Proceedings Before Mr. Justice Drake This Morning on the Motion to Commit Messrs. Ellis and Lugria.

Counsel Quote Voluminously From Authorities For and Against the Motion and Judgment Is Reserved.

Mr. Justice Drake presided this morning in chambers, when the principal matter was the motion to commit the manager and the editor of the Dai y Colonist for contempt of court, in consequence of three articles published in that paper, which, it is alleged, reflected upon Mr. Justice Martin and injured the interests of Mr. Prentice, the respondent in the East Lillooet election protest. Mr. L. P. Duff appeared in support of the motion and Mr. Gordon represented Messrs. Ellis and Lugrin of the Colonist

The morning was taken up in argument on preliminary objections, and Mr. Justice Drake announced that he would consult the authorities and announce decision shortly.

Mr. Lugrin was seated by his counsel uring the hearing, and Mr. Ellis was present for a few minutes early in the proceedings. There was but a small attendance of the public.

His lordship asked at the commencewhy the motion had not been ht lefore the court which was sed to have been brought into con tempt, and after some discussion. Mr. Duff pointed out that the matter had come before Mr. Justice Martin last week, and he had intimated that he hear it.

Mr. Duff was proceeding with the motion when Mr. Hunter stated that he had some preliminary objections, and those were taken up first. Mr. Huater then ergued that the method of bringing up the case was too summary, and that the proper method was by indict-ment. He quoted voluminously from authorities, among them being the famous case of O'Shea vs. O'Shea and Parnell shawing that proceedings for contempt were of a criminal character, and that the course pointed out by him-by indictment—should have been pursued. His lordship pointed out that the three articles were different in their nature, the first being a comment on a public appointment, and the other two had to do with the case in which Mr. Prentice is interested, and consisted of a prophesy as to the result of a case which was sub judice. Mr. Hunter said he would deal with that aspect of the

case later.
Counsel's second point was that there was no inherent power in the inferior courts to commit for contempt. That power was held by the courts at Westminster, because it was a survival of the old condition of things when the sovereign administered the law in person. His lordship replied that the supreme court of British Columbia was a court which represented Her Majesty as much as any court in the realm, and it would Hunter a considerable time to convince him otherwise. Then Mr. Hunter asserted that there was nothing to show what court was supposed to have been brought into contempt, the supreme court or the court for trying the election petitions, and his lordship held that the lection court was a part of the supreme

ocurt. Mr. Hunter then proceeded with point which came somewhat as a sur-prise, it being no less than that the appointment of Mr. Justice Martin to the bench was ultra vires of the governorgeneral in council, owing to the fact that Mr. Martin had not been a member of the British Columbia bar for the necessary length of time, ten years. An affi-dayit was read showing that Mr. Martin had applied for admission in January. for admission in January, 1894, and had been admitted in July bench was in September last. Mr. Justice Drake said he did not see how Mr. Hunter could expect to get any decision on that point, but Mr. Hunter maintained that while the governor-general had the right to nominate the appointee it was within the province of the provincial legislature to decide as to his capability to accept the office, as being a matter of civil rights of the individual.

Mr. Duff then proceeded to outline the

object of the motion and circumstances leading up to it. The petition was presented in August and the summons was issued on October 18th and made returnon the 28th for an order to strike out the petition. It was adjourned several times until it finally was heard by Mr. Justice Martin in November, who reserved his decision, and such decision has not yet been given. The articles not yet been given. The articles complained of in the Colonist were then taken up and Mr. Duff pointed out that the last one was not "fair and unmalic-ious comment," for the strongest possible contempt of which anyone can be guilty is to try and influence a judge to do something contrary to that which he is

His lordship asked if it would be improper comment for a paper to suggest that a certain case had better be tried before another judge than the one taking

Mr. Duff-But it calls him a judicial His Lordship-Oh, well, there are a great many judicial anomalies. Mr. Duff then quoted the celebrated Tichborne case, growing out of which was an action to commit one Skipworth for attempting to dissuade the justice of England from taking part in the hearing of the case. Counsel urged that the law was intended to protect the

davits.

