COMPETITION FOR THE PRIOR TROPHY

COMPANIES 3 AND 5 LEAD IN THE MATCH

Fifth Regiment Makes an Amusing Protest Against Poor Catering—Disturbances During Night.

(From Friday's Daily.)

This year's regimental camp is finishing with an eclat that has not marked any previous outing of the local militia. There was an exceptionally large turnout last evening no doubt on account of the announcement that the moving target shooting with the six-inch ordnance and Morris tubes would take place at the fort. This was to determine which company will hold the Prior cup for the ensuing year. Each team fired a five-minute service, and, according to the commanding officer, all made very good records, displaying commendable accuracy and considerable rapidity. As far as can be learned companies 3 and 5 stand the best chance of being awarded the coveted trophy, although the points have not yet been counted. The result is not expected to be made public until after mobilization on next Monday.

While Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 were engaged in firing practice, Nos. 1 and 2 were busy with the 12-pounders. As a result of this drill, which has taken place almost every evening since the inauguration of camp, the first two companies show wonderful adeptness in handling these heavy and rather cumbersome guns. They may be expected to do some good shooting on Saturday afternoon when the first practice under service conditions is to take place. The 12-pounders, also, should perform an important part in the sham battle to be held on Monday—mobilization day—between the Fifth and Sixth Regiments.

Shortly after the corps was dismissed last evening Lt.-Col. Hall, members of his staff and a number of visiting garrison officers were disturbed in the midst of a serious discussion on the intricacies of modern military tactics by the sound of bugles in camp. As it wasn't time for any of the regular calls the commanding officer became considerably perturbed, and, accompanied by a number of officers, proceeded to investigate.

The cause of the noise was soon apparent. Every non-commissioned officer and man of the corps had taken advantage of the closing day of the camp, when discipline is allowed to become slack, to give expression to their disapproval of the manner in which the caterer has fulfilled the contract awarded him by the commanding officer. They had formed a mock funeral and with reversed arms and muffled drums were proceeding to a spot in the neighborhood of the officers' quarters there to "consign to proper oblivion" three or four dozen highly scented eggs and one or two bottles of "bad" pickles. These delicacies had been served to members of the sergeants' mess a few hours previous, and it was on their initiative that this comical, but no less effective, means was taken of registering their disgust.

The procession marched through the camp in the following order:

Sergt.-Major McDougal with dark lantern (acting undertaker).

Firing party consisting of three sergeants with reversed arms.

Bugle band with muffled drums.

Deceased in a wheelbarrow, propelled by Quartermaster-Sergt. Wimsby.

Acting chaplain, Corporal Major, attired in appropriate gorments of white.

Chief mourners, consisting of almost the whole regiment.

In this order the cortege moved slowly through the camp up one line and down another to the mournful notes of the Dead March, rendered by the bugle band. The funeral took place from the sergeants' mess, where the deceased eggs and pickles lay in state and were viewed by those with enough self-control to approach sufficiently close. The interment took place with full military honors, the aforementioned articles reposing in a wheelbarrow and over which was folded the Union Jack. At the graveside the acting chaplain conducted services, and after the usual volley by the firing party the bugle band, instead of sounding "the last post," rendered "come to the cook house door." This brought a very clever burlesque to a close and at the same time gave the caterer a practical demonstration of how much his services as chef are appreciated.

This, however, did not conclude the excitement. Hardly had the quietness of slumber descended upon the camp before some mischievous spirits commenced firing blank ammunition from the forest next the tents. Some rose for the purpose of repelling the night attack, but the majority refused to be tempted to leave the blankets. Shortly after the noise had died down the roar of the 13-pounders, bellowing one after the other, rang out and disturbed every one in camp, with perhaps one exception, namely, Lt.-Col. Hall. That officer asserts that he did not leave the tent after retiring.

Camp Closes To-night.

After 6-inch gun practice this evening the Fifth Regiment will strike tents and march to the drill hall, headed by the band. In order that there may be more time available for target shooting it has been decided to serve dinner at 5.30 o'clock. Those who are unable to reach camp at that time will be given their meal immediately after drill. It is expected that the militia will reach the city about 8.30 o'clock.

