W. E. WILSON,
Locator.
toria, B. C., March 26th, 1907.

TIMBER LIMIT.

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1907.
L. S. HIGGS,
Agent for A. J. Garesche.

NOTICE.

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d the Lagoon on the west,
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nted and pre-empted lands and
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s 20th day of January, 1907.
J. L. LEESON.

OF JAMES EVANS, OF
HAN DISTRICT, V. I.,
R, DECEASED.
ns having claims against the
who died 22nd January, 1907,
e of whose will was, on the 21st
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, having regard only to the
which they shall then have re-
e. All persons indebted to the
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ged forthwith.
22nd day of February, 1907.
JOHN NEWELL EVANS.
ELIAS CASTLEY,
Executors of Said Will.
B. C.

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B. A. M'BETH.
F. Jacobson, Agent.

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J. A. HODDER,
A. W. Harvey, Agent.

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point of commencement.
R. S. HUGHES.
Per E. J. Conner.
ernl, March 18th.

tice that, 30 days after date, I
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80 chains, thence S. 80 chains,
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Victoria, B. C., 28th March, 1907.
H. M. HILLIS.
Per A. Deakin.

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GIVE A DINNER THIS EVENING

SPECIAL SERMONS IN CITY CHURCHES

Y. M. C. A. to Make Their Appeal to the Business Men this Evening.

(From Monday's Daily.)

This evening the business men's banquet in the Y. M. C. A. rooms will be held.

The object of the gathering is to discuss the situation of the institution in this city and to consider from all standpoints the proposal to erect a new building.

In this connection stereopticon views of buildings, plans, etc., will be given, and the views of the local supporters will be thoroughly canvassed.

The Y. M. C. A. officials, who were in the city yesterday, and who spoke at the various services, have remained over, and will assist with their advice. At noon to-day a lunch was tendered them and the plans for the evening meeting were thoroughly discussed.

Services were addressed yesterday in ten of the city churches by the visitors and the local Y. M. C. A. officials.

Among the principal speakers were John Marvin Dean, pastor of the Baptist tabernacle in Seattle, and General Secretary Parsons, whose headquarters are at Minneapolis. The latter is a man of wide experience in handling men, and has been eminently successful in organizing and carrying out campaigns for the erection of new buildings. To him is due a great deal of the credit for the success of the recent campaign in Regina. Mr. Dean has also had much experience in Y. M. C. A. work he having been with the United States forces in the Phillipines, where he saw much hard work and not a little adventure.

In addition to these there were Secretary Allen, of Seattle, Booth of Tacoma, Graham of Vancouver, Horn of Calgary and others. These all spoke twice in the city churches yesterday. The feature of the day was, however, Mr. Dean's address to men in the New Grand theatre yesterday afternoon. He was greeted by a large and enthusiastic audience, and in the course of his remarks proved both that he was a master of men, and that he knew their weak spots in every particular. In the evening he spoke in Calvary Baptist church of his experiences in the Philippines as illustrating the great and multifarious work which the association was doing.

Secretary Parkson was at the Metropolitan Methodist church in the evening, where he spoke of the great work that had already been done as well as of that which was being done.

At 8.30 in the evening there was a mass meeting in the new Grand theatre again, at which the speakers were Messrs. Graham, Parsons and Allan. The first mentioned spoke largely of the work that had been accomplished in the East during the past year. The campaigns in Ottawa, Stratford, Fort William, Regina and elsewhere were all referred to. The action of the Montreal Y. M. C. A. in preparing to enlarge their quarters was mentioned, and the people of Victoria were told that if they wished to get the best results from their institution they must get in line and do some boosting for the realization of the prayers, ambitions and plans of the local officials. Mr. Allen, who followed, said that the day had gone by when business men could be considered to be in the van of progress, and refrain from assisting an institution of this kind. The day has come, said he, when we are awake to the fact that our boys and girls are worth almost as much as our pigs and calves. Continuing, he said there were many men who knew more about their stock than they did about their children. Much had been done to revolutionize this state of affairs. Much remained to be done. The Y. M. C. A. was doing it and deserved the support and confidence of the people here as elsewhere.

As an instance of the attitude of the business men across the line he called on Charles H. Black, of the Seattle Hardware Company.