Mr. Duff urged that the attempt to dissuade Mr. Justice Martin from hearing the case might result as prejudicially to the interests of the parties as would

this as not being referred to in the affi-

Mr. Hunter objected to

the status of the complainant in such a motion as this was his ability to prove that he suffered injury in the sait to which he was a party. His lordship held that any officer of the court is entitled to draw the attention of the court to any scandalous comment made regarding the court and he thought this was well with-

n counsel's right.
Mr. Hunter then read the first article complained of, in the endeavor to show that nothing could be found objection-able, whereupon his lordship said that that particular article might just as well be omitted from these proceedings. Mr. Hunter maintained that in such proceedings the exact words complained of should be specified. The whole three articles had been p tenforked into affidavits and there was nothing to show what portion was charged as being con-tempt of court. Then there was no affi-davit on file to show that Mr. Prentice had been injured by the comments made, and counsel did not know that Mr. Prentice was aware of these proceedings having been taken. This caused Mr. to indulge in a little smile, where-

know that if they were successful they could recover costs from Mr. Prentice. Mr. Justice Drake reassured counsel on that point, however.

Mr. Hunter then referred to Mr. Duff's statement regarding the Prentice election protest being the only one Mr. Justice Martin had heard, mentioning that Mr. Martin had disposed of about twenty-eight other protests, by heard preliminary obje tions in the Bryden and Dunsmuir cases and in Jardine and Bullen. His lord-ship said he could settle that point by a reference to the records of the court.
Counsel for the Colonist then waxed warm regarding the affidavits, which had been filed "by a couple of law clerks," one of which, containing the statement that the Colonist had for years been advocating the cause of the Turner party, he characterized as "very tall swearing." In this regard he quoted from authorities the change which had come over the judiciary regarding actions of this nature during the last half century. learned judge to the effect that the law was intended to "keep a blaze of glory around the judges" heads."

His Lordship—But the blaze has balded. One of the quotations was that of

Mr. Hunter-Well, it isn't so haloed as was. Counsel then quoted the affidavit to the effect that the deponent had been told by a clerk in the Colonist office that Mr. Lugrin was the editor. Mr. Hunter thought the other side had not taken sufficient trouble to make enquiries in proper quarters. If Mr. Lugrin had been asked himself he thought it likely he would have been willing to admit

responsibility for the writing of the Mr. Lugrin (interjecting)-"I will be ready to admit responsibility when 1 am brought into court in the proper man-Mr. Duff maintained that sufficient proof had been shown of Mr. Lugrin's occupancy of the position as editor. It

was to be presumed that as he was the editor on the date referred to in the affidavit he continued to be editor.

Mr. Lugrn-Then it would be presum that I am still the editor of the St. John Telegraph, where I was ten years ago. Mr. Duff continued his argument, con

cluding by stating that he thought he was perfectly justified in the course he had pursued in his client's interest, as he did not believe the comment was fair and unprejudiced. His lordship announced that he would consult the authorities quoted and would deliver his decision shortly.

MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR Now Visiting Manitoba A Treaty With Indians-The Doukhobors.

Hon. Mr. Sifton, minister of the interior, is at present in Manitoba and will remain about ten days. The principal purpose of Mr. Sifton's trip is to deal with certain matters connected with the treaty to be made with the Peace and Athabasca river district. Indians' next summer. These Indians, desire to come to some arrangement with the govern-ment, as many gold prospectors are passing through the country and interfering, so it is said, with the Indians' hunting grounds. This winter notices of the appointment of a commission and the holding of a conference are being sent to the different tribes through missionaries and Hudson's Bay Co.'s officers and a great gathering of the chiefs and councillors will undoubtedly convene in due time. The commission will consist of three men -Mr. David Laird, the commissioner of Indian affairs, Mr. McKenna of the Ottawa Indian office, and a third to be named before the minister departs. Mr. Sifton mentioned to the Free Press

with considerable satisfaction the com-pletion of the arrangement for bringing the Doukhobors from Russia. This arrangement was not made without some difficulty, as inducements were offered the delegates representing these people by parties in the United States and other by parties in the United States and other countries to establish their colony among them. Mr. Sifton is convinced that a more desirable class of foreign settlers could not be discovered anywhere in the could not be discovered anywhere in the was living at 216 Cherry street. Seattle was living at 216 Cherry street. Seattle. try and thrift will speak for their worthiness as agriculturists. The first 2,000 who are coming out will be assisted by United States and English Quakers the other 8,000 have plenty of means of their own. There are about 1,100 Douk-hobors on the island of Crete who are not prospering as they expected, and it probable that this body will also come

to Canada.