The Mobilization.

All members of the Fifth Reziment are again reminded of the mobilization to take place on Monday. All who can possibly do so must fall in at the drill hall at 8.30 o'clock. As already mentioned, a sham battle will take place between the militia corps of Victoria and Vancouver somewhere in the neighborhood of Cedar Hill.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Vancouver, June 23.—Robert McCall was run over by a C. P. R. train this morning and killed.

The telephone company entered suit today against the city for $50,000 damages.

MINE TROUBLE IN THE BOUNDARY

SUPERINTENDENT AND MINERS ARRESTED

They Are Accused of Trespass—Charge Arises Out of Fight for the Providence.

(Special to the Times.)

Greenwood, June 23.—Three or four weeks ago four of the Chicago directors of the Providence Mining Company came here and held a meeting to discuss mine development. It was decided to install a compressor and sell two thousand shares for that purpose. Shortly after they left the local directors held a meeting, ousted Secretary Hunter and elected W. M. Law. They engaged a new superintendent, who was refused admittance to the mine yesterday by Mr. Dermody, the old superintendent, who was discharged by the local directors. Dermody and several miners employed by him were arrested for trespass last night, and are now in jail awaiting the preliminary hearing.

The fight is very bitter, as the mine is exceedingly valuable. The ore at the 400-foot level is two feet wide, and worth $300 per ton.

The Supreme court at Victoria will hear the case, the result of which may throw the control either way. It is being fought by the local men. The Chicago men got an injunction last fall preventing certain stock from voting. This injunction the local men now seek to set aside, releasing the stock and giving them control. The local people at a meeting with the Chicago interests offered to buy them out at $6 per share, or sell out to them at that figure. This was refused, although the par value of the stock is only $5.

EXCITEMENT AT GOLDSTREAM.

Serious Case of Assault and Battery—A Four-Footed Desperado.

In the interests of law and order the Times feels itself in duty bound to sound a solemn note of warning to the rambunctious animal which seems to reign over the purlieus of the Goldstream hotel. The attention of the provincial police has not yet been officially drawn to its indiscretions, but sooner or later the hand of the law will be heavily laid upon it. On Sunday last it was the cause of a most unfortunate episode which can find a parallel in only the comic supplements of the big journals.

It appears that a lady and gentleman—husband and wife—drove to Goldstream and partook of luncheon at the hotel. After it was over the lady entered into an animated conversation with a rather well-informed parrot that was unloading some interesting ideas on summer outing costumes and political economy upon the open air. As the lady listened, enchanted by the eloquence of the fashionably garbed bird she was totally oblivious to the danger that threatened her. Behind her stood in menacing attitude the animal whose truculence is here deplored.

It was a ram, one of the most athletic proportions, with a splendidly shaped head, superbly bulwarked by an unusual frontal development. In his eye there glowed the fire of the bitterest resentment and malevolent intent. Gathering himself together, he gave a sharp run, and launched himself like a thunderbolt from Olympus full at the target. His aim was true and over went the lady with a shriek, while the ram contemplated the havoc he had wrought in haughty triumph.

The lady's screams brought her better half to the scene on the double. White with rage at the indignity heaped upon his family he picked up a huge stone and smote the four-footed aggressor full on the snout. It was a mighty blow, and with his wounds bleeding the ram Kouropatkined away. With all the tenderness in the world the husband stooped to raise his startled spouse, comforting her with the assurance that her wrongs had been deeply avenged. But, alas, while he was bending over her, the sky suddenly grew black, the sun fell into the sea, the earth rocked and opened out, stars played tag in their firmament, and the husband felt himself describing a parabola several feet from the earth.

When he landed he gazed terrified around, and saw—not a volcano nor Mount Ararat, not a lambent streak of chain lightning, not a battery of Japanese 11-inch howitzers, no, not one of these, but the ram. Proudly it stood surveying him and then, scenting trouble in the rush of onlookers who struggling with hysteria, ran towards him, he scampered off. One hackdriver was so overcome by the spectacle that he nearly fell from his seat and his horses were within an ace of getting away from him. It is said that the ram will be proceeded against for assault and battery.

WARMLY RECEIVED.

Emperor Francis Joseph Took Part in the Annual Corpus Christi Procession in Vienna.

Vienna, June 22.—Amid accompaniments of mediaeval pomp and circumstance the aged Emperor of Austria, King of Hungary, and Bohemia, etc., Francis Joseph, took part in the yearly Corpus Christi procession in Vienna today. His Majesty was greeted enthusiastically by his people, but it was the universal dictum of the Viennese that their Emperor had aged greatly since they last saw him partake in this ceremony two years ago, and the appearance of His Majesty suggested that this may be the last time the venerable monarch will appear as a participant in this festival of the Catholic church.

The procession started from the Hofburg, proceeded to the Cathedral of the Staffansplatz, where the religious ceremonies were held, and then returned to the Hofburg.

The ceremonies came to an end with the defiling before His Majesty of the troops which had taken part therein.

ANOTHER WAY OUT OF DIFFICULTY

REGARDING SEWERING OF SPRING RIDGE

By-law Will Be Submitted Authorizing Borrowing of a Large Sum for the Purpose.

Two matters of unusual importance came up at Thursday's meeting of the public works committee of the city council at the city hall. The first was the announcement that it would be impossible to continue with the original plan of sewering Spring Ridge, and the decision, upon Mayor Barnard's suggestion, to submit a by-law providing for the borrowing of $100,000 for the construction of another main. The long expected report on the local waterworks system was the second question. Other matters of minor interest were discussed.

City Engineer Topp asked whether the large trees on the north side of Yates street, opposite the Dominion hotel, should be removed. It was decided to have them destroyed immediately.

Respecting the reconstruction of Rock Bay bridge, Mr. Topp wanted to know if it was the intention to do some filling in at either end, as had been originally suggested. Such a course would require additional funds. On this account the idea was abandoned. In this connection also he recommended the use of parts of the old bridge in the construction of the new structure. The proposal was approved.

The question of hauling gravel for the James Bay flats again came up for discussion. It was suggested that a portion of that required be procured from Ross Bay beach. Some objected to this on the ground that any excavations would undermine the bank.

Ald. Douglas protested emphatically, pointing out that it had previously been agreed to refrain from obtaining sand from that locality. It was unfair to the property owners.

Ald. Fullerton did not think the small amount of gravel wanted, 1,000 yards, would have any serious effect. A far more dangerous matter was the removal of logs from the beach, as these prevented the waves from washing away the bank. The opinion was expressed by several that a stone wall would have to be constructed to stop any further falling away in the near future.

Finally the recommendation was adopted.

There was some debate regarding the furnishing of the Carnegie library, but the matter was left in abeyance.

Senator Macdonald's communication criticising the policy of constructing a cofferdam off Dallas road for the purpose of providing a swimming bath was submitted. He stated that the water was too cold for bathing there, and the locality inconvenient for visitors.

On motion of Ald. Oddy the city clerk was instructed to inform the writer that the matter had already been considered and dealt with.

An application for the daily sprinkling of the lower portion of Menzies street brought up the whole question about sprinkling. Several of the aldermen complained of the manner in which the work was being done. The request was left in the hands of the city engineer.

The proposal to readjust the lines of Russell and Mary streets, Victoria West, was again discussed. An agreement from residents of those thoroughfares to move any fences necessary, providing the corporation contracted to meet the expense of moving an intervening building, was submitted.

The matter was left in charge of Ald. Hanna to secure the best possible bargain.

