, Buildings and surveys, Fire apparatus, Police, Library, Home for the Aged and Infirm, Public Market, Street Lighting, Sewerage, and Barrister and Solicitor.

CITY INSTITUTIONS MAINTENANCE.

Table with columns for 1896 and 1897. Rows include Water Works, Cemetery, Pound, Police, Fire apparatus, Library, Street Lighting, Public Market, Sewerage.

BUILDINGS AND SURVEYS.

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POWDER WAR OVER.

Arrangement Effectuated Between Atlantic and Pacific Coast Companies.

San Francisco, March 17.—The powder war is over. An arrangement has been effected between the Atlantic and Pacific coast companies, and the latter will sign their agreement to-day if the programme is carried out. There is a dual arrangement. One covers the neutral belt and is between the manufacturers of powder in the East and those of California. This territory covers New Mexico, Colorado, Montana, Utah and Wyoming. It is open to both parties, who have agreed to advance prices from 1 cent to 1 1/2 cents on both black powder and high explosives. That there may be no underselling, each has agreed, through another, to examine the other's books to ascertain prices and points of shipment. One will have a direct bearing upon the other, as the former will depend in a large measure on location and freight. The fixing of this schedule has been an arduous task, and has occupied the attention of the two representatives of the eastern companies and those of the local powder manufacturers daily for several weeks.

The second division of the powder agreement is between the California, the Giant and the Judson companies, and covers what is known as the positive north, including mining regions in California, Nevada, Arizona, and Utah. The compact includes both black powders and dynamite. The advance in prices on the Pacific coast will be not less than 2 cents per pound. Almost every shipping point varies on the schedule, but as a general proposition the increase will be nearly 2 cents per pound. Thus No. 2 dynamite, which has been selling from 8 1/2 to 9 cents a pound, will be advanced to 9 1/2 and 10 cents, and black powder from \$1 to \$1.25 a keg.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Lieut.-Gov. Mackintosh—Trains Late—Thomas Plummer Dead.

Winnipeg, March 17.—Lieut.-Governor Mackintosh of the Northwest Territories is here. Your correspondent learns that the Lieut.-Governor, who is on his way to visit the Kootenay mining region, and it is said that he has become so largely interested in mineral properties there and is so enamored of the prospects that he will take up his residence in the region at once and give personal attention to his investments. Governor Mackintosh's term expires within a year.

The railway service was again badly demoralized by a night wind storm which filled the deep cuts with snow. The first train for two weeks from Yorkton, over the Manitoba & North-western line, reached the city last night. All the trains are late.

The Pembina street school building was burned yesterday morning as the scholars were assembling for their daily lessons. Loss, \$3,100.

John H. Ross, P. P. for Springfield, and latterly assistant clerk of the Manitoba legislature, is dead, aged 57. Martin Burke was frozen to death near Charcoal, the Indian murderer, was hanged at Macleod yesterday. He died without manifesting fear.

Montreal, March 17.—Mr. Merrydel, a Papist delegate to Canada, is expected to arrive in Quebec. He will take up his residence at Quebec. Premier Flynn has offered him the use of his residence while he remains in Canada.

Montreal, March 17.—Rev. George H. Wells, who was killed on Saturday near the church here, and his sad fate is deeply mourned.

London, March 17.—Rev. J. W. Pedley has announced that he will resign the pastorate of the First Congregational church here, in consequence of lack of support is the cause assigned. Mr. Pedley came from Vancouver, B. C., a year ago.

Starford, March 17.—Thomas Plummer, the late Starford branch manager of the Bank of Montreal, is dead. He has been in the service of the bank for twenty-three years.

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CURRENT HISTORY.

All who seek to keep up connected knowledge of public affairs will find Current History a most useful book. It is published quarterly, and reviews all the events and transactions of the preceding three months concisely and clearly, giving such a complete narrative that it is not only a most valuable reference work, but also a most interesting and readable style—history in the truest sense of the word. The volume now completed (1896) contains one thousand pages of reading matter, 228 portraits and seven maps and other illustrations, and has a complete analytical index. The current number treats of the November election, giving final and complete table of the results; the Cuban revolt; crisis in the Ottoman empire; Venezuelan treaty; international arbitration; currency reform; general political situation in Europe and the Orient; Manitoba and the Papal politics; Hamburg dock strike; dualism and military reform in Germany; Italian famine; Philippine revolution; new inventions; important legal decisions; Myrtle industry; international music; religion; literature; etc., and ends with a complete biographical review. The frontispiece is a portrait of George Du Maurier, accom-

THE IVORY TRIAL FIZZLE.

paying in a able review of his life and critical estimate of his work. Buffalo, N. Y.: Garretson, Cox & Co.

The Tagelbat, Berlin, thinks the English police have been guilty of unwarrantable sensationalism in their arrest of the Irish dynamiters, whose trial has ended in a fizzle by the release of Ivory. The paper says: "Only the ways of English justice are fearful and wonderful, and the story of the Irish dynamiter proves it. While the czar was journeying in Scotland the 'careful' English police discovered a frightful plot. Irish revolutionists and Russian nihilists were combined in one grand organization to destroy the autocrat of Russia and the oppressors of Ireland. All Europe was in a fever of excitement, and the able secret police of England was praised to the skies. Dynamite was discovered in a house at Antwerp, and the redoubtable No. 1 was arrested. Like other fool newspapers we dished up these horrible tales to our readers, and a pretty penny was spent for telegrams relating to this affair. The public want something horrible if it is so got, and here we had a most delightful chance to gratify this longing.

