Accidental

Shooting

The Coroner's Jury Acquits Guy Bayne of the Death of Ah Sin.

The Boy Tells Straight Story of the Events on Wednesday

A coroner's jury yesterday found that Ah Sin, the Chinese boy who was accidentally shot at the residence of Mrs. Bayne, 134 Chatham street, came to his death by a gun shot wound accidentally inflicted. Coroner Hart presided and the jury consisted of Samuel Eastough William William

death by a gun shot wound accidentally inflicted. Coroner Hart presided and the jury consisted of Samuel Eastough (foreman), Andres Johnson. William Johnston, Percy Raymond, George Snider and Keyworth Harrup. Mr. J. M. Bradburn appeared on behalf of the father of the dead boy, and Guy Bayne, in whose hands the gun was when discharged, was not represented by counsel. Wong Duck, father of Ah Sin, was present and was very much affected, his sobs interrupting the taking of evidence, and he was barely able to speak when called to the witness stand.

The first witness called was Dr. Hasell, resident physician at the Jubilee hospital. He told of the arrival of the Chinese boy at the hospital and the condition of the wound. At that time the boy was unable to make a statement. The wound must have been inflicted by a gun shot at very close range, as the skin had been burned by the flash of the powder. It could not have been self-inflicted. He would say that the arm was beside the body when shot and the boy must have received the shot somewhat to the back, as the front part of the arm was intact. The shot could not have been fired from the front.

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Constable Handley told of being called to the house and finding the wounded boy. He and Sergt. Hawton assisted the doctor in dressing the patient, who was then taken to the hospital. The boy was not in a condition to make a statement. One shell in the gun had been discharged and this and the loaded one which was also in the gun were stuck fast in the breech. The gun was hard to open.

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er, but failed, and had to take the gun home loaded.

'Mrs. Bayne was called and gave evidence to the effect that Guy and Sin were on the best of terms—in fact, they all thought a great deal of the dead boy. He was, however, very mischievous and childlike, and was in the habit of playing with Guy. It was a practice for Sin's father to leave fish at the house before they were up in the morning, and she or Guy gave Sin the money for his father. She related an instance in which the dead boy had admitted tampering with an old revolver which she kept as a reife. This led her to think it possible that while Sin was alone in the house he might have gone to Guy's room and in handling the gun might have cocked it. She personally telephoned to the police to acquaint them of the shooting.

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Wong Duck, father of the dead boy, said Sin was 13 years or age. He had told him that he did not like his job at Mrs. Bayne's, but did not tell him why. He had made him remain there.

This was all the evidence, and Dr. Hart, in summing up, said there were three verdicts the jury could bring inmurder, manslaughter or accidental. As there was no malice shown, a verdict of murder would hardly be a correct one, and it was for the jury to saw whether the fact that Guy Bayne had left a loaded gun in a house where there was a mischievous boy and a little girl, constituted criminal negligence and justified a verdict of manslaughter. If they were convinced that there was no criminal negligence, the verdict must be accidental. After being out a short time the jury brought in a verdict of accidental shooting.

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Guy Bayne is still in custody, a charge having been entered against him at the time of his arrest. It is for the authorities to say whether they will accept the verdict of the coroner's jury and discharge him, or bring the matter before the magistrate. It is likely that the charge will be dropped.

GAZETTE NOTICE.

Number of Appointments as Justices of the

pointments:

To be justices of the Peace in and for
the province of British Columbia: William
Alexander Dodds, of Aspen Grove, Nicola
Valley; Willis John Armstrong, of Roger's
Pass, East Kootenav; Charles Mashiter
Edwards, of Eliko, East Kootenay,
Munroe Miller, of Victoria, to be a clerk
in the land registry office, Victoria.

Albert Edward Bolton, of Port Simpson,
D. J. P., to be resident physician at
Port Simpson.

in Osoyoos division of Yale, to be known as Deadwood school district.

Tuesday and Wednesday have been declared a school holiday.

The Crow's Nest Oil and Coal Company, Limited, and the Northwestern Development Syndicate, Limited, have been incorporated and the Eclipse Mining and Mailing Company registered as an extra provincial company,

J. S. McArthur McLeese, merchant and hotel keeper of Soda Creek, has assigned. So has the British Columbia Wholesale Liquor Company, of Rossland.

A meeting of the Providence Mining and Development Company will be held at Vancouver on October 2nd to authorize the directors to dispose of the assets of the company.

THE WALBRAN SOLD.

She Will Hereafter Cleave the Waters of Cowichan Lake.