The Spring Ridge sewerage system was next debated. Mayor Barnard introduced this by remarking that "his ingenuity in reaching a solution of the problem" had about come to an end. He submitted a legal opinion from Messrs. Eberts & Taylor, to the effect that the corporation had not power to expropriate private property for the construction of an outlet to any system. The opinion reads as follows:

In view of sub-section 112 of section 5 of the Municipal Clauses Act, it does not seem to me that the council is at liberty to expropriate land, if there is a street available under which the sewer can be laid. I do not think there is a discretion in the council to determine that question, as the sub-section plainly states that the power of expropriation can only be exercised in the event of there not being a street which the council can use for the purpose. The mere fact of the work costing more if laid on the street than if laid under private property is not sufficient reason for expropriation of private property. The case submitted was determined under another act in which a discretion was vested in the surveyor of highways, the words of that act giving the surveyor authority to conduct such tunnels as he should deem necessary. No such words appear in our act. The other question asked in your letter hinges upon the foregoing being based upon the supposition that the council has discretion in the premises, and was not necessary in view of the opinion that the council has not a discretion in the premises.

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This communication had a very depressing effect upon the aldermen. An informal debate followed, as a result of which all agreed that the proposed Spring Ridge sewerage system, that which was commenced and left unfinished because of the impossibility of securing permission from thirteen property holders to construct an outlet to Rock Bay through their holdings, would have to be abandoned. This decision was reached with every appearance of reluctance, but, as one of those present pointed out, there was nothing else to be done as it was manifestly ridiculous to undertake the excessive expenditure necessary to build the outlet by way of the public thoroughfares.

Mayor Barnard relieved the situation by making a proposition. He suggested the submission of a by-law providing for the borrowing of $100,000 for the extension of the sewerage system at the same time as the loan by-laws for the Victoria West school building and for the purchase of a larger electric lighting plant were placed before the public. If the ratepayers gave their consent at the polls the money would be expended in the construction of a large main from Fernwood road in Spring Ridge, along Edmonton road as far as the Jubilee hospital. From there it would go south, probably along Richmond avenue, to the straits. Thus it would sewer all Spring Ridge as well as the Oak Bay district. The Mayor also pointed out that such a loan would not mean an increase in the taxation. The interest could easily be paid by the sewerage rentals, the same method being employed as that now in vogue. Once the required permission was granted the work could be started and pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. He said there was still about $25,000 of the sewerage fund available which would be used in order that the contemplated work might be done in a satisfactory manner. He thought this would meet a want long felt by the residents of the districts directly benefited.

Such an important proposal naturally caused considerable discussion, but there was little opposition. Finally it was agreed that the by-law should be prepared in order that the ratepayers might either endorse or set their veto upon the proposal.

Representatives of the press were then asked to withdraw. Returning some ten minutes later, Mayor Barnard handed to them copies of the report of the San Francisco expert appointed to investigate the local water supply and the best means of improving it. This appears, in part, in another column.

Shortly afterwards the meeting adjourned.

AN OPEN SHOOT.

Competitions to Take Place Under Auspices of Victoria Club—A List of Prizes.

At Langford Plains on the 25th inst. a shoot will be held under the auspices of the Victoria Gun Club. Most of the prizes offered in the different events are on exhibition in the window of W. H. Adams, Government street. They follow:

Event No. 1: One ton coal, 1 hunting coat, car tickets, 1 vest, 1 sack flour, meat to the value of $1.50, 2 ties, 1 knife, 1 dog collar and chain.

Event No. 2: One fishing rod, 1 flask, 1 bike lamp, 1 razor, 1 pair chickens, 1 pipe, 1 pair slipers, 3 pounds tea, 1 box candy.

Event No. 3: One box cigars, 75 cartridges (Amberite), 1 stove, 1 ham, 1 razor strap, 1 hunting knife, meat to the value of $1.50, 1 mirror, stock feed.

Consolation: One tin Empire powder, razor, 100 cartridges, loaded, ½ cord of wood, 75 cartridges (Amberite), razor strap.

Silver-mounted cigar case for highest average in events, 1, 2 and 3.

The committee in charge has drafted the appended list of regulations:

No contestant is to win more than two prizes in events 1, 2 and 3. The consolation match will be open only to those who have competed in two of the events, and not nothing. A high average prize is offered to the shooter making highest average in events 1, 2 and 3. Shooters may shoot through the whole programme, but contestants having won two prizes, will thereafter be allowed to shoot for birds only. All prizes to be won by high scores, viz.: If A, B and C, have twenty birds broken each, in any event, they take the first three prizes. No entrance fee will be charged to those entering for the events. Birds will be charged for at club rates—one and one-half cents each. Shooters must pay same before going to the score.

