STEAMER QUITO STRIKES ON ROCK

Diver McHardy Leaves With Gear and Diving Crew to Examine the Wreck

SCHEDULE FOR SOUND SERVICE

New Blue Funnel Liner Titan Has Left Liverpool on Her Maiden Trip to Victoria

Steamer Quito, Capt. Shotten, is reported to have struck a rock when bound to Comox from Royal Roads to load bunker coal for her voyage from Tacoma to Shanghai with grain. Diver J. McHardy, of the B. C. Marine Railway company, left for Comox by the northbound train Wednesday taking with him a crew to assist him in his diving operations. An examination of the steamer's hull will be made, and if the injuries are found to be serious the steamer will be brought to Esquimalt for repairs. The Quito's cargo is for a recently built flouring mill at Shanghai.

The Quito has been having troubles galore since her return from Cape Nome. On arrival here the steamer did not enter, but thirteen passengers were landed. Because of this the steamer was fined $400 by the customs when Capt. Shotten came to secure a clearance, without which he would have been unable to enter at Seattle.

THE SOUND SERVICE.

Schedule Arranged for the Steamer Princess Beatrice.

The schedule has been definitely arranged for the steamer Princess Beatrice's service between Victoria and Seattle commencing on Saturday morning. The C. P. R. steamer will leave the Belleville street dock daily, except Monday, at 8:30 a. m., arriving at Seattle at 2 p. m. Returning, the vessel will depart from Seattle daily, except Monday, at 11:30 p. m., arriving here at 7 a. m.

SANTA CLAUS BOATS.

Venture on the Way North—Camosun and Tees to Follow.

Steamer Venture is now on her way to Northern British Columbia ports with a Christmas cargo, mostly of supplies and provisions for Northern British Columbia ports, being the first of the Santa Claus steamers. Steamer Camosun, expected today from Naas and way ports, will be the next, sailing tomorrow night, and steamer Tees, which is expected today from Naas and way ports, will be the last, leaving on Saturday. The Camosun and Tees will have a large amount of Christmas goods to be landed at the various ports of call.

TITAN EN ROUTE.

Blue Funnel Liner Left Liverpool on Thursday Last.

The British steamer Titan, fifth and last of the fleet of large twin screw freighters built by Alfred Holt & Co. especially for the Liverpool-Victoria-Tacoma line, is now on her way to this port, having sailed from Liverpool Dec. 6. She will make a large number of ports of call and will probably arrive between February 16 and 20. Her ports of call include Birkenhead, Port Said, Suez, Colombo, Singapore, Hongkong, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.

Besides the Titan the other new steamers are the Teucer, Bellerophone, Antilochus and Cyclops, all huge freight carriers. The Antilochus is now on the Sound and the Teucer and Bellerophon have both been here. The Teucer is expected again shortly. The five new Blue Funnel liners are rated as the finest cargo steamships afloat.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Columbia, which arrived at San Francisco Monday after a stormy passage from Portland, rescued the schooner Rio Rey, which had lost her anchors, sail and rudder, and was in danger of foundering. Waves washed over the Columbia, flooding the staterooms.

Divers are examining the steamer Olympia to find if the vessel's plates were struck during the storm of last week, when the vessel was severely buffeted off Cape Flattery and obliged to return in distress.

Schooner Nottingham has arrived at New York from Seattle, after being injured by an iceberg, with which she collided off the Falkland Islands.

A Washington despatch says the act providing for a lightship on Swiftsure Bank, off the entrance to the Straits of Juan de Fuca, which passed by accident because of the failure of the clerks to strike the bill from the records, will be repealed.

During Monday night's gale steamer Marlechen, being dismantled at Seattle, broke adrift and, after having almost collided with the ship Marion Josiah, bumped into the transport Dix. Little damage was caused.

An Astoria despatch says steamer Costa Rica has arrived at the Columbia port after being swept by high seas, which broke over her. She was hove to, and in attempting to face it, her port wallowed in the trough of the sea helpless, being constantly under water. An emergency steering gear was rigged aft with great difficulty. She then hove to for five hours until the force of the storm was over, and during this time the waves broke the false work off the port side of the fantail and flooded the after part of the vessel. Everything was in confusion among the passengers, but the coolness of the officers soon restored confidence, although several were slightly injured, but how seriously is not known. The lifeboat that swings over the side was smashed to splinters and considerable part of the port rail carried away.