Mr. Sifton will also visit Southwestern Manitoba, and on Wednesday will attend a banquet to be given by his constituents in Brandon in his honor.

DEATH OF MRS. GOSNELL.

Mrs. Agnes Theresa Gosnell, wife of Gosnell. brarian, died at six o'clock on Sunday evening, the 11th instant, in St. Joseph' hospital, from the effects of a critical operation after a prolonged il ness, which had so reduced her strength as to deprive her of the power to rally from the shock.

The deceased lady was born at Ham ilton. Ontario, and was only 35 years of age. She was educated at Ville Marie Academy, Montreal, where she graduated a gold-medallist, and where she also gained the gold medal in music. Mrs. Gosnell was gifted with a soprano voice of rare beauty, richness and strength, which under other circumstances have gained her fame. Gosnell came to British Columbia from Chatham, Ont., nine years ago, and was for the greater portion of that period a constant sufferer, but these severe trials were borne with patience and fortitude. With Mr. Gosnell and his daughter, Miss Vera Gosnell, and the parents of the deceased lady, in their bereavement, the profoundest sympathy is felt.

The funeral will take place from the courts from the use of vituperative language and he pointed out that supposing the point had been appealed to the full court it would have been absolutely necessary for Mr. Martin to have been one the Roman Catholic Cathedral, and

thence to Ross Bay cemetery, and DEAD IN A DITCH.

George Voltze's Body Found Yesterday in a Drain on Oswego Street.

known as "Old George," (George Voltze) was found dead in a ditch on Oswego street yesterday morning by a little sonwas found dead in a ditch on Oswego street yesterday morning by a little son of Mr. Roscamp, who lives in that neighborhood. The old man was lying on his face in a shallow ditch in which there was a few inches of water, and into which he had evidently stumbled while intoxicated. He lived in a shack at the country of Oswego and Superfor streets. corner of Oswego and Superior streets, and was probably on his way 'uther when he met his death. Decey d was a German, aged 43, and ha fived a long time in the city. He has no relatives here. He was a cabinet maker, and when sober worked in the different shops in the city. He was for some time in Weiler Bros., but at the time of his death was employed in Sehl's establishment. At 2 o'clock on Sunday morning Constable Conlin met the deceased, and did not then appear to be very drunk. His remains were brought to the morgue by Officers Redgrave and Mouatt, and an inquest is ordered for

te-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, B. Gordon and Geo. M. Leishman were passengers returning from business visits to the provincial mainland on Saturday evening. LOCAL NEWS.

(From Friday's Daily.) congregation of Emmanuel Baptist Church are in compagnication with Rev. Mr. Corkersy, or avaidsor, Ont.. with a view to his acceptance of

the vacant pastorate of the church. -The apprehension felt regarding the disappearance of Richard T. Walke, of the B C. Farniture Co., has been removed by the fact that Charles Hughes saw and talked to the missing man in Scattle on Wednesday evening last.

-Ex-Alderman James Baker desires to contradict most emphatically the rumor that he intends to offer himself as a candidate for the position of mayor at the forthcoming election. So far is it from his intention that he is making arrangements to spend the coming year in the northern goldfields.

-W. J. Taylor, the city barrister, leaves shortly for England to argue the case of the city in the matter of the Point Ellice bridge suits before the Privy Council. He expects to leave not later than the 18th of this month. This s Mr. Taylor's first visit to the old land, and he is anticipating a very pleasant experience.

-Detective Perdue, who has been endeavoring to regain his former health at the sulphur baths, writes to the chief of police saying that although the pain has almost entirely left his limbs he has become so weakened by the treatment that he is unequal to the least fatigue. He leaves for Los Angeles on the 14th of the month in the hope of recuperating his strength.

