

Sale of E. & N. Not Declared Off

Negotiations are still proceeding—transfer will be deferred. Speculation indulged in with little knowledge of material facts.

Whether or not the Esquimaux & Nanaimo railway will cease to exist as an independent line and become the E. & N. division of the C. P. R. on Saturday next, or possibly a little later, is still an open question.

Yesterday the first indication of a possible high price for the railway was given by the sale of the E. & N. stock.

The common stock is to a large extent the total of public contributions to the subject—was that the possibility of the sale of the E. & N. railway grant becoming available when alienated from the railway itself.

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way, and it is difficult to see wherein the federal legislators could so construe it. It is in fact the real estate copy of a clause in the agreement between the two companies, and not intended in any way to affect the rights of the province, which are left as they were before, and this view is stated, is held by the Minister of Justice and other eminent legal authorities.

Whether the provincial House will interpret it as a duty, or in consonance with the wish of the public, to heavily penalize it were technically possible a transaction that is everywhere admitted as greatly for the benefit of the island and its development, is still another question.

Indignation and Headache. Mr. Duncan McPherson, content, Alta., writes: "I was for many years troubled with indigestion and headache, and decided to try the many remedies used."

THE UNLEASHED KESTREL. Vancouver, March 28.—(Special.)—The Dominion gunboat Kestrel starts from here Wednesday for the north, it is said, on a special trip to look for American fishing poachers.

Bomb For Warsaw's Chief Of Police. Long Threatened Attempt on the Hated Official Made at Last.

Owing to Bad Aim of Assailant Von Nolken Escapes With His Life.

Warsaw, March 27.—Baron Von Nolken, chief of police of Warsaw, who was injured by the explosion of a bomb yesterday, says his life to the bad aim of his assailant, who threw the bomb behind instead of underneath the carriage.

To buy, acquire, own, sell and transfer franchises for the building and operation of telephone, telegraph or electric wires, or for the laying of water pipes, the construction and operation of railroads, steamboats or other means of transportation, and all other franchises in anywise appertaining to the business of the Corporation.

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NEW SCHOOL REFUSED. Nelson, B. C., March 28.—The bylaw submitted to the ratepayers of this city by the board of school trustees asking for \$40,000 for the erection of a new public school building, was turned down by the citizens today, the vote being: For the bylaw, 10; against, 151.

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Empress Japan Is Due Today

White Liner Expected From the Far East—Rush of Freight to Japan.

Tees Brings News of Finding of Boat of Lightkeeper off Lawyer Island.

Winnipeg, Man., March 28.—Fire broke out at midnight in the big pork packing factory of J. Y. Griffin & Co., Louis Bridge. The entire factory and its contents were destroyed.

AN OLD, OLD STORY. Kerensky, as a Fire Lighter, Produces Disastrous Results.

TALKS OF MEXICO. Nine Million Dollar Opera House, but no Good Hotel.

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THE GEORGIAN. Salvage Operations Proceeding at Scene of Wreck of Ferry Barge.

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Unique Will On Birch Bark

Strange Testament of Prospector Who Died Near Headwaters of Stewart River.

Scrawled Statement to Loved Ones on Bark in the Far North.

On a piece of birch bark, by the light of a tiny oil lamp, Robert McNeill, who had down his life in the quest for riches, scrawled a last message to his loved ones and begged them to know the wealth that was his. McNeill's death came while he was prospecting near the headwaters of the Stewart river.

Viola and Freda Finn, of Spokane, Wn., daughters of the deceased estate of McNeill, are the ones to whom the dying man left his property. They were notified by long distance telephone yesterday by the attorney at law, J. H. Rose, the man who journeyed from the grave of their uncle, who died of McNeill and of the existence of the will. Viola Finn is now the wife of James Barker.

The Birch bark statement is in the hands of William Rice, one of the prospectors claiming that the will was scrawled by McNeill. It consists of a scrawled statement to his loved ones, which he scrawled on a piece of birch bark, and which he proved to be worth many thousands of dollars.

About two months ago McNeill, William Rice and Donald McCollogh, Dawson for the headwaters of the Stewart river, had begun work on a claim which had been abandoned by McNeill. His condition became so bad that his companions attempted to carry him to a settlement about seventy miles down the river. But the weather was extremely cold and there was no chance of success.

"I met the party camped in the snow, it was only a few hours before McNeill died. I had met him before, and he asked me to hunt up his niece. We had no money, so the sick man wrote out his will on a piece of bark and we each signed it as witnesses."

McNeill died that night and we buried him on the snow. I came to Dawson and Rice and McCollogh and they took their claims."

Rice departed yesterday for Portland for a brief visit. He will return to Seattle in a few weeks. While in Seattle he was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Delpha, of 417 1/2 Fifth avenue.

HINTS FOR THE FRONT LADY. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

CANCER. R. D. Evans, discoverer of the Famous Cancer Cure, desires anyone suffering with cancer to write him—his treatment will cure any cancer, external or internal.

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