In the matter of the steamer Manchuria, which went ashore near Honolulu, Local Inspectors Bulger and Bolles find that Capt. Saunders was negligent and unskilful in running his vessel at full speed when in such close proximity to land during a heavy mist and rain squall, which was passing across his bow and obscuring his vision in that direction, and have suspended his license for a period of five months.

Capt. H. Bodfish, of the steam whaler William Bayliss, has been acquitted at Seattle on the charge of the murder of Edouard Legere, one of his crew. Chas. Christensen, one of his crew, has sued him for $25,000 for alleged cruel treatment on the last voyage.

A number of Japanese tramp steamers chartered to carry Japanese coolies to Honolulu will load grain at Portland at cut rates, getting $3 for grain cargoes for which other vessels have been paid $5 per ton. Steamer Shibata Maru, which recently landed coolies at Honolulu, is now en route to Portland in command of Capt. Eckstrand, a pioneer shipmaster of the N. Y. K. line to Victoria.

Messrs. W. Denny & Bros., Dumbarton, Clyde, have booked orders from Japan for two large turbine steamers for the ocean trade in the Far East for Japanese owners. They have also received an order for another steamer for New Zealand.

British ship Red Rock, which was thought to be lost when bound from here to Liverpool with salmon some years ago, when reinsurance at 40 per cent was paid, has been sold to R. Thomas & Co. of Liverpool, for £5,150, and renamed Carnarvon Castle.

Steamer Ramses will leave the dry dock at Esquimalt this morning at 6 a. m., after being cleaned and painted. It was found that no damage had been sustained by grounding at Corinto. The steamer will go to Nanaimo for coal, and thence to Seattle to load for her return voyage to Germany.

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THEY WANT TO KNOW WHERE THEY ARE AT

Licensed Vintners Appeal From Magistrate's Decision on Grocery Cases

An appeal from Magistrate Hall's decision in the grocery prosecutions will be heard in the county court, Jan. 7. The executive of the Licensed Vintners' association has taken the matter up and instructed R. T. Elliott and G. A. Morphy to attend to the case. Notices of appeal were served on the police magistrate and the three parties interested yesterday.

H. H. Maloney, president of the Licensed Vintners' association, referring to the proceeding said: "We have taken the case up to ascertain what status a license holder has in the city of Victoria. At present we do not know where we are at, and it is in an endeavor to find out that we have taken the matter up. You can state for me, however, that the Licensed Vintners had absolutely nothing to do with the first charge against the grocers, and the executive has only taken the question up since Magistrate Hall gave his decision. We have been charged with instituting the original proceedings, but it is absolutely untrue, as we did not have anything to do with it, and do not know who started it. There is at present considerable uncertainty as to the rights of licensed business premises and we want to have the decision of a higher court as to what our rights are. We have no hard feelings towards the grocers, but we must find out where we are at and it is only by this means that we can do so."

REAL ESTATE MARKET.

The real estate market continues buoyant. A number of sales were reported yesterday, all of which were of a comparatively insignificant character. Somewhat of a stir was caused by the circulation of a report to the effect that $60,000 had been offered and refused for a property fronting on James Bay harbor.

One of the purchases made yesterday was that of property situated on the corner of Menzies and Superior streets by a Vancouver man. The sum involved was $6000 and the deal was conducted by Leeming Bros. The same firm sold two residences on Dallas road. One was obtained by an outsider and the other by a Victorian. It is understood that the purchase sum approximated $4000 in both cases.

SHOCK KILLS MOTORMAN.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 12.—Nervous shock caused by his car almost striking day, was the cause of the death of Harry C. Sutton, a local motorman, yesterday. Sutton stopped the car suddenly, just in time to avoid crushing the pair, and then fell unconscious. A physician found that Sutton had become paralyzed. He remained unconscious until his death.