-Lieut. Waller, of Oak house, has informed the police that thieves visited his house last night and secured a gold watch and cable chain, with a small gold locket attached with a lady's photo inside. He also lost a gold seal watch key, one gent's exidized watch. catskin rug, lined with blue, and \$2 n silver. He also reports having a in silver. silver match box stolen, but as the box in question was found on the street two weeks age and advertised at the time it is probable that it dropped out of his

-When the news was telephoned to the city, about three o'clock yesterday, that McIntosh, the Leander seaman who was serving a term at the provinc al jail, had escaped, Jailer Hunter was in the city on business. Upon the receipt of the intelligence, however, he burried out to the jail, and at once joined in the search for the escaped seaman with such good effect that before five o'clock the man had been recovered. Jailer Hunter discovered him in hiding in the words, not far from the jail, where he had secreted himself with the probable intention of continuing his flight after nightfall, as he was in prison garb and liable to detection if attempting to travel by daylight.

-The nineteenth annual report of the British Columbia board of trade has just been issued. It is a handsome volume of over a hundred pages, tastefully bound and profusely illustrated. The frontis-piece shows a view of the city taken from Mount Tolmie, the harbor of Esquimalt, the outer wharf and the per-liament buildings, while throughout the book there are thirty engravings representing the most important features in the industries of the province. There is an excellent map and the book teems with valuable information compiled; in the most interesting manner possible. The book reflects credit upon the board of trade and upon the Province Printing & Publishing Company, by whom the typographical and binding work have

(From Saturday's Daily.) -Mrs. Hugh Madden, of Maple avenue, Quebec, has written to the chief. This was in September of last year, and he then stated that he was about to leave for Victoria.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Paul Medina took place this morning from her late residence on Simcoe street, and later from the Roman Catholic cathedral. The funeral services were conducted by the Bishop, who was assisted by Fathers Laterne and Verbeck. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Jacob Schl, E. Mallandaine, C. Muriset, J. F. Chandler, F. Campbell and J. Dongall There was a large attendance and many beautiful floral offerings were received.

-At the request of a number of the friends of the government, Dr. Lewis Hall has decided to contest Cowichan district against Mr. Robertson. Dr. Hall is no stranger in this constituency, having been a resident there for many years, and four years ago received a argely signed requisition to stand, but business reasons prevented him accepts ing. Dr. Hall is extremely popular, and will no doubt give a good account of

Terwagne, the French balloonist, who with other members of his Klondike party were supposed to have met with party were supposed to have met with down the stairs they were laughing disasters as they had not been heard from for they wrote they had abandoned the balloon idea and gave up hope of hunting Ardice ships on a cruise up Newshowing up, they say in the letter, exceptionally well.

(From Monday's Daily.) The Raines shooting case came up for hearing again this morning before Mr. Justice Walkem, but owing to the continued illness of one of the witnesses it was further adjourned until January 16th.

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-The remains of the late Thaddeus Harper were interred in Ross Bay cemetery on Saturday, Rev. Dr. Wilson officiating. The chief mourners were Hon. C. A. Semlin and Mr. Gus Hartnagle. and the pallbearers were Messrs, J. B. Lovell, John Dougall, John Moore, A. ameron, J. I. Crimp and J. Clearibue.

The trial of Capt. Owens, late master of the City of Nanaimo, for assault upon W. Thomas during an excursion to Port Angeles, is proceeding this afternoon before Mr. Justice Walkem. The ovidence is similar to that taken at the evidence is similar to that taken at the preliminary chearing. Mr. Belyea is prosecuting, and owing to the illness of Mr. Geo. Powell. Mr. F. B. Gregory is assisting Mr. E. Powell in the defence.

week's engagement in this city on Saturday, evening, when the Victoria theatre was crowded from floor to ceiling. Mr. McEwen made a long address in reply to a letter from "Tau" in the Colonist, and the programme consisted of the usual medley of laughable perform usual medley of laughable perform-ances. The last feature was "hypnotism by telephone," in which McEwen from Dominion hotel succeeded in sending off his six subjects by suggestions over telephone. A committee consisting thon.

of several well known gentlemen, including Drs. Lewis and Ernest Hall, Gleanings of City and Provincial News superintended the work and pronounced in a Condensed room. It satisfactory. The engagement has peen one of the most successful of that kind ever played in Victoria.

> On her arrival from Union and Nanaimo the steamer City of Nanaimo brought news of a drowning accident at Union on Thursday last. Two marines of H. M. S. Icarus had been ashore in the evening and were returning to their boat, when in doing so one of them, Marshall, ran down the slip, fell over-board, and struck against the City of Nanaimo, which was lying at the wharf at the time. The force of the knock must have stunned him, as he sank and

> pointment the police magistrate had no cases before him this morning. On y one case was on the books, that of one case was on the books, that of Annie Howard, charged with keeping a disorderly house. Following the course adopted by another woman of the town last week under similar circumstances, woman avoided the police, and the officers were unable to serve the summons upon her. Failing to appear in court this morning the usual warrant was issued for her arrest.

> -Ten months or so ago the United States war department was engaged in equipping an expedition to go overland to the relief of the Dawson miners, who were believed to be short of provisions. Quartermester Robinson received a car of large bob-sleds from the department, to be used in hauling provisions and stores over the trail to the gold fields. They were sent north, and after the necessity for their intended use had disappeared, they were brought back to Seattle and have been stored ever since. Acting under instructions from the quartermaster's office at Washing ton, Capt. Robinson has advertised them for sale, and they will be knocked down to the highest bidder on December 21. This is the last chapter in the famous

> > THE PRINCE OF WALES.

Pen-Picture of England's Future King as He Is To-day. The London Daily Mail of November

Savs: H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, the an-

niversary of whose birthuay will be celemost genial, as he is the best-dressed of men. His good humor is a pattern for all men of hight and learning.

A story is told that on one occasion he was sitting in the Peers Gallery in the House of Commons when an officious M. P. "spied strangers," and the Prince for other with

P. "spied strangers," and the Prince, to-gether with several peers and foreign ambassadors, was politely but firmly in-formed that he must leave. His Royal Highness complied with unruffled good

The Prince of Wales, like so many of the world's great men, is a very sport sleeper, rarely retiring to bed before two o'clock "in the wee sma' hours," but he is always down, looking fresh and bright, from a cold bath (in which he indulges all the year round), at half-past eight. He is pre-eminently a man of method; after breakfast he personally deals with natest details. The accounts at Marlbor-ough House are kept as strictly as char-tered accountants could keep them.

The clerks in his countants are a strictly as charshoals of letters, and goes into the minutest details. The accounts at Marlbor the Sound she broke down forty-five

Among life's busy bees he is one of the most active; as an indication of this, just read the following summary of nine months' engagements of the Prince as reported in the press; Eleven attendances at the House of Lords, on forty-five occasions he had official and charity the lighthouse fifteen miles below.

valuable recruit to the ranks of the she was found lying on the

The smallest detail on the stage does not escape his vision. When the Prince visited the Adelphi during the run of "One of the Best," he discovered that the ribbon of the Victoria Cross worn by Mr. Terriss was incorrect. This he once pointed out, and it was at once out right.

and Teck, His Royal Highness called upon Miss Genevieve Ward. While talkand ing the actress heard the tinkle of her pet dog's bell, and she called out, "Come here, Teck."

of hastily apologized: "My little dog's name is Teck—short for Theela," They all Teck!" exclaimed the actress, and the dog obeyed. As the gentlemen went

ing Andree, going on a cruise up Stew-art river After a series of very difficult ple at their ease. Captain Carter, who attriver. After a series of very dimcult ple at their ease. Captain Satter, who adventures they went to Atlin, where they strick it rich on Wright creek. They have secured fine claims, which are showing up, they say in the letter, exdaughters came aboard without notice. He was naturally much discomposed as to the correct mode of receiving him, but was at once put at his ease by the

spirits, being more often highly amused

largely shaped by himself.

It is shameful for a man to rest in ig-norance of the structure of his own body, especially when the knowledge of it main-ic conduces to his welfare, and directs his application of his own powers—Melanc-thon.

Along the Waterfront.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Collector of Customs A. R. Milne has this camp there will be shortly forwarded his report dealing with the past sealing season to Ottawa. In his report, after giving a detailed list of the catches and conditions in Behring sea and on the coast and other sealing grounds, the collector says that but six pranded skins were included in the catch. Two were taken by the schooner Hatzne and one each by the schooners City of San Liego, Otto, Ocean Rover and Victoria. Referring to this the collector says: "In the American newspapers, -For the second time since his ap- and, I notice, in the governor of Alaska's report, it is claimed that the branding process is a great success, but from the evidence of only six branded skins being reported I cannot account for their mode of reasoning, unless it be that the seals die after being so inhumanely dealt with." The loss of the Pioneer is also told of in the report. She had a crew of six whites and twenty Indians, and had a total catch of 453 skins.

The captain of the British ship Star The captain of the British ship Star of Italy, which was towed to sea lumber-laden by the tug Lorne a few days ago, was badly buncoed shortly before sailing at Port Townsend by the shipping men there. A crew for the Star was shipped at Seattle and sent to Townsend. The shipping man received his money and the crew promptly disarpeared. They could not have been lost more completely had they fallen into lost more completely had they fallen into the sea. The captain decided to ship another crew, and one was easily se-cured for him in Townsend. It was composed of the same men that had been brought down from Seattle and for whom he had already paid, but he did not know it, and paid again.

The last of the salmon fleet has sailed. The British ship Celtic Race has left Steveston with 79,000 cases of salmon for London, besides heavy shipments of naval stores, salmon oil and household effects. With the sailing of the Celtic Race there are now five vessels on the seas en rante to Liverpool and London from British Columbia ports. They are the ships Acomas. Blythswood, Ilala, Atlanta and Celtic Race. The fleet took in all about 350. 000 eases of British Columbia salmon to the markets of England, the value of

who expect to leave shortly on their first fishing cruise. There is a prospect of considerable fishing being done off the cape during the coming spring if the talk of the waterfront be true. It is said that there is a scheme under way for the charter of a steamer of about two hundred tons to go fishing there when the winter closes.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The steamer Cleveland is seemingly

followed by misfortune, for she has again met with a mishap off Cape Flattery. While on her way to San Franthe clerks in his employ are a class by themselves; once installed under the heir apparent's roof, they never leave, save from ill-health, and their fidelity never took four hours to disconnect the engines. Then the steamer was headed arces at the House of Lords, on forty-five occasions he had official and charity able engagements, his appearances at dinner parties, balls, garden parties, and concerts total to forty-three, twenty-eight race meetings were honored with the presence, and on thirty occasions he visited the tehatre. Not bad for thirty-seven weeks.

One is not surprised at His Royal Highness's numerous attendances at as possible. She will spend some time the theatres when it is recalled that, like a Seattle repairing her injured engineall the members of the royal family, he room. The Cleveland has had plenty of and the Thistile towed her to the smooth has a keen dramatic appetite. He is hard luck of late. Two years ago, as beach near by, where she was beached an excellent judge of all plays, and, did will be remembered, she broke down and repaired sufficiently for the voyage more immediate attention, he would be and was missing for many days before have gome, but her engines are in good Ciayoquot Sound.

The whalers who propose to bunt the whales of the northern British Columbia Concerning the theatrical side of the Prince's life a good story is related.

Accompanied by the Dukes of Edinburgh Norway. You may think this strange, said a gentleman interested in the business to the Province, but it is not. The English whalers must go to Norway for vessels, while Norwegian merchants must go to England for their cargo carriers. There is money in the industry hastily apologized: "My little dog's name is Teck—short for Thecla," They all reared at the idea, and the animal rushed at the Duke of Edinburgh. "Basket, Teck!" exclaimed the actress, and the propose to pursue our operations off the Queen Charlotte Islands, as whales are very plentiful there. It is very dirty work, but at that distance at sea, we do not think we will annoy anybody. Vancouver will be made our headquarters and thus cnother valuable industry will be established here. As to the number of whales in the Pacific there is no doubt and the industry once started is bound to become as important as in the North Sea, where, you know, there once lived a whale." A local company is being formed, several well-known gentlemen of means having become interested

(From Monday's Daily.)