"And now the whole thing turns out to be a hoax, manufactured by the British secret police at Scotland Yard. The man, the supposed No. 1, had to be released by the French government because there was really nothing that warranted his extradition to England. Keady and Haines, arrested in Amsterdam to please England, were released because England did not even demand their extradition. Bell, alias Ivory, was arrested in Glasgow, kept in jail for four months, and released because his accuser, Jones, did not appear. The whole business had been invented. We are certainly not inclined to defend the motives of any country, but we think Bell-Ivory was entitled to some recompense. All he got, however, was that the judge advised him to keep clear of bad company—rather poor comfort for a man who has been imprisoned four months for nothing."

The editor, nevertheless, acknowledges that the English public does not side with the secret police, and expects that Scotland Yard will be held responsible.—Translated for the Literary Digest.

GREEK AND TURKISH FLEETS.

Greece has five vessels classed as armor-clads, as follows: The Georgios, 1,770 tons, launched in 1868; two 84 inch guns and four 3 inch breech loaders; the Olga, 2,030 tons, launched in 1868; six 6 1/2 inch guns and four rapid fire guns; the Spensia, 4,880 tons, launched in 1869; three 10 1/2 and five 6 inch guns; the Hydra, 4,880 tons, launched in 1869; three 10 1/2 inch and five 6 inch guns; the Psara, 4,880 tons, launched in 1869; three 10 1/2 inch and four 6 inch guns. There are twenty-one unprotected vessels, some of them thirty-eight years old, and none of them built since 1885. The largest, the Boobulina, is 1,350 tons burden; some are as small as 100 tons and most of them are under 500 tons. The batteries of these vessels are mostly small breech loading and machine guns. In addition to these there is a considerable number of steel hull torpedo boats, about thirty-five in all, ranging in age from eleven to twenty years.

To oppose this fleet Turkey has some several times as large, but antiquated. There are eighteen armor-clads, the oldest launched in 1854, and the newest in 1883, ranging in tonnage from 330 to 3,900. The batteries are principally muzzle-loading guns, and in this respect Greece has the advantage. Turkey, however, has just completed, or is about to complete, at Constantinople, a powerful barbette ship of 8,000 tons, 14 inch steel armor. It has an armament of four 11 inch, six 6 inch and ten rapid fire guns. Turkey also has a fleet of five deck-protected cruisers, ranging in tonnage from 1,600 to 4,050, just completed or nearing completion. There is also a flotilla of torpedo boats rather larger and more modern than those of Greece. Of protected cruisers seven are small ones of from 200 to 800 tons, just completed, some going back to the '50's, and not one among them of tolerable speed, some of them as small as 25 tons displacement and only four of them over 1,000 tons. They include gunboats, transports, dispatch boats, etc., and none of them would be of any great value in war, as they are too slow to overtake an unarmed vessel or escape from an armed one.—Baltimore Sun.

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One of the most grewsome additions to the military equipment of the German empire is the Grenadier. Hereafter every German regiment in time of war will be equipped with a kind of machine gun reminding one of a large kind of baking oven, mounted on four wheels. It is said that the soldiers resent the innovation on the ground that the machine is a too vivid reminder of the horrors of war. The inventor claims that the machine will dispose of the killed in a few hours, but it is not improbable that some of the wounded might be cremated by mistake. The invention does not find favor elsewhere, and it is to be hoped that such grewsome object will not become general.

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Career of Champion Fitzsimmons—The Many Hard Battles He Has Fought.

London, March 18.—Immense crowds gathered in Fleet street in front of the newspaper offices and the news of the sporting clubs was given the news of the fight at Carson. The greatest elation followed the announcement that Fitzsimmons had won.

The Sportsman says: "Corbett is the victim of his own jealousy and dog-in-the-manger policy. He ought to have been content to let the ring before he had been beaten by his inferior in everything but luck and hard hitting."

The Sporting Life says: "Fitzsimmons has won the title of champion of the world."

Corbett, on March 18.—The great battle between Corbett and Fitzsimmons is over. Robert Fitzsimmons is champion of the world and James J. Corbett is a bare knuckle number; but interest in the great fight event is unabated. The great fight of yesterday it was possible to have the story told as it should be. This, however, has now been done.

At 11:57 a.m. Siler told the men at ready. They said they were ready, and Siler told them to come. Fitz came from his dressing-room in a dark blue and pink dress suit. Corbett was in a black and white suit. Other three followed Corbett and Siler. They were all in a hurry. Siler told them to be ready. They were all in a hurry. Siler told them to be ready. They were all in a hurry.

The sealing schooner Teresa, Captain G. Meyer, cleared to-day for this season's sealing cruise on the coast and in Behring Sea. She will carry a crew of 8 whites and 20 Indians. Captain Meyer intends leaving as soon as the weather is favorable.

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