LOCAL NEWS.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Victoria Clearing House.—The total clearings for the week ending June 9, 1903 amounted to $623,177.

Bush Fires.—A serious bush fire is reported from Nanaimo lakes. Smaller ones appear to be burning at other points. There is little doubt but that these owe their origin to careless campers and hunters.

Drake-Schenek.—Yesterday morning at the Dominion hotel, Rev. J. P. Hicks united in marriage Sidney Drake and Harriett M. Schenek, both of Seattle. The honeymoon is being spent in Victoria.

Death's Hand—The steamer Charmer last night brought the remains of Mary Elizabeth Tierney of Vancouver, daughter of Catherine, and the late William Tierney, who died at the Terminal City yesterday morning at the age of 38. The late Miss Tierney, who was a sister of Mrs. Sheasgreen of this city, will be buried this morning at 8 a. m.

Short of Supplies.—Advices received from Atlin state that the present condition of the lake prevents its being crossed either by trail or by boat, and the people there are therefore shut in without possibility of stores being brought to them, until navigation opens. Stores are reported rather low, and a great part of the 1,500 people are dependent in the meantime upon game killed for food.

Stag Party.—Last evening about 20 "choice spirits" of the local social world took the 6 o'clock train for the Strathcona, to spend a pleasant outing at the lake and incidentally to participate in a game of progressive whist and other things besides. Among the party were R. Brett, Capt. Gibson, J. and A. Turner, G. L. Courtney, D. Spencer, jr., R. Ker. J. B. Rickaby, W. Lang, K. Burns, H. Abbott and E. E. Blackwood.

Timber in Demand.—One hundred and twenty-one licenses to cut timber on government land were issued during the month of May, 66 of them being renewals. These licenses represent a revenue to the government of $12,100. During the past week eleven licenses were applied for. Thus, in spite of the fact that all timber limits must be surveyed before they are staked, there is no diminution, but an actual increase in the demand for licenses.

Unwelcome Guests.—Quite a number of Victorians have during the past day or two expressed keen disapproval at the presence in the city of a number of preachers of the Mormon faith, who daily hold forth on the street corners, spreading doctrines of a sort few in the city would like to see generally followed. In a number of other cities in Canada permission has been refused street preachers opportunity to disseminate dangerous suggestions.

Children's Exhibits.—School Board officials and the secretary of the Agricultural Association are to confer shortly on the question as to how best allot the prizes to be offered at the fall fair for children's exhibits. The management of the fair intend among other prizes to include one for the best collection of flowers grown from seeds which were given the school children through the thoughtfulness and generosity of the Brackman-Ker Milling Co.

Touring the World.—Henry J. Hayward of Duncans, and father of W. H. Hayward, M.P.P. for Esquimalt, who has been visiting the latter, has left on his tour, stopping a few days at Banff. Mr. Hayward is making a tour of the world. He left Dover on March 1 last, and traveled by way of the Mediterranean to India, spending some time there with one of his sons, who controls a coffee plantation at Mysore. He crossed the Pacific on the last Empress liner.

Victoria West School.—City Solicitor J. M. Bradburn has given his opinion to the City Council that a petition is absolutely necessary under the act before a bylaw can be prepared by the City Council aiming at the erection of a new school house in Victoria West. It will thus be necessary for further preliminary work on the part of the residents of the western suburb before they can secure the desired building. It is anticipated that all formalities will be complied with shortly and the bylaw submitted to the ratepayers.

Robertson-Rogers. — Further particulars are at hand of the nuptials at Peterboro, Ontario, of Miss Helen MacGregor Rogers, daughter of Lt.-Col. H. C. Rogers, of Peterboro, to Mr. Harold Bruce Robertson, barrister, of Victoria, son of the late Hon. Alexander Rocke Robertson. The wedding was solemnized at St. Joseph's hospital, Peterboro. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. C. Robertson, rector of St. John's church. Mr. Robertson was moved to the hospital a couple of days previously as a result of a slight attack of diphtheria, from which he is speedily recovering.

Rich Bulkley Valley.—Twenty-seven persons arrived by the steamer Danube who attempted to get into the Bulkley Valley by way of Essington. They were obliged to give it up. A number, however, have gone in by way of Ashcroft. A number of people are going in from Vancouver, but they are afraid that in the rush that is now taking place, a rich free quartz which was located by local men, will be discovered and staked and recorded. One vein discovered was fully 13 feet wide. The rock was free milling, and the gold was visible to the naked eye. Specimens of this rock were brought down that are speckled with the previous yellow metal.