Members of the club wish attention drawn to the fact that entries will be received from all interested in trap shooting.

SLOOP CAPSIZED.

Four Men Are Supposed to Have Been Lost Off Island Coast.

On Sunday night last the sloop Ommoni was stolen from her anchorage near Departure Bay, Nanaimo, and was discovered Tuesday capsized, sails set, drifting in the gulf between Mayne and Valdes islands, by some Indians and towed into Cowichan Gap. A skiff was still fast to the sloop, filled with water. It is certain that the men aboard the sloop were drowned.

The story of the finding of the boat was brought into Ladysmith by Indians on Thursday at noon and telephoned to Nanaimo, later being verified on the arrival of the Iroquois.

The name of but one of the victims is known. He was a young lad of about 18, named Stewart. He had been on Sunday paid off from the barque Don, discharging at Departure Bay. In the evening he secured a skiff, saying he was going to the Don to get his dunnage, and that he intended to join the Wellington at Ladysmith the next morning.

He went to the ship and secured his clothing, and was seen ashore with a couple of strangers. About 11 o'clock that night, Thos. Boyard, a fisherman, went into the bay and anchored his sloop, going ashore. He returned an hour later, but the sloop had disappeared.

About an hour after the sloop disappeared from the North Channel, a sloop believed to be the Ommoni, was seen between Protection and Newcastle islands, with a small boat in tow. There were four men aboard the sloop. Stewart's parents live somewhere in Idaho. He had expressed the intention of returning to his home after leaving the Don. It is impossible to say who the other men were.

OUTLOOK BRIGHT.

Premier Rouvier Says Pessimistic Reports Regarding Moroccan Situation Are Unfounded.

Paris, June 22.—Premier Rouvier, in the lobby of the chamber to-night, replying to several deputies who expressed anxiety regarding the cause of to-day's weakness on the bourse, said that pessimistic reports relating to the foreign situation were absolutely unfounded and that the Franco-German negotiations were pursuing a normal course.

It is considered probable that the French note forwarded to Germany will be semi-officially communicated to the powers signatory to the Madrid convention.

THE NEW OFFICIALS.

Changes in the Local Staff of the C. P. R. Will Take Effect on July First.

As intimated some weeks ago in the Times certain important changes in the staff of the C. P. R. in this city were in contemplation. Thursday the arrangement was definitely concluded whereby George L. Courtney, traffic manager for six years of the E. & N. railway, takes the place of Hamilton Abbott, traffic and passenger agent for the C. P. R. in Victoria, who goes to fill a similar position in Calgary, the busy and rapidly increasing metropolis of Alberta. The change will take place on the 1st of July.

Both Mr. Courtney and Mr. Abbott have been distinctly successful in their present positions, and it goes without saying that each has won for himself a large measure of popularity with the people of Victoria. Great regret is expressed at the approaching departure of Mr. Abbott, although all are pleased to know that he has obtained well-merited promotion. It is unquestionable that he will achieve in Calgary as high a standing amongst the business men as he has rightfully enjoyed here.

Mr. Courtney is merely returning to the service of the great company with which he was identified some years ago, and in whose offices he received the training which has stood him in such good stead. He will have charge of the freight and passenger business of the C. P. R. on Vancouver Island; it is a highly responsible position, but one which Mr. Courtney will fill with acceptance to all concerned.

A number of C. P. R. officials are now in Victoria preparatory to taking over the E. & N. railway for their company. Those gentlemen are J. G. Goodfellow, who will be superintendent of the Island division, under the general superintendent at Vancouver; H. E. Beasley, superintendent at Vancouver; S. Phipps, master mechanic; W. Newman, roadmaster; Thomas Sywart, bridge foreman, and W. F. Brougham, of the land department. Two gasoline motor cars have been brought over from Vancouver for the use of the officials in the inspection of the track.

F. CONGDON IN CITY.

He Will Leave in a Short Time For Dawson—Opinion of Yukon.