The steam launch Walbran is now the property of the Duncan's Mining & Development Company, Limited, operating some mining claims recently discovered on Cowichan Lake, and she will be used to convey supplies and materials to the new mining camp. Mr. Harry Smith, manager of the company, was at work yesterday dismantling the machinery preparatory to shipping the craft via the E. & N. railway to Duncan's, whence she will be transported on wagons to the lake, 21 miles distant.

The Walbran is a well-built, taut looking vessel, 27 feet over all, and 6 feet beam, fitted with a 4-four power engine, and will be a welcome addition to the Cowichan Lake fleet.

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Sergt. Hawton confirmed the evidence of the constable and added that Guy Bayne had told him that the Chinaman had come to his room and asked him for two-bits, and he had told him that he had no two-bits for him. The deceased then caught hold of the gun and it was discharged. The Chinaman had always been in the habit of fooling with him and would not stop when told to. Bayne further said that he had gone to his room for the purpose of extracting the shells from his gun. He had been out hunting on Sunday and had been unable to get the shells out of his gun, as it had been raining and the shells had swollen. The one which was discharged was loaded with bird shot and the other with buckshot. Bayne said he had hold of the gun and was facing the door when the Chinaman took hold of the barrels.

Guy Bayne on being called said he was twenty-one years of age. The dead boy had been employed in their family for six or seven months off and on. Witness went to his room at 6 o'clock to dress and go out for dinner. Seeing his gun he picked it up to unload it. The boy followed him up-stairs and asked him for twenty-five cents. He told him to wait, and as he said this the Chinaman grabbed the gun by the barrels and immediately went for a doctor. He was away about fifteen minutes. When the gun was discharged the deceased was between him and the window. The gun was left loaded from Sunday to Wednesday morning he had over eight years to run.

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New York, Sept. 27.—The following are some of the weekly clearings as compiled by Bradstreets for the week ending September 26, with percentages of increases and decreases as compared with the corresponding week last year. Montreal \$17,722,440. increase 20 per cent.; Toronto \$11,009,003. increase 18.8 per cent.; Winnipeg \$3,009,442. increase 18.0 per cent.; Hamilton, \$718,947. increase 4.0 per cent.; St. John \$849,729. increase 13.0 per cent.; Victoria \$510,509. decrease 4.2 per

PREPARING FOR THE ROYAL VISIT

Reception Committee Completes Arrangements For the Com-

ing of Royal Party.

yesterday morning. There were present: His Worship the Mayor, who occupied the chair Senator Macdonald, Mr. Justice Martin, A. B. Fraser, sr., Alds. Hall, Beckwith, Cameron, Williams and Brydon, A. J. Dallain, A. E.

Inquiries Regarding Canadian Goods at High Commissioner's Office.

The High Commissioner's office at London received the following inquiries during the week ended September 6.

An Antwerp firm asks names of British Columbia packers of canned salmon.

An agency for one or two Canadian packers of canned goods is required by a London firm, prepared to push sales. The engineer of an important London district inquires as to suitability of Canadian woods for block paving.

The Imperial

for the forthcoming Royal visit was held The Men Were All Right, But the Officers Were Badly Selected.

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It was decided that the Royal party will be met at the Parinament buildings by the Mayor and Aldermen, a party of prominent citizens having welcomed them at the wharf. A committee consisting of Messrs. Drury, Hooper and Jeeves were appointed te act with Cols. Holmes and Gram and His Worship the Mayor to decide whether the school children be placed on a raised platform or on the steps of the government buildings, and make final arrangements for the reception. Chairman Hall of the school trustees said there would be about 3,000 children there. They were being taught to sing "God Save the King," and "The Maple Leaf for Eve."

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Pleaded Guilty.—A late session of the city police court was held yesterday when Hansen, Dodds, and Atkinson, the three boys charged with stealing a box of saw fixtures from the C. P. N. wharf were arraigned. They pleaded guilty to the charge and sentence was deferred until this morning.

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and Killed

Guy Baynes Under Arrest Because of Shot-gun Tragedy on Chatham Street.

Victim Playing With Gun Held by Baynes When it Discharged.

Marquis Ito.—A committee of Japanese residents of Seattle is coming to Victoria to meet Marquis Ito, ex-premier of Japan, who is expected here on the steamer Tosa Maru on Tuesday next, and will escort him to the Sound city where he will be accorded an official welcome. The Marquis is on his way to Yale university where he will take part in the anniversary ceremonies of the college next month. The Marquis has been to America a score of times and more than a generation ago delivered an address of note at Washington.

Annual Dance.—The annual harvest dance was held in the public hall at Metchosin last evening. Islander Fund.—Two additional sub-scriptions have been received for the fund for the widows and orphans of the victims of the Islander disaster, the Trades and Labor Council donating \$50 and R. J. Russell \$5. Funeral Today.—The funeral of the late Miss Maud K. Clark will take place today at 3 p. m. from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, Douglas street, her mother having wired from California to that effect last evening.