Vancouver or Victoria.—A Cloverdale correspondent writes as follows under date of June 10: "A large number of farmers and settlers in this vicinity, including the officials of the British Columbia Settlers' Association, are starting a vigorous campaign against the proposed route of the section of the Coast-Kootenay railway which the company has signified its intention of building from Abbotsford direct to Port Kells on the Fraser river, thence down the river bank and over the Westminster bridge to Vancouver. The settlers protest that the proper course of the line is from Abbotsford to Cloverdale, and from there to Port Guichon and Victoria." Construction has already commenced on the line to run to Vancouver.

Farmers' Institutes.—The American Association of Farmers' Institute Workers, is to hold its eighth annual meeting in the Parliament buildings, Toronto, from the 23rd to 26th inst. Mr. G. C. Creelman in inviting the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, says: "This is an international association, and includes all Canada as well as the United States. Your province has never been represented at one of these meetings, and it is desirable now that you are doing a good deal of work along this line, that you should be present and take part in the discussions. Apart from this, I am sure you would profit by meeting a number of prominent institute workers from both countries. Indications point to the greatest meeting in the history of the association, and I trust you will make arrangements to attend." The programme includes addresses from all the principal institute officers in the United States and Canada, as well as from the Hon. G. W. Ross, Premier of Ontario; the Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture of Ontario; Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of Ontario, and other public men.

Noted Visitor.—Just at present Victoria is entertaining a very noted visitor in the person of John Kirk, secretary of the Ragged School Union and Shaftesbury Society of London, England. He paid a visit yesterday to the local branch of the Y. M. C. A., in whose work he manifested the keenest interest. Mr. Kirk has for years been engaged in philanthropic work of this character. On his present visit to Canada he is taking occasion to look into the conditions prevailing with respect to boys being sent out to work on farms. Mr. Kirk is accompanied by his wife and daughter. They will be guests at the Dominion hotel for a few days.

The Dredger.—As will have been noted from the text of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy's telegram to the Mayor re the hotel project, the success of the latter depends to a very large extent upon the ability of the city to make arrangements with the government for the early filling-in of the James Bay flats. The New Westminster Board of Trade has got wind of the fact that the dredge King Edward may be sent to Victoria, and has registered a kick in consequence. The News-Advertiser prints the following in its report of the proceedings of the last meeting of the New Westminster Board of Trade: "Regarding the report that the King Edward dredge is going to Victoria on July 1, the secretary reported having communicated with Mr. Morrison, M.P., urging that the dredge be kept in the river." In connection with this matter, it is to be remembered that it was officially sated a short time ago at Ottawa that the dredge would make its reappearance in Victoria harbor about July 1. But New Westminster intends upsetting that arrangement.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Strawberry Combine.—An agreement has been reached between the strawberry growers of Vancouver Island and the Mainland not to sell the berries below $2 a crate this season.

Spying Land.—S. Christopherson, J. Svembjornsen and Robert Miller are Manitoba farmers, who are visiting this province with a view of securing desirable localities for agricultural purposes.

Dangerously Ill.—Much regret was expressed yesterday at the intelligence that Fred. Peters, K. C., was critically ill at St. Joseph's hospital. He has been ailing for some time, and is reported to be very low.

The Grim Reaper.—The death occurred yesterday of John Green, formerly a resident of Lulu Island and latterly of Quatsino. He was a native of England, aged 73 years. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company and later from Christ Church cathedral.

An Earthquake.—A severe shock of earthquake was experienced in the Yukon country on Wednesday last. At White Horse the disturbance caused great excitement, the buildings shaking in a most terrifying manner. The "quake" was felt perhaps most severely at Skagway, which seems to be the centre for Northern seismic rumblings.

Funeral of Miss Tiernay.—Yesterday morning the remains of Miss Tiernay, of Vancouver, were interred in Ross Bay cemetery. The Right Rev. Archbishop Orth conducted the services, assisted by Father Laterme, at the Roman Catholic cathedral. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. F. J. Schl, E. F. Radiger, W. O'Leary, W. U. Runnalls, H. B. McDowell and M. Sweeney.

Executive Meets.—The executive council had a meeting last evening at the legislative buildings, the meeting, it being understood, being in connection with the appointments to be made for the preparation of the voters' lists for the approaching general elections. The Hon. Premier stated last evening that work on the lists would be expedited as much as possible after the announcement of the dissolution next week.