Steamer Queen City sailed for Ahousett and way ports on the west coast on Saturday evening with a small complesett and way ports on the west coast on Saturday evening with a small complement of passengers but a comparatively good quantity of freight. The development of the West Coast industries and mines is causing more steamboat men to look in that direction for trade, and is proverbial, and, instead of being angry at unintentional discourtesy, he takes everything in the best of all good ment of the West Coast industries and spirits, being more often highly amused than "put out."

Were the Prince other than he is he could obtain a living in a multitude of ways, as he is one of the most versatile men of the moment. Let us indicate a few of his accomplishments; his accurate knowledge of his accomplishments; his accurate knowledge of all sorts of subjects is nothing less than phenomenal.

His Royal Highness possesses a wide knowledge of sport of all kinds, literative, science and art, and home and foreign of the close of the Yukon navigation season ture, science and art, and home and foreign of the stories of information are allied a remarkable memory, both for faces and facts, a fund of anecdote and an indefering allied appetite for work.

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she was going on run this morning, C had nothing to say. the coast Captain The Fastnet will be on the ways eight or nine days. That there will be much trade with the West Coast for some time is evident. From Hayes camp alone the miners ex-

pect to be able, as soon as the impl ments being made there are of to ship at least 100 tons of mprovements are being made ther in the spring an aerial tramway wil built from the quartz hills to the on the banks of Alberni canal. Bo other mir es, particularly those quot, which expect to make ments. The coal mines of the We couver Coal Co. at Quatsino are ed to make large shipments of coa They began to pile up coal on the last month, and on the last trip Willapa to Cape Scott there fifty tons on the dump. This had taken out by the few miners at there between two trips of the W It is said that as soon as sufficient is raised a collier will be charte carry the coal direct from Quats San Francisco. Development is ed to begin there shortly on a large when, besides the direct sothers will be made by the steamers to Victoria.

The report given out that the ste Maude is to be replaced on the Coast service is denied by the C. Co. She will continue her present Another addition to the West psiness will be the little steamer which will leave shortly to do a ge trading and passenger business the coast. The steamers Willia lorence, which since last summer peen engaged on Alberni canal, are be doing very well, the former a carrier of passengers, and the latte freighter.

The steamer Laurada has made a bungle of her last attempt at transactions not recognized by the law. Emboldeded by her successes in the past a a fillbuster in the landing of arms
Cuba, she made an attempt to lar
whiskey in the prohibition territory
Alaska, and for this she has fallen in the hands of the United States authorities and by them has been ordered to be sold fifteen days hence. The Laurada was in the hands of Receiver James Carroll, in the case of A. E. Cronenwett v. Boston & Alaskan S.S. Co., and was necessary to have it delivered to the marshal of the district court fore it could be proceeded against miralty. The prosecution is on behalf of the United States, and the informaion alleges two attempts to export distilled spirits from Seattle to ports

Alaska, and one attempt to import ituous liquors into the territory of Alaska. The information specifies that or June 11, 1898, the Laurada attempted to export for Alaska 103 cases of whis key and nine cases of wine, the value being more than \$400, and thirty keg of beer, valued at \$75; on June 16 it is stated that the Laurada cleared from Seattle for St. Michaels, and the regular manifest of cargo filed in this port failed to show spirituous liquors aboard the vessel. It is alleged that the vessel had at that time two barrels and 127 cases of whiskey secreted on board. It is further stated that the liquor was taken to Unalaska, where it was seized by a special customs officer. The Laurada when to sail for Skagway, and a number of passengers had been booked. When notified of the libel proceedings the Washinton & Alaskan S.S. Co. refunded the acy paid for tickets and transferred her freight to the Elihu Thompson. They have chartered another vessel to replace the Laurada.