Rooms Wanted.—As the influx of visitors within the next few days is likely to tax the accommodation of the city hotels it is desired that parties having rooms to let will leave their addresses with Secretary Boggs at the city hall.

Cruelty to a Horse.—J. Alexander appeared at the provincial police court yesterday on a charge preferred by an agent of the S. P. C. A. for cruelty to a horse. Mr. Lindley Crease appeared for the prosecution and the case was remanded till Friday. Mr. Turner's Departure.—Hon. J. H. Turner, agent-general for British Columbia in Great British will leave for London on October 3. He is almost completely recovered from the effects of his recent accident.

Islands Show.—A large number of Victorians attended the annual exhibition of the Islands' Agricultural Association at Ganges Harbor yesterday, going over by the V. & S. railway and steamer Iroquois.

Business Changes.—It is understood that Harry Maloney, who has been with Harry Morton, of the Garrick's Head saloon for a couple of years, and G. Meldram, night bartender of the Brown Jug, have purchased from Steve O'Brien the latter saloon.

Italian Band.—The Royal Italian Band of Italy will give but two performances in Victoria and both at the Victoria theatre on the afternoon and evening of Monday next. They will not play at the exhibition as has been stated.

Boys' Brigade.—The Boys' Brigade held a meeting last night at which they decided to form intermediate and junior football teams. It was also decided to form an intermediate basket-ball team. The following officers were elected; A. Belyen, captain; and G. Temple and R. Dunn, committee.

The Lyceum annuer was served among as a muddles, olies with townarry.

Collection of Paintings.—A number of landscapes by F. Pauline, artist, are on exhibition in the office window of the Great Northern railway. There are a dozen pictures including several English scenes. Ann Hathaway's house, Rocks and Sands on the Cornish Coast, Spring Morning Near Bristol, On Bisley Common, and Autumn Evening, Surrey. There is a very good scene on the West Coast by evening, and several others are equally well done.

Marquis Ito.—A committee of Januese residents of Seattle is control of Japan, who is steamer T. and

when bloaded her up with the remains of her rudder clinging to her stern. The Oregon left Nome, September 6, and on September 9, when she was one day out from Unimak pass, lost her rudder in a gaie, and for a time was at the mercy of the elements. Three times the officers and crew rigged up a jury rudder before they succeeded in getting a proper steering apparatus, and in the course of this time intermittent storms combined to make the feat more hazardous. For more than a week the passengers were put on short rations, on two days getting only one meal.

She finally sighted the C. P. R. Empress of China, and the Empress supplied the crippled steamer with provisions. It was when the Oregon was 270 miles from Unimak pass that the iron rudder was badly damaged and the rudder post broken. Seeing that the wreckage would endanger the ship in the heavy sea which was rolling, Capt. Seely had to let it go. At once the work of rigging a jury rudder was commenced, which was rendered extremely difficult by the storm. A derrick was made and the jury rudder formed out of cargo booms.

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LOUISE RETURNS.

Northern British Columbia.

Steamer Princess Louise returned to port last night. She brought down 45 passengers, first class, and 75 steerage. Among them was the Port Simpson Indian band to take part in the coming celebrations.

Among the passengers was Mr. Williscraft, who has for the past three months been engaged in roadmaking on Princess Royal Island, This work was undertaken by the provincial government, and the road runs from Surf inlet to some of the large copper showings which are stinated on this island, at some distance from salt water. The construction gang, which has been working on this road, also came down on the Princess Louise, the work having been completed. Another passenger was Mr. Ernest Cleveland, who has been surveying mining claims on Princess Royal island. He sneaks enthusiastically of the district and its future. There are now a large number of prospectors on the island, but it is expected that nearly all will come out for the winter, returning again next

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erd books, SHORTHORNS—10 Bulls, 5 Females, AYRSHIRES—1 Bull, 4 Females, JER-SEYS—2 Females, 1 Bull. SWINE BERKSHIRES—6 Males, 6 Females. RKSHIRES—2 Sows in Pig. TAM-DRTH—1 Boar, 2 Sows in Pig. CHES-BEWHITE—1 Boar, 2 Sows in Pig.

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The stock has been ordered several months from the Department of Agriculture of Ontario, and is expected to be of exceptional quality. The Association has always aimed to get, not fancy exhibition stock, but reliable, healthy breeding stock at moderate prices, such as will pay every farmer to buy.

Persons wishing to put up stock for sale at this auction must communicate with the Secretary in plenty of time, so that it can be included in the catalogue.

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