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LOSS OF THE ZEILEIKA.

Men Were Drowned and Nine Were Saved.

San Francisco, June 3.—The loss of the ship Zeileika, bound from New York for Wellington, New Zealand, in the death by drowning of 12 of the crew, is the most serious disaster of the season. The ship was wrecked on the coast of New Zealand, and the details of the disaster were forwarded to the press by cable, but at the time the news was received, the details of the disaster were not known. The ship was bound from Sydney, New South Wales, to Wellington, New Zealand, and was carrying a cargo of coal and passengers. The ship was wrecked on the coast of New Zealand, and the details of the disaster were forwarded to the press by cable, but at the time the news was received, the details of the disaster were not known.

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THE COAST RAILWAY

British Columbia Delegation Ineffectually Oppose Granting Charter to Hezue's Road.

Ottawa, June 8.—The Columbia and Western Railway bill was taken up in the House of Commons today. It was in charge of Mr. Bostock. This is the Hezue company and it was understood to be down for a subsidy in connection with the Crow's Nest policy of the administration. Dr. Milne, of Victoria, and Norman McLean, of Vancouver, were promoters of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway, opposed the granting of the charter to the Hezue road. They asked that their road should have the preference in the interest of the coast cities. Darcy Scott, of Ottawa, spoke for the Hezue road. Mr. Oliver asked for the policy of the government. Mr. Blair said he was not in position officially to announce the policy of the government as that would have to be done in the House. The government arrangement, however, did not go beyond the Columbia river, and did not include this road. There was no objection to giving incorporation to this company. The arguments of Dr. Milne and Mr. Maclean were not sufficient for the refusal of the charter, which would give connection by way of Lake Okanagan and Stannicum to the coast. He did not believe that the people on the coast should be left in the lurch. It was arranged in the belief that the government would spend from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000 for a railway to the coast. The people of the coast cities should be content to wait for a few years, even if they had to go around by this road by a distance of 150 miles than by a straight line. When the whole policy of the government was announced and the arrangement made known which the government had completed with the C.P.R. regarding the coast cities, he was satisfied that the people would be content with the one road for a few years. As Mr. Oliver continued to press his objections, the bill was allowed to stand at the request of Mr. Blair.

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AND REGISTRY ACT.

Matter of an Application for a duplicate of Certificate of Title to (21 acres) of Lot 25, Cowichan District.

It is hereby given that it is my duty, at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of Certificate of Title to John Tait to the above lands, dated the 11th day of June, 1897, and numbered 12310.

S. Y. WOOLTON, Registrar General, Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., June 11, 1897.

SOME PLAIN TALK

Globe's Strong Views on the C. P. R. and the Question of Railway Rates.

Toronto, June 8.—The Globe says: "If there is business enough to support two lines of railways charging lower rates than existing rates, then the Canadian Pacific is unduly tolling the domain which it serves. If on the other hand there is not sufficient business to support two roads even at the existing rates, wherein is the settler to benefit? A second road would be a disaster to him rather than a benefit. A railway is a public corporation built on public franchises and to a large extent capable of being injured by a grant of similar franchises to rival lines. If its earnings that its charges are made to be demonstrated. Let the people in behind the curtain. Let, says Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia be represented on the board of directors by independent men chosen by the legislatures of those provinces, whose duty it would be to report from time to time to their constituents, and who should have a voice in the making of western rates."

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MR. HUDDART'S VIEWS.

Much Disappointed at Canada's Fast Line Project.

London, June 8.—James E. Huddart, the Canadian Pacific steamship line promoter, in a long letter to the Times, in the course of which he reviews the history of the various attempts to secure a fast service between England and Australia by way of Canada, said that if he could have foreseen the result he would not have touched the project with a pitchfork. He is quite certain that the service as contracted for by the firm of Peterson, Tait & Co. of New-Britain, is doomed to fail, and concludes: 'I believe if Canada is to receive a fast Atlantic service she will receive it through me, or it will be deferred indefinitely.'"

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The Marquis of Lorne Writes of Our Immense Mining Resources.

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MONTRÉAL MATTERS.

Mysterious Death—Marotte's Seat—The Bank of Montreal.

Montreal, June 8.—It was learned to-day that Count Henry Duménil de Somersy, of Belgium, whose body was found in the St. Lawrence, near Sorel on Saturday, had engaged passage on a vessel for France, with a view of returning home to renew his old position in life. His death has caused some suspicion of foul play and an investigation will take place. The Champlain Liberals have contested the election of Dr. Marotte on the ground of clerical interference. Dr. Marotte has entered a cross petition against Dr. Trudel, the defeated Liberal candidate, asking his disqualification. He also seeks the disqualification of Messrs. Turcotte, Geoffrois, and several members of the Dominion and Quebec Quebec parliaments.

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DESTRUCTIVE HAILSTORM.

Great Damage in Texas—Crops Badly Damaged.

Rogers, Texas, June 8.—A destructive hailstorm yesterday completely destroyed crops of all kinds north of here, and great damage was done. Grainger, Texas, reports all crops east and north of the town badly damaged. Bryan Park, wife and three children, and Wm. Ashford were in a house on the Allan farm two miles north, which was blown to pieces. All were more or less injured, and one of the boys may die. At Holland the Methodist and Christian churches were wrecked and several houses were unroofed and their contents nearly ruined.

QUEIT REIGNS AT URBANA.

The Governor Upholds the Militia in Firing Upon the Mob.

Columbus, O., June 7.—A dispatch to the Dispatch from Urbana, O., says: "There is great indignation here over the reports that Chapman county, or Urbana, is to be placed under martial law. Sheriff McLean returned to Urbana to-day."

BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS.