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MINING LAW CONFUSION. From reports of cases in court and from comments thereon which appear in the inland newspapers it must be concluded that the mining laws are much in need of clearing up.

"RUINED" BY TARIFF REFORM. January, 1895—Acheson Mills, New Bedford, Mass., wages voluntarily increased nearly 10 per cent.

Rowland Paper Company, wages increased from 10 to 15 per cent. Cotton and Woollen Mills, Webster, Mass., wages advanced ten per cent.

Washington Woollen Mills, wages of nearly 4000 men advanced 5 to 10 per cent. May, 1895—Carnegie Steel Works, wages of all employees in every mill increased 10 per cent.

Bethlehem Iron Works, wages of 2000 men advanced 10 per cent. June, 1895—Illinois Steel Company, Joliet, Ill., an increase of 7 per cent to 7000 men.

Illinois Steel Works, Chicago, Ill., 7000 men's wages increased voluntarily 10 per cent. Pennsylvania Company, Leebanon, Pa., a 10 per cent. increase in wages.

Lackawanna Iron & Steel Co., Scranton, wages of 4000 men increased 10 per cent. Reading Iron Co., wages increased 10 per cent.

Shenango Valley Furnaces, Youngstown, O., two increases of 10 per cent. and over. Bethlehem Iron Works, a second increase of from 5 to 10 per cent. was announced.

Pottery Trust, Trenton, N. J., increase of 10 per cent. and over in wages announced. Has tariff reform hurt the industries of the United States?

C. P. R. RATES AGAIN. Remarks made by Winnipeg papers in regard to the carload of fruit received by the Fraser valley are of interest, both to the fruit-growers and to other people in this province.

ONLY ONE STEP. The proceedings leading to the arrest of Messrs. Prevost and Falding have been characterized by a commendable amount of energy and promptitude, and have so far indicated a desire on the part of the authorities to repair the injury the public interest has suffered.

that no business firm or corporation would allow the custodian of its cash such latitude as was given in the case of these two registrars.

FRASER DYKES AND SURVEYS. The defenders of the provincial government in the matter of the Fraser valley improvement and protection scheme have relied largely on the dyking work now going on and the government guarantee of bonds in connection therewith.

Commercial: While the fruit arrived here in good condition, and sold well, Mr. Catherwood expressed some disappointment as to the prices realized.

Free Press: In another respect the pioneer shipment of fruit from the western province was somewhat unfortunate. In order to make fast time the fruit was sent at the expense of an express rate.

Hamilton Times: Speaking of the price of wheat during the week, potatoes are now plentiful and are selling lower.

Local markets show few if any changes this week. Potatoes are now plentiful and are selling lower.

There is no change in general trade conditions. Collections in the interior are reported to be improving. Retail prices are below:

Ogilvie's Hungarian Flour, 5 to 5 25. Lake of the Woods, 13 to 15. Rainer, 14 to 15.

Superior, 14 to 15. Lemons (California), 35 to 40. Bananas, 25 to 30.

Pineapples, 25 to 30. Apples, Island, 3 to 4. Grapes, 2 to 3.

Peaches, per lb, 10 to 15. Plums, Island, 12 to 15. Apples, 12 to 15.

Butter, Island, 20 to 25. Eggs, Manitoba, 12 to 15. Butter, Delta Creamery, per lb, 20.

Hams, American, per lb, 14 to 17. Bacon, Canadian, 12 to 15. Bacon, Long clear, per lb, 12.

Shoehorn, 10 to 12. Lead, 15 to 20. Meats—Beef, per lb, 7 to 12 1/2.

Veal, 10 to 15. Pork, 10 to 12. Spring Lamb, per lb, 10 to 12 1/2.

Pork, fresh, per lb, 10 to 12 1/2. Turkey, per lb, 10 to 12.

low fruit to become too ripe before shipping it. The Manitoba market is certainly worth striving for, and British Columbia fruit growers and dealers are sharp enough to know that care and the adoption of good methods in packing would be a small price to pay for the leading place therein.

What the Casual Traveller May See on the Road From Nanaimo to Victoria. The Settlements and Their Distinctive Features—Thriving Farmers.

ALONG THE ISLAND WAY. The policy of retaining the support of the intelligent electors of the agricultural districts between the two cities of the island by the expenditure of Government appropriations where most effective politically, has been altogether unbeneficial.

Twenty-one miles south of Nanaimo is Chemainus, at present almost deserted, owing to the closing of the mills which in the past have given employment to nearly 200 men.

Situated on the farm of Major Murrer, the present member of the legislature, and nine miles from Chemainus, is Somenos. There is a large general store owned by G. T. Corfield, who has also another store at Corfield, on Cowichan bay.

At Shawanigan lake the agricultural lands practically cease. The wagon road passing through a rough mountainous country, runs along the shores of Sooke lake, a large sheet of water in which there are small but in sufficient numbers to provide good sport.

LOCAL NEWS. Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Monday's Daily. N. Fayet, the victim of the shooting accident on the West Coast, will lose his arm. He is reported to be in a very serious condition.

The U. S. lighthouse tender Columbine, Capt. Richardson, arrived in port on Saturday afternoon. She is making one of her regular cruises through the straits, Sound, and archipelago, looking after the U. S. lighthouses.

The forty-sixth drawing of the Victoria Building Society took place on Saturday evening, and was conducted by J. Taylor, M. McGregor, and Alexander Stewart. The appropriation of \$2000 was won by Mrs. E. W. Well, holder of shares 65 B. and C.

Johnnie, an Indian arrested for being drunk, was fined \$5 or 10 days in police court this morning. Wm. Atkinson was similarly treated.

The Times staff to-day, in a fitting manner, pledged health and happiness to Mr. Harry Dallas Helmecken and his bride, whom he brought home last week. The occasion was brought about by the father of the bridegroom, Hon. Dr. J. S. Helmecken, whose name in this province is a synonym for wholesome hospitality.

H. M. S. Hyacinth, Capt. May, steamed out of Esquimalt this afternoon shortly after 1 o'clock and commenced her long journey to England. She will go first to San Francisco and then in succession to Monterey, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Acapulco and Calico.

The American bark Enoch Talbot was towed from Port Angeles to Esquimalt by the American tug Rainier this morning. Her captain desired to either dock or go on the ways, but it was impossible to do either.

Mr. Rippey's infant son was buried to-day at 2:30 p.m. from the residence, Esquimalt road, Rev. Mr. Barber officiating.

The funeral of Mr. Finland's infant son took place yesterday at 9 a.m. from the residence, Richmond road. Rev. Father Nicolay officiated at the church and cemetery.

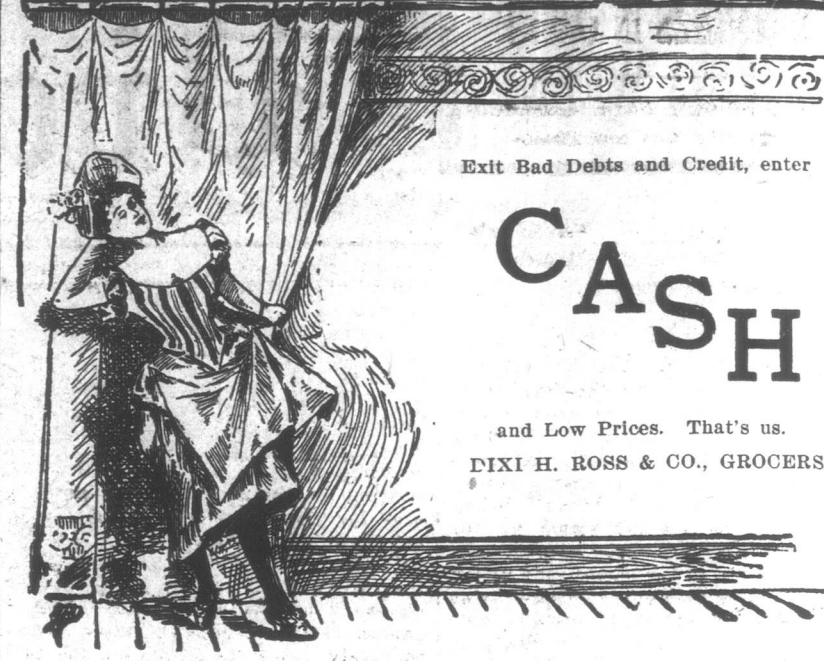
The Dominion government steamer Quadra, Captain Walbran, returned on Saturday evening from a visit to the West Coast light stations. Captain Gaudin, agent of the marine and fisheries department, went down on her to-morrow he visits Prevost Island.

Miss Bessie Sanburn was given into the custody of Police Constable Mont this afternoon by Mrs. Thain, who lives near the corner of Kane and Douglas streets, on the charge of stealing a jacket. She was locked up and will be heard to-morrow. The additional charge of destroying property may be laid against her.

The jury empanelled by Coroner Crompton to enquire into the shooting accident whereby Thos. Williams lost his life on Friday last, this morning brought in the following verdict: "We find that the deceased Thos. Williams, came to his death by an accidental gun shot in the hands of William Bontray, which we consider was purely accidental." It is signed by W. J. McKeon, foreman, and the members of the jury.

The Admiralty have given instructions to bring forward H. M. S. Icarus now in the Medway fleet reserve at Chatham, for commissioning. She is to relieve H. M. S. Nymph, whose period of service expires in October. H. M. S. Icarus is a screw sloop of 8 guns, 900 tons and 1230 horse power. She was formerly on this station and went home in 1890, since which time she has been thoroughly overhauled. She has been lying in the fleet reserve ever since her overhauling was completed.

Charles Reinhart, who has just entered on a two months' term of imprisonment for stealing a ring from Mr. Bachchuck's shop on Store street, will be brought in from the Provincial jail tomorrow for trial for a more serious theft. A week ago he was employed about the premises at 48 Chatham street to do some work and during the absence of the occupants a lady's dress, a silk waist, some silver knives and forks, a pair of shoes and some other articles were stolen. When they were missed the case was reported to the police and Constable Robert Walker found nine of the knives, four of the forks and the wearing apparel in a pawn shop where Reinhart had disposed of them. The goods were sold in a barefaced way. Reinhart giving his own name to the broker. He will very likely be tried summarily again by Magistrate Macrae. Reinhart is said to be wanted for something or other at one of the Sound cities, where he was employed as water-broker. He will very likely be tried before his release, look into that return of the case.



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