Mr. Black stated that two years ago he was prejudiced against the Y. M. C. A. He had thought that it was devoted solely to athletics. He had since changed his mind and his firm were supporting their conviction to the extent of $25,000. Moreover, since its installation they had inaugurated noon lunches, where the employees got a good lunch for 15 cents, and in 20 minutes they were back to work. It worked well. The men, of whom there were 150, were better satisfied, and the firm got just as much work if not more.

Mr. Allen then followed with a few minutes talk on the policy of several of the big firms along the coast. The attorney of the Santa Fee railway had stated at a Y. M. C. A. gathering that while the directors of the rood did not consider that they had a right to appropriate the shareholders' money for any purpose not connected with the road, they did consider that they had as much right tos pend a portion of it on the repair of the men, as they had to spend money for the repair of the machinery. As a result they now had a railroad Y. M. C. A. at every divisional point. He instanced other cases in which this was being done, and concluded with an appeal to the business men of Victoria to help their able secretary make the institution worthy of the city.

He was followed by Secretary Parsons, who at the outset struck a true statesman-like note. He pointed out to his hearers that they could not afford to sit with folded hands in fancied security. This might have been all right when the country was new. It might be even all right to-day to a certain extent in Ontario, although there, too, they must see to it that they did not succumb to the modern greed for gain. The same was true of the Canadian Northwest.

"In the day," said he, "that a nation forgets those underlying principles of truth and righteousness which are the foundation of all enduring greatness it begins to decay. You have need to be careful this side of the line as we have to be careful on the other side. It is not the low down scoundrels who are the grafters, its the well educated; the men who have profited by the beneficience of the state, and are using it for their own private gain."

Continuing, he said that Canada was getting many from the south, and it behooved them to look to it that they were not submerged by looseness of principle, which characterized some of those coming here. It being late Mr. Parsons concluded his short address with a glowing appeal for the support of the local institution.

Mr. Brace, the secretary of the local branch of the Y. M. C. A., came in for much well deserved commendation at the hands of the various speakers.

Mrs. Staneland and Miss Palmer both sang very acceptably.

FIREMEN BURIED BY FALLING WALL

ONE KILLED AND THREE FATALLY INJURED

Car Barn and Power House of New York Railway Company Partially Destroyed.

New York, April 8.—Fire early to-day partially destroyed the car barn and power house of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, extending from 145th to 146th streets and from Lenox Ave. to Seventh Avenue. During the course of the fire one fireman was killed and three others probably fatally injured. The financial loss is heavy.

The dead: Capt. John Ryan, of engine company No. 80. Injured: John Connors, fireman, John Robury, fireman, F. Leopold, fireman.

The men killed and injured were fighting the flames from the second story escape on the Seventh Avenue side of the building when the wall fell, burying the men in the debris. Captain Ryan was taken out dead and fireman Leopold was probably fatally injured.

The fire started in the repair department from a grounded wire in one of the cars and communicated to the paint and varnish booms. The fire burned so fiercely that it took the firemen nearly three hours to bring it under control.

DETECTIVE BUREAU.

C. P. R. Is Establishing Private Agency to Cover Every Part of Dominion.

Toronto, April 7.—It is understood that the C. P. R. is establishing its own private detective agency to cover every part of the Dominion. The reason for this is believed to be the very heavy expense accounts which the company has had to pay private detective agencies in cases where the railway is interested. Cases have been shown where the railway has been known to chase defaulters around the world more than once, and this action is taken so that there may not only be a saving in expense, but that the railway company will be able to acquire the services of the best men in the detective profession.

This is being done under the name of the Canadian Detective Bureau, Limited, which has recently been organized in Toronto with Mr. Walsh, formerly of the Northwest Mounted Police, as superintendent. Inspector Alfred Cuddy, of No. 2 division, Toronto, has accepted the position of manager of the Toronto office at a salary of $2,500 a year, nearly $1,000 more than he is getting from the city. The company would like to have Inspector Walter Duncan, of the Toronto detective department, join also, and has made him a very tempting offer. The name of Chief Silas H. Carpenter, of the Montreal detective department, is connected with the position of superintendent for the province of Quebec.

KUROKI WILL VISIT THIS CITY

LOCAL JAPANESE WILL WELCOME COUNTRYMAN

The General is to Represent Japan at the Jamestown Exhibition.

The Japanese colony in this city are highly elated over news recently received from home. It is to the effect that General Kuroki, who commanded the first Japanese army in Manchuria, and who directed the troops in the united battle of the war when his command crossed the Yalu river in the face of the Russian fire, will pass through Victoria en route to the Jamestown exhibition.