DR. GEORGE DUNCAN GOES TO HIS REST

Popular Local Physician Succumbs to Injuries Received in Accident

Dr. George Duncan, until recently one of the best known medical men of the city, died Wednesday morning at St. Joseph's hospital, where he had been a patient for a considerable time. The cause of his death dates back about a year, when he received severe injuries in a carriage accident. He was driving with the young daughter of Thomas Boos, when both were thrown out of the gig. The little girl escaped without injury, but Dr. Duncan received a bad wound at the base of the brain. He was taken at once to St. Joseph's hospital, where he was unconscious for several days, but afterwards recovered sufficiently to leave the institution mentioned. After a short time it developed that his spine was injured, and he was again removed to the hospital, where he died yesterday, the immediate cause being myelitis. The funeral will take place at 2:15 tomorrow afternoon from the residence of Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Birdcage Walk, and from St. Andrew's Presbyterian church fifteen minutes later.

Born in 1862, at Duncanville, a village named after his father, the late John Duncan, the deceased was educated in the East. As a young man he was active in military circles, having been a member of the Governor-General's Foot Guards and the Princess Louise Dragoons. During this period he taught school in Ottawa. In 1892 he graduated with the degree of M. D. at McGill university, and almost immediately came West. With his brother, the late Dr. John A. Duncan, who was drowned in the Islander disaster, he engaged in the practice of his profession, being appointed city medical officer in 1893. Upon the death of Dr. Macnaughton Jones, Dominion quarantine officer, he assumed this position, which he retained until the appointment of the present incumbent of the office, Dr. A. M. Watt. Dr. Duncan made a special study of conditions at the Lazaretto on Darcy Island, and was the author of several valuable contributions on leprosy to medical literature. During the course of the China-Japan war, he went to the latter country, intending to offer his services as an army surgeon, but returned to the city shortly afterwards.

He remained in Victoria, practicing his profession, until 1898, when, on the outbreak of the Klondike excitement, he went North and located in Dawson. He was recalled from that place by the death of his brother, and resumed medical work here, which he continued until the accident mentioned above. Before going North he became identified with the B. C. Rifle association, his brother at that time being surgeon to C. Battery, of the Canadian artillery, and was prominent in rifle shooting.

A brother and sister survive him. The former, Rev. W. Duncan, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., came to Victoria as soon as it was known deceased could not recover, and has remained here ever since. The sister is Mrs. A. Carson, who resides on the family homestead at Duncanville.

BABINES SATISFIED WITH ADJUSTMENT

Father Coccola Says Story of Trouble Was Very Much Exaggerated

Father Coccola with the two Babine Indians who went to Ottawa to place their case before the federal authorities, arrived in Vancouver on Monday and will go north by the next steamer.

"We are satisfied with the result of our journey," said the missionary in reply to a question. "We saw the minister of the interior, the minister of marine and fisheries, and lastly, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. They all were very much surprised at the lucidity of the Indians in arguing their case, and promised them compensation for the privilege which had been taken away from them. Conditional promises of land, for cultivation in front of Babine village and on the shores of Babine lake were made to the Indians, and seeds to plant in the new land were also suggested. In place of the barricades the authorities will provide them with nets.

Asked how the trouble began Father Coccola said:

"The reports of the affair were much exaggerated. It was only the women who resisted the fishery guardians. For many years the Indians have been in the habit of catching their winter's supply of fish. They catch the fish, not only at the first and second barricades, but at the third also, and there is no reason to doubt that plenty of fish for spawning purposes get beyond all the barricades, since dead fish can be found in great numbers on the shores of Babine lake."

Simon Gun-a-noot the Hazelton murderer, whom the police are now pursuing, is not the bad man he is painted According to Father Coccola he was generally a quiet man. He and his companion had been drinking on the day of the murder, and were standing alongside a fence, when Gun-a-noot's companion made an insulting reference to the murderer's wife. The Indian was too drunk to know what he was doing, yet instinct made him defend his wife's honor.

"It is the men who supplied the liquor who should be punished," said Father Coccola. "I advised Gun-a-noot to give himself up to the authorities and tell his whole story, and I think he will."

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ROSE HASKINS.

Victoria, B. C., December 8th, 1906.

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Stewart, B. C., November 12th, 1906.

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Per A. LUND, Agent.

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