Dolores Next Tuesday.—The appearance of Mlle. Dolores at the Victoria theatre next Tuesday evening will be a treat which few lovers of music will be inclined to miss. Her marvelous voice with its perfect vocalization, the great range and volume of her dramatic contralto, her charm of manner and stage presence all unite to cause a perfect furore of enthusiasm among her audiences. Mlle. Dolores is equally at home in emotional, descriptive, passionate and "ornamental" music.

Fraser Rising Fast.—Reports received by Mr. Reed at Victoria Meteorological office last evening, indicate that the Fraser river is reaching the danger point. At Dresnel the water had risen four inches since 8 a. m., and at 5 p. m. was still rising. At Kamloops, at 4:30 p. m., the river had risen three inches since 10 o'clock; Yale reports an elevation of 10 inches since the morning previous; and Chilliwack sends word that the river rose three inches in the 24 hours ending 7 a. m.—the guage reading only 4.80 below the high water mark of 1894. A further rise is expected today.

In Mother Earth.—There was a very large attendance of sympathizing friends and many beautiful floral tributes at the funeral of the late Mrs. Manie Amelie Aikman, which took place yesterday morning from the family residence, Gorge road, and later at the Roman Catholic church. Services were conducted by Rev. Father Laterme, assisted by Rev. Father Collin. The following acted as pallbearers: H. D Helmcken, M.P.P., T. Lubbe, Col. Wolfenden, W. S. Gore, Dr. I. W. Powell and A. E. McPhillips, M.P.P.

Advice to Miners.—The Nanaimo Free Press urges the coal miners on Vancouver Island to break loose from the domination of the Western Federation and refuse to support the decision of the executive that hereafter a strike may be ordered without reference to the local unions. It says: "As the leaders in question boldly proclaim themselves politicians first and union men afterwards, it may be assumed that should they deem it desirable to influence the results of an election at any time, strikes could be ordered for this purpose, a possibility which, to put it bluntly, the miners of the West will be very foolish if they do not forestall by voting down the reactionary proposition, which, if the despatches are correct, is to be submitted to them."

Point Ellice Bridge.—While work is proceeding by the city on the substructure for the new Point Ellice bridge, it cannot be said that progress is being made as rapidly as the general public would wish. The Victoria Machinery Depot Company, who have the contract for erecting the bridge proper, have had difficulty in getting orders for material filled promptly in the East. The company applied to the council for an extension of time in carrying out the terms of the contract, but extension was refused. It is stipulated that the bridge must be open for traffic in October next; but in view of the delays which have occurred it is not supposed that this agreement can be lived up to. The city employees have a couple of the piers completed, and at an early date will have finished the sub-structure. The necessity for the new bridge is very pressing, as traffic to Esquimalt is heavy during the summer. As matters are at present, the tramway company can only operate small cars over the bridge, and this is at times an inconvenience to patrons of the service.

After Many Years.—R. H. Bullen, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Emily Bullen, arrived at this city on Wednesday from Liverpool, on a visit to his brother, Jonathan Bullen, whom he has not seen for 54 years. Mr. Bullen is one of the 130 representatives of the City Council of the British port, and a member of other public boards, and is the senior member of the firm of Bullen Bros. & Son, builders and contractors.

Immigration Law.—W. H. Ellis, provincial inspector under the Immigration Act, is on the Mainland, arranging for the strict enforcement of the immigration law against Japanese. An assistant agent and provincial policeman under Colin Campbell, has been appointed for Vancouver, so that Officer Campbell may be enabled to more effectively carry on the work. Officer Calbeck has been appointed assistant deputy inspector for New Westminster district, his duties being onerous, as he has to watch a large portion of the border.

Mrs. Goward Dead.—General regret will be expressed at the announcement of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Goward, wife of Henry Goward, the librarian, which occurred last evening at the family residence, "Rockwood," St. Charles street. Deceased, who was in her 63rd year, was a daughter of the late Rev. Henry Toller, of Market Harborough, England. A large family is left to mourn her passing away—three daughters, two of whom reside here and one in England, and three sons—A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Co.; H. A. Goward, connected with the offices of the same company, and Bernard G. Goward, law student with McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Proposed Race Meet.—A general meeting of all members of the Victoria Driving Club and others interested will be held at the Tourist Association rooms tomorrow, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of considering the advisability of holding a race meeting on July 4.

Conservative Rally.—All Liberal-Conservatives are cordially invited and earnestly requested to attend the meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association to be held on Thursday next, at 8 p. m., in the Labor Hall, Douglas street. Business, organization and election of officers.

Selected Candidate.—At a Liberal convention held at Sidney on Friday, T. N. Paterson, M. P. P., was chosen to contest the Islands constituency in the Liberal interests. No other nominations were made. Mr. Paterson has sat in the legislature for one session, having been the successful candidate in the by-election of 1902, the seat being rendered vacant by the death of Speaker Booth.

Indian Authority.—A guest in the city at the present time is Rev. Father Morice, O. M. I., Fort St. James, Stewart lake, who is collecting data for the publication of another work. Father Morice is a great authority on the Dene Indians, and has written a number of books. He owns a printing plant, and turns out a fine line of work. He will be in the city for a few days gathering material for his new work.

Dissolution on Tuesday.—Formal dissolution of the provincial legislature, preparatory to an appeal to the electorate, takes place the day after tomorrow. The required proclamation will appear in a special issue of the Official Gazette. It is likely that the elections will be brought on not later than October. In Cassiar and Atlin some difficulty will be encountered in speedy preparation of the voters' lists, but it is thought that they can be covered at this season of the year in five or six weeks.

Postcard on Tour.—Thos. Booz yesterday received in the mails a postcard which is traveling on a novel trip. It is being sent round the world by Miss Van Noorden, of Capetown, South Africa. It started from Capetown on May 13, and from there went to the Old Country via the West African Coast route. From Liverpool it was sent to New York, and crossed the continent to Victoria. Mr. Booz will forward it to Colombo, Ceylon, from whence it will be mailed back to Capetown, having made the circuit of the globe.

Angeles Railway.—C. C. Young, a capitalist of Boston, who is one of the promoters of the Port Angeles Eastern Railway, a line surveyed from Port Angeles to Olympia, is in Seattle. In an interview Mr. Young said: "I am out here on matters connected with the building of the Port Angeles-Eastern road. At this time it is not possible for me to say what it is the intention to do. On Wednesday next some of my associates will arrive here from the East, and after that there may be something to talk about. At the present time there is nothing."

Home-Made Automobile—T. M. Brayshaw, who has just completed the first automobile ever manufactured in British Columbia, intends to give the vehicle a trial run over Victoria's streets this afternoon. The machine will be the largest ever seen in this city. It will accommodate eight people. With an eight horse-power engine, the machine will be capable of high speed, and altogether will be an attractive looking conveyance. The owner and maker is the first British Columbian, so far as known, to manufacture an automobile. The machine is finished in first class style, and reflects credit on the builder.

Visiting Old Home.—Among the visitors to Victoria at the present time is Dr. W. J. Quinlan, for a long time a resident of Victoria, but now located in San Francisco. The doctor notes many improvements in the appearance of Victoria, for which he cherishes a warm regard; and he is particularly interested in the announcement that the city is shortly to have a first class modern tourist hotel erected by the C. P. R. He says the news that such an enterprise is in contemplation has created the liveliest interest all over the Coast; and he expresses the hope that Victorians will vote the desired concessions to the company with unanimous voice. In his opinion the consummation of the project "will be the making of Victoria."

Appointed to Kimberley.—The Rev. Stephen Wright, Wesleyan minister, of Ipswich, Queensland, has been appointed to Kimberley, South Africa. For a number of years Mr. Wright has labored in the New South Wales and Queensland conferences. Owing to the indifferent state of Mrs. Wright's health, a change of climate has been advised. Mr. Wright applied for admission into the South African Wesleyan Methodist church, and received a cablegram advising him of his appointment to Kimberley. He says: "Our church in South Africa holds a very distinguished place, and the future will be very great. I was surprised at the cordiality with which some of the South African ministers supported my application." Rev. John H. Wright of Lillooet, and Rev. T. H. Wright of Sidney, B. C., are Mr. Wright's brothers.

Tyee Smelter.—After a most successful run of over three months, during which time the Tyee smelter has not stopped, it will close down on Monday to clean boilers, water jackets and generally overhaul the machinery, and allow the ore on the roast piles to accumulate for another and longer run. This stoppage is caused by the fact that the smelter has smelted more ore than was estimated by the management. A second cage has been installed at the mine, so that the ore shipments from the mine in future will be fully up to the capacity of the smelter. It is understood that the smelter company have signed a contract with the lessee of the Van Anda mine for their entire product, and that shipments of this ore will be commenced within two or three weeks.

The Mothers Need a Spring Restorative.

To Tone Up the System After the Trying Indoor Life of Winter—To Enrich and Purify the Blood—To Revitalize the Nerves and to Give Strength to the Body.

Many mothers find themselves in a run-down condition in the spring, and it is little wonder when you think of how they are usually confined to indoor life during the winter, and not infrequently have children or grown persons to nurse through long spells of sickness.

Irritability, sleeplessness, nervousness, tired, languid feelings, headaches, backaches, dizzy spells, discouragement and despondency are among the annoying symptoms. Later developments are nervous prostration, paralysis or some form of weakness or irregularities which bring endless troubles.

MRS. PEACOCK AND BABY.

Mrs. Thomas Peacock, 23 Hiawatha street, St. Thomas, Ont., and whose husband is conductor on the Wabash Railway, states:—

"I was quite run down in health, was very nervous, did not sleep well and had frequent dizzy spells. Believing this to be the result of an exhausted nervous system, I began using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and can say that this medicine did me a world of good. It entirely freed me of the symptoms stated above, built up my health generally so that to-day I feel that I am quite well again."

Mrs. Symons, 42 St. Clair street, Belleville, Ont., states:—

"Some weeks ago I began a course of treatment with Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and found it a very satisfactory medicine. I was formerly troubled with nervous exhaustion and a weak, fluttering heart. Whenever my heart bothered me I would have spells of weakness and dizziness, which were very distressing. By means of this treatment my nerves have become strong and healthy, and the action of my heart seems to be regular. I can recommend Dr. Chase's Nerve Food as an excellent medicine."

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food

Because of its marvellous blood-building qualities and excellent revitalizing influence on the nervous system this great food cure is the most satisfactory treatment for a run-down condition of the system that science has ever devised. By noting your increase in weight while using it you can prove for a certainty that new, firm flesh and tissue are being added to the body.

50 cents a box, 6 boxes for $2.50; at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.
To protect you against imitations the portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous receipt book author, are on every box of his remedies.

☞We will forfeit $500.00 if these testimonials are not genuine.

MARINE NEWS.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Steamer Ajax, of the Ocean SS. Co., from Liverpool via the Orient, arrived at the Ocean Docks last night, after a good passage. Her last port of call was Muroran, where she loaded 1,500 tons of coal for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, which will be discharged at Vancouver, together with 2,650 tons of rails and general cargo for the Terminal City. The steamer has 600 tons of cargo for this port, and it is likely that some of the rail cargo consigned to Vancouver—a shipment for the Victoria Lumber Company for a short line railway—will also be landed here. For Esquimalt the steamer has 112 tons of naval stores. She had an uneventful passage across the Pacific. She was delayed for 12 hours off the Cape owing to fog.

FOR THE NORTH.

Steamer Danube sailed last night for Naas and way ports of the northern British Columbia coast, and steamer Princess May sailed for Skagway. The Princess May is carrying a large amount of groceries and general supplies shipped by local wholesalers for Yukon points, and the Danube has about 100 tons of groceries and supplies consigned by local dealers to the canneries and settlements of the northern coast. Both steamers will load further shipments of freight at Vancouver today. The Princess May had a large number of passengers. Included among them was J. A. Thomson, manager of the Hudson's Bay Company, who will leave the C. P. R. steamer at Wrangel and embark there on the sternwheeler Mount Royal, of the Hudson's Bay Company, which is plying on the Stikine river. Mr. Thomson is bound on a tour of inspection to the Northern ports of the company. Other passengers who went North on the steamer were: E. B. Shaw, C. J. Sellander, Mrs. Sellander, J. A. Fraser, H. R. Ella, Dr. Reagan, Mrs. Reagan, Mr. Grime, F. Gasson, T. H. Jones, Mr. Robinson and wife, M. Leiser, Mrs. Anderson and T. J. Jones.

CUT RATES.

K. J. Burns, the local agent of the Great Northern railway and Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, has been advised of the cut rates which have been made for June shipments of flour and wheat. A cut of two dollars per ton has been made for flour and one dollar a ton for wheat. The rate has been cut from five to three dollars on flour and from six to five dollars on wheat. This cut is the result of the reductions made by the liners of the China Commercial Company, who on their voyages back to Hongkong from Mazatlan called at San Francisco and took cargo for whatever they could get, cutting the established tariffs on all lines. As a result, the Pacific Mail SS. Co. and Toyo Kisen Kaisha and other lines plying out of San Francisco cut their rates, and then the rate war was carried to the Portland and Puget Sound and British Columbia Oriental lines, and on all vessels plying from this coast the cut rates are now in force. How long the rate war will continue none can say.

THE MONTH'S SHIPPING.

The monthly freight and shipping report of R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., for May, just issued, says: "The spot grain freight market is extremely dull, last year's crop being practically cleaned up; the rate for new crop leading also shows a decided weakening tendency, owing partly to less favorable crop conditions, and partly to the increasing tonnage list heading to this coast, mostly with Australian coals to cover shortage from British Columbia mines caused by labor troubles. The lumber freight market for the past month has been active, and our list of engagements is greater than for some time past. Rates remain steady, except an increase of 5s. in the South African voyage.

"We quote freights as follows: Grain—San Francisco to Cork, f.o., 18s. 6d. to 19s. 6d.; Portland to Cork, f.o., 22s. 6d.; Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, 20s. Lumber—British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 32s. 6d. to 36s. 3d.; Melbourne or Adelaide, 40s.; Port Pirie, 37s. 6d. to 38s. 9d.; Fremantle, 47s. 6d. to 50s.; Shanghai, 37s. 6d. to 40s.; Kinchau, 40s.; Taku, 40s. to 42s. 6d.; Vladivostock, 40s.; West Coast, S. A., 32s. 6d. to 35s.; South Africa, 57s. 6d. to 61s. 3d.; U. K. or Continent, 50s."

(From Saturday's Daily.)

A Dawson despatch received yesterday morning by the Pacific Coast SS. Co. of this city gives the welcome news that the Yukon river is now open from White Horse to Dawson and navigation has commenced in earnest. Much freight has been accumulating at White Horse, the sheds there being well filled. Most of the icein Lake Lebarge, which was the only way still ice-blocked, wasc broken on Thursday morning, and it was expected that steamers would be able to leave White Horse that night for Dawson, but it was not until yesterday morning that the sternwheelers were able to get away, and then the vessels had to fight their way through much float ice. The steamers were thronged, for over 400 people inbound to Dawson ere awaiting the opening of navigation at White Horse. It is expected that there will be heavy passenger lists on the downward steamers, for the up-river sternwheelers were crowded when they left Dawson, and several are now about due at White Horse.

When the ice on Lake Lebarge broke on Thursday it caused considerable damage. One hundred feet of the big Canadian government jetty head at Lebarge has been washed away. The sands that accumulate filled the channel the jetty attempted to make. An engineer says the jetty is practically a failure. The first mile and a half cost $175,000. Steamers have taken the old channel. It is doubtful if the water will be deep enough for the entire season.

The opening of Lake Lebarge will be hailed with great satisfaction by the Dawson merchants, for the markets of the Klondike capital are more reduced than at any time since 1898. Staple lines are nearly all exhausted. A splendid commentary on the thrift of the people is shown in the fact that at many distant creeks they are refusing to buy goods, the prices being extreme. Butter has been at $1 per pound wholesale. Relief is expected next week. There is no suffering, but trade is stifled awaiting cheaper prices and new goods.

A company has been formed to acquire the British ship Kinross, which is well known at this port, having, in company with the Antiope, been engaged for some years in carrying coal between Ladysmith and other Island mines and Honolulu. The B. C. Gazette of this week gives notice of the incorporation of the "Ship Kinross Co., Limited," as a limited company, with a capital of $41,800, divided into 64 shares of $700 each. To purchase or otherwise acquire the ship Kinross, now registered at the port of Liverpool, together with all her boats, furniture, apparel and other requisite equipment.

FOR PRINCESS BEATRICE.

The steamer Ajax, now at the Ocean Docks, discharging cargo, brought the machinery for the new C. P. R. steamer Princess Beatrice, which is being built at Esquimalt by the Bullens. Several smaller shipments, including the propeller, shafting, etc., arrived recently by the steamer Keemun of the China Mutual line, but the main portion of the engines, including the cylinders, crank shafts, bed-plates, in fact the whole machinery built by a well known firm of engine-builders at Paisley, on the Clyde, are now being discharged at the Ocean Docks on to scows. The engines will be put in the hull now being built at Esquimalt as soon as possible, and it is expected that the vessel will be launched before many weeks have passed. Several of the 99 packages of machinery, comprising the engines of the new C. P. R. steamer, were quite heavy lifts, two being 16 tons in the slings. The heavy pieces were, however, discharged without difficulty by the Victoria and Vancouver Stevedoring Co.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Steamer Riojun Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line arrived from the Sound yesterday morning, and sailed yesterday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. with a cargo of over 5,000 tons of freight on board. The cotton shipments were light, but the flour shipments were very heavy. As was noted a few days ago, a cut of $2 a ton has been made in consequence of a recently started rate war, on flour, and as a result the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line will earn $8,400 less for freights on this voyage. There was 4,200 tons of freight, which had it been shipped a week or two ago, would have paid $5 per ton, and it is now carried for $3. The remainder of the cargo was made up of beer, tobacco, machinery, silver bullion and general cargo. In the saloon the steamer had four passengers, all missionaries returning to the Far East. One Chinese embarked here, and there was two from Seattle. These, with seven Japanese deported from Seattle, will have the steerage to themselves. The steamer did not tie up at the Ocean docks, on account of the presence of the deported Japanese. An order was recently made by the United States government which prevents any steamer carrying deported Asiatics from landing at Victoria. This action was taken on account of a Japanese having been released from the custody of the steamer Tacoma at this port on habeas corpus proceedings taken before Mr. Justice Walkem at this port.

According to advices received by the steamer Pleiades, the half yearly meeting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line was held on May 25, at Tokio, at which the company declared a dividend of 2 per cent. The profits of the half year amounted to over one and a half million dollars. President Rempei Kondo stated that the line of steamers running to this port and Seattle, had been greatly improved during the half year by the replacing of four of the smaller vessels with new and most modern passenger and freight steamers, and he announced that the line would be further increased in keeping with the demands of the service, and to keep abreast of competing lines. The company has now a fleet of 75 steamers, of a total tonnage of 237,995 tons, the largest vessel being the recently built Aki Maru, which has been placed on the run to this port and Seattle, and which recently made her maiden voyage to this port. This vessel, which is the largest merchant steamer under the Japanese flag, is a vessel of 6,444 tons gross. Formerly the company had its largest vessels on the Australian and European routes from Japan, but now four of the largest of their liners are on this route. Four new ships are being built, with a total tonnage of 14,440. The company has also 38 steam launches and tugs.

The following is the statement of accounts to be submitted to the meeting:

	Yen.
Gross profits for ½ year ended March 31st, 1903	2,233,120.587
Balance brought forward from last account	703,184.828
Total	2,936,305.415
To be disposed of—	Yen.
Reserve fund	111,656.030
Fund for extension of services and improving fleet	700,000.000
Directors' and Auditors' fee	71,358.110
Dividend (10 per cent)	1,100,000.000
Special dividend (2 per cent)	220,000.000
Balance carried forward to next account	733,291.275
Total	2,936,305.415

A COALING RECORD

The Esquimalt correspondent of the Naval and Military Record says: "Prior to the departure of H. M. S. Grafton for San Francisco last month a new coaling record was established at Esquimalt. The amount of coal ordered to be embarked was 850 tons, and it was necessary that the evolution should be smart, for, besides taking in stores and ammunition, and getting the vessel clean and smart after a fortnight in dockyard hands, she had to be ready by the evening of the 7th in order to leave for San Francisco on the 8th to meet the United States President. And smart the evolution certainly was, for the 850 tons were got on board in six and a quarter working hours, or an average of 136 tons per hour—a record for the station, the previous highest being the Warspite's performance of 112.8 tons per hour, at Coquimbo in March, 1902. The commander-in-chief immediately signified his appreciation of the effort by a flag signal, 'Coaling evolution well executed,' and he intimated to the ship's company that there were two other records he desired to see established, viz., 'good shooting' and 'boat-pulling.'"

Boys' and mens' bathing trunks at 5c., 10c., 15c. and 25c.; bathing suits at 50c., 75c. and $1.00. B. Williams & Co.

Redistribution Of the Districts

Concluding Sections of the Act Soon to Come Into Force.

Much Additional and Timely Information for Provincial Electors.

The Redistribution Act of 1902, which takes effect on the dissolution of the present legislative assembly, contains much information additional to which was published yesterday, which is of particular interest at the present time as indicating to electors the procedure which is to be followed. Concluding sections of the Act are as follows:

"Forthwith after the coming into force of this Act, the registers of voters for the electoral districts and ridings of electoral districts shall be cancelled, and the Lieut.-Governor in Council shall appoint a person to be collector for each newly-constituted electoral district, and it shall be the duty of the new collectors to be appointed in addition to the duties laid down in the Provincial Elections Act," or otherwise required to be performed by law, to make up new registers of voters for the several electoral districts for which they shall be so appointed.