When the announcement that Japan would send naval and military representatives thither came, it was reported that Admiral Togo would accompany the delegation.

Later this was contradicted, and the local subjects of the Mikado were compelled to forego the welcoming of the great hero of the empire. His duties in Japan, consequent upon the huge programme of shipbuilding recently ratified by the Japanese diet, will detain him there. General Kuroki probably is second only to Togo in the estimation of his countrymen, and the announcement that he would head the military representations has just been made.

An effort will be made to persuade him to spend at least a day here when a banquet will be tendered him.

TRIED TO END LIFE.

St. John, N. B., April 6.—Charles Minus, an immigrant, made a sensational attempt at suicide at the immigration sheds this afternoon. He slashed his throat with a razor, but bystanders prevented his doing further injury. He is now under the doctor's care. Minus came to Quebec in June, 1906, and went to Vancouver. He was being deported on account of suicidal mania, and he will be sent back in the next boat. The guard had left him for a moment to-day, when he seized the razor and drew it across his throat.

DISEASE AND FAMINE.

St. Petersburg, April 7.—Scurvy is making great strides in the famine districts. The official reports for the second fortnight of March show 1,055 cases in Ufa province and 717 in Saratov, compared with 438 in Ufa the first fortnight of March, and 356 in Saratov province during the same period.

There has been a slight decrease in the spread of typhus.

WEATHER MODERATES IN NORTHERN WATERS

Princess May Brings News of Activity in Dawson--Deadlock at Prince Rupert.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Coming from northern waters the steamer Princess May reached port at 6 p.m. on Saturday. She reports that the weather in the North is gradually moderating, and although she ran into heavy snow between Port Essington and Skagway the weather was mild.

To Vancouver the Princess brought 73 passengers. Many of these were from Prince Rupert, where it appears work is at a standstill. Numbers of prospectors and land seekers who had spent some time there have left for Port Simpson, and are now buying up land in that neighborhood owing to the reports of development in the near future.

News comes to hand from Dawson of great activity foreshadowed there during the coming summer. Two new Marion dredges of the same type and size as the Bear Creek dredge have been ordered, and will be at work in Bear Creek before the end of the season. Eight giant drills will also be at work all the summer, four of these on French hill, and four on the Williams concession.

The steamer Hamilton, now at Sunnydale, opposite Dawson, will be extensively prepared and altered above deck for traffic on the lower Yukon. The work is in hand now, and by the time the river opens she will be in fine condition. All the other steamers which ply on the Yukon river are undergoing alterations to cope with an extended traffic. Capt. Dobler, who has charge of the spring preparations of the N. A. T. & T. fleet, is now at Dawson in charge of the improvements.

Among the passengers brought to Vancouver by the Princess May was Major Snider, of the Northwest Mounted Police. The Princess will sail again to-night for Skagway and northern B. C. ports.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WANTED.

Business of Legislature Interferred With by Government's Policy.

(From Monday's Daily.)

There has been general dissatisfaction in the legislature this session with respect to legal advice on various bills before the House. The difficulty arises from the fact that Premier McBride has not a proper idea of proportion. During the sitting of the legislature, the office of attorney-general is necessarily an important one, calling for all his attention.

Just before the House assembled, the premier saw fit to appoint Hon. F. J. Fulton, attorney-general to the portfolio of lands and works, a department which is the heaviest, perhaps in the government.

It is only fair to Hon. Mr. Fulton to say that with a heavy department like that of lands and works thrust upon him he could give little attention to the duties of attorney-general with respect to bills before the House. The result has been that the business of the session has been progressing without an attorney-general in reality. Information is asked for from time to time respecting government bills before the House without an attorney-general being there to answer. At times Hon. F. Carter-Cotton, at other times Hon. H. E. Young and again A. E. McPhillips proceeds to intrepret the bills for the information of the opposition. This is extremely unsatisfactory.

E. G. RUSSELL HAS RETURNED FROM EAST

Will Represent G. T. P. on Special Matters--Devote Remainder of Time to Private Business.

(From Monday's Daily.)

E. G. Russell returned to Victoria last night after a hurried trip to Montreal, and intends going north on or about the 18th inst. He expects to remain at Prince Rupert for some considerable time looking after the various interests with which he is associated.