Fred Congdon, ex-commissioner of the Yukon, is in the city to-day. He has come here on business and will return to Vancouver to-morrow. Mr. Congdon, who has been given the office of legal adviser to the Yukon council, will leave for Dawson very shortly.

Speaking of conditions in the North, Mr. Congdon says the Yukon, while it still offers many inducements to individual miners, is developing into a field for carrying on work by large corporations. There is abundant ground to be covered by steam dredges to give good results for years and years to come. The enterprise is a great one, and so far removed from the manufacturing centres it is an expensive undertaking to place machinery on the ground. The results are such as to induce large companies to invest. The water supply is an important feature in connection with the work, and millions will have to be spent on this branch alone.

Referring to questions of government in the North, Mr. Congdon points out that there is always a difficulty which the commissioner must meet. This is the false reports which are sent to the outside at the instigation of disgruntled seekers after all kinds of privileges. Isolated in the Yukon these reports do their evil before there is any chance to contradict or contract them. He thinks newspapers on the outside should be very cautious about circulating reports defamatory of officials in Dawson.

CHAMBERS CASE.

The Southeast Kootenay Oil Licenses Are Again Before Court.

Mr. Justice Martin is hearing applications in Chambers to-day. There is a very long list in consequence of all the judges being absent for some time attending the Full court in Vancouver.

His Lordship at present is hearing argument with respect to the Coal Mine Act in consequence of the order made by Judge Forin forbidding the issuing of licenses to John Watt and others for petroleum lands in Southeast Kootenay.

R. T. Elliott, on behalf of J. E. Smart, is making application to-day to prohibit the order of Judge Forin being acted upon.

Sir Chas. Hibbert Tupper, who represents the McVittie syndicate, is opposing the application.

The cases differs little from that argued out some weeks ago, when prohibition was granted. In the present case, however, the McVittie syndicate are all holders of licenses, while in the case of the Leckie syndicate, which was represented in the other case, licenses were not issued.

SPANISH CABINET.

General Weyler, Minister of War—New Ministry Will Be Submitted to King To-Day.

New York, June 23.—Gen. Weyler has again been slated for Spanish minister of war, according to a Herald dispatch from Madrid. The new ministry, which will be submitted to the King to-day, is composed as follows: Premier, Montero Rios; foreign affairs, Sanchez Roman; war, Gen. Weyler; justice, Gonzales Pena; marine, Senor Villanueva; interior, Garcia Prieto; finance, Senor Urzaiz; instruction, Senor Mallado; public works, Senor Romanoes.

The ministry, which is completely Conservative, will advise the King to dissolve the Cortes immediately.

M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador in Paris, has not been advised of his appointment as peace plenipotentiary, and therefore doubts the report to that effect, as it is considered doubtful that the authorities at St. Petersburg would act without consulting him. Moreover, it is said that the ambassador's health does not warrant him in taking a lengthy sea voyage.

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SOME FRENCHMEN ARE ANXIOUS FOR FIGHT

Intrigues in France Cause Concern in Germany—Moroccan Situation Remains Unsettled.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, June 23.—The French note on the subject of the proposed Moroccan conference was handed to the foreign office this morning. Owing to its great length the note had to be sent by mail to Berlin instead of telegraph.

The foreign office, while declining to discuss the points of the note in detail, admits that that it leaves the situation where it was before. The points of disagreement between Germany and France have not been removed. It is expected that the negotiations will continue for a long time before a positive result is reached.

Germany's answer to Premier Rouvier has not yet been considered. It will require considerable time in order to meet all the points raised. While the delay might under ordinary circumstances be of advantage in affording time for the excitement to subside, German government circles note with some concern that powerful intrigues are going on having for their object war between Germany and France. Germany intends to remain thoroughly pacific but the government apprehend the possibility that these intrigues will result in inflaming the French people against Germany and creating a delicate and complicated situation.

Uneasiness in Paris.

Paris, June 23.—An official communication issued after the meeting of the council of ministers to-day says Premier Rouvier acquainted his colleagues with the status of the negotiations with Germany. These follow the normal course without change since the delivery of the note of Prince Radolin, the German ambassador. The note was simultaneously communicated to the French ambassadors abroad for the purpose of informing the powers.