"It shall be necessary for every person desiring to be registered as a voter in any of said newly-constituted districts to apply to the collector, as provided by section 11 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, 1897, being the Provincial Elections Act.

"All the provisions of said chapter 67 shall, mutatis mutandis, and except as by this Act altered, apply to, and to the preparation of, said new registers of voters.

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall fix the date upon which the collector for each newly-constituted district shall hold a court of revision of the register of voters prepared by him, and shall prescribe the notice that shall be given of the holding of said court, but such date for the first court of revision shall not be more than three months after the date this Act comes into force.

"With respect to the newly-constituted electoral districts of Atlin and Skeena, the review of the register of Voters mentioned in section 25 of said chapter 67 instead of being made, taken or held before a county court, shall be made, taken or held before any two justices of the peace, appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, residing in such district, the collector not being one of such justices.

"The register of voters, as made, scrutinized, settled and revised under and pursuant to the provisions of this Act and said chapter 67, shall be and continue to be the registers of voters in and for the several electoral districts hereinbefore constituted and defined, subject, however, to revision in the manner provided by section 11 and following sections of said chapter 67: Provided, however, that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may dispense with the revision of said registers of voters on the first Monday of May or on the first Monday of November in the year in which they shall be made up, if either of said revisions would occur within two months of the date of the court of revision referred to in section 8 hereof.

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations deemed necessary for the carrying out of the provisions of this Act to meet any contingency not herein provided for.

"All such regulations, on being published in one issue of the British Columbia Gazette, shall have the full force of law as if hereby expressly enacted, and shall be laid before the legislature within fourteen days after such publication, if the legislature be then in session, and if not, then within fourteen days after the commencement of the next ensuing session.

"This Act shall take effect upon the dissolution of the present legislative assembly."

By the Wireless Across Pacific

Japanese Will Establish Telegraphic Communication Across the Ocean.

Connecting Victoria With Japan ---Other Routes Also Contemplated.

According to advices received from Japan, a company of Japanese capitalists was being formed when the steamer Pleiades sailed from Yokohama for the purpose of establishing wireless telegraph communication across the Pacific to this port. The promotors of the scheme to send Marconigrams across the Western ocean between Hokhaido, the more northerly province of Japan, and the Vancouver Island shores, are eight well known Japanese, who have appointed Prof. Fujioka, a noted Japanese electrician, as their engineering adviser.

The Japanese government has not given any definite information regarding their project, but it is understood that they propose to establish stations with high wire towers similar to those of Signor Marconi and his associates at Cape Breton and Poldhu, on the shores of Hokhaido, at a place called Kushiro, and at some point to be selected on the coast of Vancouver Island, presumably Carmanah Point or Cape Beale, both of which points make ideal stations for such a project.

It is not only, though across the Pacific between Japan and Victoria that this project in contemplation the establishment of wireless communication. According to the application recently made by the promotors to the communications department of the Japanese government, the company ask for a concession to establish wireless telegraphy between the following places: Cape Soya, Hokkaido, and Kossakovsk, Saghalien; Kushiro, Hokkaido and Vancouver Island; Choshi, Shimosa, and Honolulu; Miyazu, Tango and Gensan, Korea; Shimonoseki and Fusan; Nagasaki and Shanghai; Tainau, Formosa and Manila.

See the new linen mesh tennis and boating shirts with detachable collars at $1.25 and $1.50. B. Williams & Co.

WAS VICTIM OF ACCIDENT.

M. J. Coulin Breaks His Ankle in Two Places Jumping from Runaway Car.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Telephone messages received from the Colonist correspondent at Crofton yesterday afternoon gave the news that on Wednesday last Mike J. Conlin, formerly of this city and now of Crofton, was the victim of a painful accident—his ankle being broken in two places—when jumping from a runaway flat car. His son—young Mike—who also jumped, fell on his head and received a few bruises, but was not seriously injured. Others on the car escaped injury.

It seems that on Wednesday last M. J. Conlin took a flat car and went up the line to load cordwood. He had no break on the car, breaking it as it ran down grade with a piece of wood, but in some manner the car took charge, and when Mr. Conlin and those on board saw that it was running away from them, they jumped. Mr. Conlin landed on a stone and broke his ankle in two places, and although his son landed on his head nearby, he was not seriously injured. The other men were unhurt.

They communicated with Crofton and another flat car was sent up, and the injured man was brought in, and Dr. Rogers, of Chemainus, summoned. He despatched Mr. Conlin to the Chemainus hospital, where he was resting yesterday as well as might be expected. The car was wrecked.