One of the objects which Mr. Russell had in view in his visit to Montreal was to discuss with the officials of the G. T. P. the question of being relieved of the detail work that has encroached upon his time to such an extent.

The vice-president, Frank W. Morse, expressed regret at the request of Mr. Russell, but conceded the point on the direct understanding that Mr. Russell should be a representative of the company in any matters of special import, and as soon as Mr. Russell's personal matters will permit of his doing so, it is expected that he will again devote his whole time and attention to the work of that company in this province.

Mr. Russell in reply to a question as to the relations between the G. T. P. and the Indian reserve question in the north, said that he did not anticipate any trouble with the provincial government on this point. He had no doubt that when the question was gone into between the Premier and the company's representatives, that an amicable and satisfactory arrangement could be arrived at. The company would require additional land to carry out its work at the terminus in a satisfactory way and he believed the government would meet the company in a fair spirit.

Steady progress, he says, is being made in connection with the G. T. P. across the province, although actual construction has not yet been begun.

BODY OF MINING MAN FOUND.

Remains of H. Halliday, of New Westminster, Discovered in Burrard Inlet.

Vancouver, April 7.—A body, which, upon being recovered, was identified as that of Henry Halliday, of New Westminster, was observed floating in Burrard Inlet near the Union Steamship wharf about 6 o'clock last evening by Captain Patterson, an ex-seafaring man who acts as night watchman for the Union Steamship company. With the assistance of some by-standers he succeeded in getting the body out of the water.

A. P. Halliday, of New Westminster, identified the remains of the unfortunate man as those of his brother. He states that his brother had been missing since February 17th last. A diligent search was instituted, but without any trace being found of him. The widow of the deceased had become almost hysterical with suspense as the days passed without bringing news of her husband's whereabouts, and now she is prostrated with grief.

DETERMINED TO KEEP BOY.

Dr. Kereger and His Son Have Arrived in Berlin.

Berlin, April 7.—Dr. James Kereger, formerly of Chicago, and his son, Eddy, who was reported to have been kidnapped in Hamburg some time ago, are in Berlin. Dr. Kerger intends to practice medicine here. The boy claims he desires to stay with his father. The doctor declares that the boy came with him willingly, and that he intends to fight possession of him by every legal means. The boy's mother said she intended to return to Chicago immediately.

RETURNS FROM TOUR IN SOUTH

TOLD AMERICANS OF VICTORIA'S CHARMS

Secretary Cuthbert of the Tourists' Association Spent a Busy Month.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Tourist association, returned to the city after nearly a month's trip in the south to further the interests of Victoria. The itinerary included Portland, Ookland, Berkley, San Francisco, Del Monte, Paso Robles, Fresno, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and Riverside. Mr. Cuthbert accompanied the Seattle business men's excursion and in all the receptions and complimentary functions tendered them, he was featured as one of the chief members of the party.

It was a busy trip for him. He distributed 25,000 of the seal tickets and stickers and "buzzed" Victoria into the ears of his fellow-travellers from the inauguration of the tour until its finish.

Mr. Cuthbert placed several thousand booklets and visited the offices in the various cities where for the last five years they have been placed for distribution.

In Sacramento a luncheon was tendered the party by the citizens. Mr. Cuthbert spoke. In San Francisco, the state board of trade gave a reception and Mr. Cuthbert addressed them on the beauties of Victoria. At Los Angeles, where the members of the chamber of commerce were the hosts, he again dilated upon the beauties of the capital of British Columbia.

"From my observations," said Mr. Cuthbert this morning, "I am certain that Victoria is shortly to become the Los Angeles of Canada. People are talking about it."

Los Angeles, a city of 200,000 people, is practically a tourist resort. Its chief asset is its climate and its geographical position. There are no industries of any size located there, but while Mr. Cuthbert was in the city five new departmental stores were opened. The merchant chiefly relies on the tourist trade. There is a floating population of transients of from 15,000 to 20,000 all the time.

"There is no reason why Victoria should not enjoy the same prosperity," said Mr. Cuthbert. "It will come when we realize that money properly expended on publicity will return us many fold. It's a business proposition."

VALUABLE SAND IN LILLOOET DISTRICT

The Provincial Mineralogist Placed a Quantity on Market at $25 an Ounce.