Uneasiness continues to prevail in parliamentary circles and among the public in general concerning the outcome of the negotiations. The Bourse showed renewed depression, rentes continuing to decline.

CITY TOOK ACTION.

Superintendent and Employees of Telephone Company Arrested at Vancouver.

Vancouver, June 22.—The strained relations between the city and the British Columbia Telephone Company came to a head this afternoon with the arrest of the superintendent of the company, H. W. Kent, with the foreman of the conduit work and a number of the workmen. The men arrested were booked at the police station as follows: H. W. Kent, superintendent; G. McCartney, foreman of the works, aged 30, Canadian; S. Rohr, laborer, aged 30, Norwegian; Ola Swanson, laborer, aged 28, Norwegian; Nic Golaprell, laborer, aged 29, Italian; N. Coravolie, laborer, aged 29, Italian.

This morning the chief of police received the following letter of instruction from the city clerk's office:

"The telephone company are not to be allowed to tear up or interfere with any public property other than the lane running between Cordova and Hastings streets, from Columbia avenue to Abbott street."

This letter was handed by the chief of police, Sam North, to Sergeant Butler. Shortly after noon to-day Sergeant Butler learned that the employees of the telephone company were engaged at new work in the lane east of Columbia avenue, which is outside the limit of the unfinished work, with the completion of which the city had not interfered. In company with Detective Jackson and Officer Norman McLeod he went to the spot and found that the excavation was in progress. On the work he found the persons above named, and the sergeant immediately informed them that he would have to put them under arrest. Joseph Martin, the city solicitor, advised the arrests. The prisoners were allowed out on their own recognizances.

CHINESE BOYCOTT.

Liberal Contributions Towards Aiding Countrymen in Rejecting United States Goods.

Chinese residents in Victoria, following up the movement which has been undertaken to boycott United States goods have decided to assist in every way possible. Funds subscribed by the Benevolent Society, by the merchants and by all classes among the Chinese population, even to the laborers, have been sent to San Francisco to be in turn sent on to the port towns of China. This money will be used to reimburse those who may suffer loss by the refusal to unload United States goods from steamers.

The local Chinese have gone to the extent of deciding not to purchase United States goods of any kind. They all refuse to work for any one who is a citizen of the United States.

This action is taken in consequence of the American republic debarring Chinese from entering the United States. The subscriptions made by resident Chinamen are liberal, and they have shown a disposition to aid to the fullest their countrymen in the seaport cities of China who will be losers by the announced boycott.

A DISTINCT HIT.

C. P. R.'s Yokohama Staff Distinguish Themselves in a "Banzai."

The Japan Daily Advertiser of June 5th, discussing editorially the proposal that the foreign community of Yokohama celebrate Togo's great victory, thus compliments the C. P. R.'s Yokohama staff:

"In such event it might well be suggested that in the scheme of decoration, instead of the hackneyed devices for mere ornament, an endeavor be made to put thought and significance into the displays, like that shown by the Canadian Pacific building in the recent Banzai, whereon was displayed Admiral Togo's message, the idea being carried out in all the subsidiary features. The crowds of Japanese who gathered before the building and the feeling they displayed showed plainly that a note in their hearts was struck, and that the response was a general and genuine one."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoffmeister, of Vancouver, are spending their honeymoon in Victoria.

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WALTER FORD.
JOHN J. DOUGAN.
E. H. FORREST.

Cowichan Station, May 1st, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the Coast District, Range 5, commencing at a stake at the northwest corner of Lot 191; marked W. D. McIntosh, jr., thence running west 40 chains, thence south 18 chains to the northern boundary of Lot 193, thence east 40 chains along the northern boundary of Lot 193, thence north 18 chains to place of commencement, containing 72 acres more or less.

W. D. M'INTOSH, JR.

March 21st, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land: Commencing at the southeast corner post on Dease Lake, Cassiar, near Porter's Landing, of Lot 206, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south to the lake shore, thence following the lake shore to the point of commencement, and containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., 19th May, 1905.

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