After lying on a reef near Metlakatla. where she was wrecked on September 16th, for nearly three months, steamer Barbara Boscowitz has been raised and this afternoon, with her colors flying from the stump of her mast, she passed in to her whatf in tow of the steamer Thistle; on which the wreckers who raised her went north. The Thistle left here about two weeks ago with T. P. keel, a la bilge blocks and with the rising of the waters these lifted her, rocks of order, in fact when she was A number of her steam was got up in her and she was engines were kept at work on the down as she took water and kept the pumps busy. She will go on the ways shortly to be repaired, and when completed it is understood she will be placed again in the coasting business by her new owners.

EARMERS' INSTITUTES.

In giving a list in the last issue of the neetings of Farmers' Institutes which have been arranged, mention was omitted that at Salmon Arm, to take place on the 22nd inst. to be addressed by the deputy minister of agriculture and the inspector of fruit pests.

CLOSE OF A CHEQUERED CAREER. Thaddens Harper, One of the Best Known British Columbians, Died To-day.

The news that death has removed Thaddeus Harper will not come as a surprise to Victorians, to whom it has long been known that he was hovering on the threshold. This morning he passed away at the Jubilee hospital, and so ended one of the most remarkable careers that falls to the lot of man.

Thaddeus Harper was a native of West Virging, where he was born sixty-eight Thaddeus Harper was a native of West Virginia, where he was born sixty-eight years ago. He was for some time in the stock raising business in Chill, coming to British Columbia in 1858 with his brother Jerome, who afterwards drowned himself in a bath tub in California while insanc. When the brothers arrived here Jerome went into the stock raising business and for many years supplied the Cariboo marfor many years supplied the Ca ket, amassing a fortune. Thadd lished the first saw mill in Britt bla, opposite Yale, and supplied ling town with lumber at \$100 a

Lord Curzon, has chosen as his secretary a lawyer narred Walter rence, who, in order to take the gives up his position as agent of the of Bedford, which gave him a sa \$50,000. He was in the Indian civice for 10 years and made a report reorganizing the finances of Case of the control of the by reorganizing the finances of Cashm

Sir Chas. Tupper and Lady Tupper passengers from the mainland on Satuevening.

Mines and

Following is the " read at the recent in Vancouver, B. C Messrs, the Direct

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instructions, I left h

ultimo and proceeded

Cayoush creek via Ash I hoped to have got to Mr. J. B. Hastings le taken part in his samp Kagle mine. I was to was only able to arr Mr. Hastings in Lille samples and saw them press company to be r Robbins & Long, in gentlemen were Hastings instructions the samples and send a part of each along as to the seals on tidentity of the samp 1 spent two days a a complete and thore found on inquiry that done his sampling ca unprejudiced way, and visable to follow as in his footsteps, so as pare my results with I was done in the follow feet from the face on nei a sample was take with a chisel from roo distance of three feet cut was made, and s lings from three con were mixed and called west side of the tunn similar manner, also vein, commencing at of the cleared face cutting two furrows The roof was also s small pieces off all The samples were down to dust and si hand hammer, mixe sampling cloth and and one-sixteenth pa sent from Lillooet press. The samples weighed altogether a The length of the feet from the outsi feet at west side, or vhat was the The section is about The face consists of quartz, with a large

neavily charged The sampling done on a length ness of the vein ing from about 7 to The tunnel starts the vein and runs the hanging wall. supposition that the towards the north weather and the on the ground amining the conti and its warious outco I did see leads me to dips towards the w west, the direction therefore on the The outcrop of the the bluff rises tow this apparent throwing the angles to the din. I regret that on the level-prever ining the propose advantageous means n conveying mate Golden Eagle mine a not favor the properties would not en

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Outside, sample

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Roof of tunnel
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gentlemen, Your obedien J. A. The Porto A letter received ye Irwin, the manager owned by the Canadation, Limited, and siding, north of Ym the new 10-stamp miterday and is rimning. terday and is running. The Porto Rico's sp ment is now in comp The concentrator and tion, while the tramw and the compressor are all in shape. are all in shape. will be pushed, and

Your foreman, Mr. extended to me all

and hospitality. I ha