From time to time there has been discovered in the placer mines of the Cariboo and Lillooet sand containing platinum, which is more valuable than gold of the same weight. A. W. Smith, of Lillooet, brought to the city a small quantity of this crude platinum, which a prospector had recovered from the dirt in washing for gold. The sand was turned over to the provincial mineralogist, W. Fleet Robertson, with a request to put it on the market.

Mr. Robertson did so, and sent the two ounces to where he felt the best results would be obtained. He has received a cheque for $50 for the two ounces or $25 an ounce. This has been turned over to Mr. Smith for the prospector.

The platinum sand, it will be seen from this, is very valuable. Hitherto the difficulty has been in the recovering of it fro mthe dirt.

BANDITS CAPTURED.

Men Who Looted Bank Safe at Ephrata, Wash., Are in Custody

Ephrata, Wash., April 7.—Four men, believed beyond doubt to be the desperate bandits who, despite a rain of bullets from the townspeople, coolly exploded charge after charge of dynamite under the safe of the Ephrata bank on Friday night, blew off the door and escaped into the darkenss, are now on their way to Waterville in the hands of the officers, having been captured about eight miles from Ephrata.

The amount of booty secured will not exceed $80, and has been recovered. All the dynamite used failed to penetrate the inner vault of the safe, where the treasure is kept.

CASTRO'S ILLNESS.

Williamstadt, Curacoa, April 7.—Private dispatches received here say that president Castro has suffered a relapse.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Bodies of Two Men and a Boy Found in Ruins of Cabin.

Tacoma, April 7.—The bodies of three miners have been found in the ruins of a cabin in the Glacier mining basin, 100 miles from Tacoma. The cabin was crushed by an avalanche or a hurricane, and it is believed the miners were killed about the last of December. The party consisted of Ernest Shaller, aged 40, of Buckley, Nels Brown, aged 28, of Seattle, Albert Prestling, a boy aged 15, of Snohomish county.

They went in with a stock of provisions in the fall to work for a mining company. The coroner with men and pack horses have gone to investigate.

FACTORY WORKERS STRIKE.

Ten Thousand Idle—Release of Noted Revolutionist Demanded.

Shuha, Russia, April 7.—Ten thousand factory hands have quit work and demand the release of the noted revolutionist Arsenius, whom the police have arrested.

STEEL MAGNATE'S SUDDEN DEATH

DROPPED DEAD ON STREET IN NEW YORK

Former United States Minister Stanford Newell Passed Away at St. Paul.

New York, April 8.—Theo Buel, president of the Buel Iron Works, of Detroit, president of the Detroit National bank, and also of the firm of Parke Davis & Company, dropped dead on the street near the Waldorf Astoria hotel, of which he had been a guest. Death was due to apoplexy. He was one of a group of steel magnates and multi-millionaires, and was prominent in banking circles in the middle west and in the East. The body will be sent to Detroit for interment.

S. Newell Dead.

St. Paul, Minn., April 7.—Stanford Newell, formerly United States minister to the Netherlands, died at his home early to-day of pleurisy complicated with asthma. He was minister at The Hague from 1897 to 1905.

Soldier and Rector.

Charleston, S. C., April 8.—Rev. John Johnson, D. D., L. LD., rector Emeritus of St. Phillip's church, Major of Engineers in charge at Fort Sumter during the siege of the sixties, author of "The Defence of Fort Sumter" and other historical works, died last night at the age of 78 years. He left a wife and several sons and daughters.

Dr. Sheppard Dead.

Hartford, Conn., April 8.—Dr. Sheppard, medical director of the Connecticut Insurance Company, died at his home here late Saturday night. He was a lecturer at Yale medical school, a member of the advisory board of the Yale Medical Journal and a member of the Connecticut, Hartford and New York Medical societies.

COWICHAN NOTES.

The weather conditions here are poor, rainy and cold. In consequence the land is sodden and vegetation backward; very few of the farmers have any seeds in, and it will be weeks yet before there is any fresh bite for the cattle. What with the scarcity of labor and the backwardness of the season, ranchers are beginning to think that they are to be "up against it" this year.

The labor question is rather a serious one. It is impossible to get a man to work on a ranch except at wages which the average farmer cannot afford to pay, and in many cases it is impossible to get a man to work at all. One prominent farmer here has sold his ranch because he could not do all the work himself and could not afford to hire help at the present rate of wages.

Several ranches have changed hands during the last few weeks, the purchasers in most cases being men from Manitoba and the Northwest provinces.

There is quote a boom in building. The proprietors of the Cowichan Bay hotel are adding a wing of seven rooms to their building. W. Weeks and A. N. Parry are about to erect new residences. R. D. Young has moved a frame house from J. Graham's place to a commanding site above the station.

The B. C. Telephone Co. are putting in lines to Cowichan station and the bay, which will be a great convenience to residents in those districts.

The Vancouver Island Mining & Development Company have put in a diamond drill at their Koksilah property. Jas. Hume is in charge of the drill.

The Cowichan Bay Amateur Dramatic Society gave two very successful performances of a play entitled "A Summer's Day" at Duncans and Chemainus during the present week, and in consequence the funds of the Cowichan Agricultural Society are materially benefitted.

MEXICO WILL APPOINT CONSUL

PREPARING FOR NEW STEAMSHIP SERVICE

Favorable Outlook For Growth of Trade Between Canada and Southern Republic.

(From Monday's Daily.)

To cope with inquiries which will arise with the establishment of the new Canadian-Mexican Pacific Steamship line, the Mexican government has decided to appoint a consul at Vancouver. His duty will be to protect Mexican interests in that city.

The steamer Georgia, which will inaugurate the new service is calling at no intermediate ports since she left Iquique on the 21st ult., and is expected to reach Victoria during the present week. After staying here for a few days, she will leave for Vancouver, where she will commence loading her cargo for the initial trip.

It was stated some time ago that the Victoria Machinery Depot had secured the contract for repairing the vessels of the new fleet. Captain Worsnop, the general manager for the new concern in British Columbia, says that no such contract has been awarded up to the present. When repairs are necessary, the vessels will be docked at Esquimalt, but it is not yet known to what firm the work will be given. The Georgia will not be docked on her arrival here.

The new enterprise will have its headquarters at Victoria, and Captain Worsnop, the general manager, is taking up his residence here. The head office of the local traffic and freight agent, J. H. Greer, will also be in Victoria, with the exception of the time when the vessels are loading and discharging freight at the Terminal City, they will lie at Victoria.

Preparations are proceeding apace for joining up the line with the Atlantic seaboard of Mexico and the Old Country. This will considerably shorten the transit of goods from England to British Columbia, which at present come either via the Horn or the Orient. A fleet of steamers will ply between the Atlantic terminus of the Tehuantepec route and London and Liverpool in the Old Country. A satisfactory arrangement has been entered into between the new steamship line and the inter-oceanic railway, with the result that freight can be carried at a greatly reduced rate. Details of this arrangement have not been made public, but as President Diaz is largely interested in the line it is understood to be commensurate to a subsidy from the government of Mexico.

With the linking up of the two projected steamship lines by the Tehuantepec railroad, goods can be brought to British Columbia from the Old Country in a little over a month's time. By the Blue Funnel liners they take upwards of two months, and by vessels coming via the Horn the time is from four months upwards. In the latter cases it is only sailing vessels that make the journey, and with the inauguration of the new service, their day, as far as this province is concerned, would seem to be doomed.

The new enterprise had many ramifications. It will give the trade of the Old Country with Mexico a much needed impetus. That trade has been on the decrease for some time past and the Old Country has been outrivalled by Germany, sheerly owing to that empire having established steamship lines with Mexico. For British Columbia in particular, and Canada in general, the outlook is of a most optimistic character. With the immense capital by which the new enterprise is backed, it is likely that it will, in the course of time, commence to exploit the coal and lumber resources of the province. It is certain at least that the future years will see a big increase in the trade returns of the Dominion, largely due to the new enterprise.

With the expansion of the enterprise ports of call will be made in Europe, while every port of any importance along the Mexican seaboard will be included in the scehdule of the line. Freight and passenger agents have already been secured. Arrangements for wharf accommodation have been made. Enquiries are flowing in from all over the province and from the far east of the Dominion, as well as from Mexico. Everything is in readiness for the initial voyage of the Georgia, which will take place on approximately the 25th inst.

COAL BARGE MISSING.

Broke Loose From Tug During Storm—Has Ten Men on Board.

Norfolk, Va., April 8.—The naval tug Potomac left the navy yard yesterday to search for the navy coal barge, which, with ten men aboard, broke loose from the tug last Monday. The barge was lost at sea, being last sighted on Thursday. The cruiser St. Louis, which is coming up the coast, may also assist in the search.