TO PREVENT LEAKS IN THE RESERVOIR

Engineer Smith, If Backed by Legal Opinion, Will Wrestle With Smith's Hill

The reservoir is to be permanently fixed. Instructions were given to City Engineer Smith Friday to go on and do the job at once. If necessary Engineer Smith will go to Seattle first and see just how the reservoir there was repaired when it was discovered committing the same sin at the receptacle at Smith's hill.

This time the reservoir is to be repaired as it was never repaired before. "No more tinkering," said the mayor, and then proceeded to tell the engineer just how the thing that has puzzled the engineering fraternity of the province and other places, shall be done.

In language that appeared to the uneducated engineering mind very technical and learned, the mayor told the engineer where all these experts who have examined it have been at fault, and advised the engineer to let the water out and caulk the seams in the same way a ship's sides are caulked. Any depressions on the floor of the reservoir could be remedied quickly.

When the mayor got through the engineer remarked quietly: "I don't think the mayor's plan would be successful," and sat down again.

Nevertheless the reservoir is to be the engineer's immediate charge. There is at present an eight-foot depth of water, and the leakage is slight. The mayor said it should be tested to 20 feet, and water then let out, and the depressions in the floor made over. He was afraid the foundations would wash away or weaken by the constant contact with water for the past two years if effective repairs were not made.

The aldermen agreed that the reservoir should be made useful at once, because the summer approaching meant a greater need of supply for house service and for fire protection. The fire chief wated the water supply amplified for summer. The engineer emptied the reservoir ten days ago and found very little leak. It is his intention, he said to run it higher and estimate the leakage.

The matter was finally placed in the hands of the engineer, who favors a water-proof lining which, according to his report last year, will cost $7,000. His report had been side-tracked, and tenders were called for on the "no cure, no pay" system, without response. The work the engineer will now undertake will be subject to the powers the council has to direct him under the enabling act.

The engineer will seek the solicitor's advice, and if the solicitor's advice is in the affirmative then Engineer Smith will begin.

"DOLLAR DIPLOMACY."

Attacks Upon President Taft and U. S. Secretary of State Knox.

Madison, Wis., March 4.—"Dollar Diplomacy," Japanese exclusion and a strong scorching of President Taft and Secretary Knox, in connection with those themes, is the central interest this week in La Follette's magazine. The paper in its leading article says:

"The Taft-Knox dollar diplomacy has scored again. This time it is on trade with Japan. America has abandoned its right to exclude Japanese laborers, leaving in its place a 'gentleman's agreement," which, without a treaty provision, is nothing. In return, if there is any consideration given it must be found in the likelihood that certain New York bankers will be permitted to participate in concessions for the construction of Manchurian railroads.

"Dollar diplomacy is more interested in Morgan concessions than in Japanese exclusion. Dollar diplomacy traded the navy secrets for contracts for the Schwab shipbuilding company. It is meddling in Turkey to get more concessions for American financiers. What next? Is there anything more, anything which Taft and Knox will not give to foreign nations in exchange for the 'business' desired by their Wall Street friends?"

CONVICTED OF FORGERY.

Broughton Brandenburg, Magazine Writer, Collapses When Sentenced.

New York, March 4. — Broughton Brandenburg, magazine writer, was convicted of forgery here yesterday and was sentenced by Judge Swann to not less than two years nor more than four years in Sing Sing.

Brandenburg was convicted of having passed a forged cheque. When arrested he forfeited his bail but was recaptured in Hoboken.

In the last national campaign Brandenburg sold what purported to be a letter the late President Cleveland wrote denouncing William J. Bryan, and the Republicans used it as a campaign document until it was pronounced a forgery. Brandenburg was acquitted of the charge of having forged this letter.

When he was sentenced Brandenburg collapsed.

DEMOCRAT'S NEW "HOPE."

Kansas City, March 4.—In the person of James A. Reed, United States senator-elect from Missouri, a new "hope" in the Democratic presidential race is being boomed here as the result of a statement by Former Governor Haskell of Oklahoma, that the southwest can name the next White House candidate.

"The six Democratic states of the southwest," said Haskell, "can control the Democratic national convention next year if they pull together. Oklahoma and the whole southwest thinks as much of Jim Reed as Missouri does. He has always been ready to help us. He may be the next Democratic candidate."

Haskell's southwest embraces Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Kansas. Haskell includes the latter because he says it can be reclaimed from Republican control.

MOVEMENT FOR GOOD ROADS SPREADS

Ontario Legislature Urged to Deal With Demand for Improvements

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, March 4.—H. S. Carpenter, superintendent of highways in Saskatchewan, addressed the concluding session of the Ontario Good Roads convention on the subject of government aid to rural municipalities in Saskatchewan. Many districts in that section, he said, were settled by well to do farmers who were anxious to assume increased responsibilities in conducting their local affairs.

The report of the committee on resolutions recommended that the provincial legislature be asked to deal with the growing demand for good roads.

HENLEY'S FIREMAN MEXICAN CHAMPION

Leaves Stokehold After Winning Fight and is Now Travelling on Stage

While the steamship Henley, which arrived in port this morning, was lying at Salina Cruz loading freight for her northbound trip, a prize fight between George Baker, one of the firemen of the vessel, and reputed to be the champion boxer on the Henley, and Magritto, a negro heavyweight who considered himself champion of Mexico, was arranged. On the night it was scheduled to be held the whole ship's crew and many of the officers made their way to the arena to cheer their comrade on to victory.

The negro had a slight advantage in weight but the fireman made up for this in science. For eight rounds the fight continued, when Baker won on a foul, the negro, who was badly beaten up, looking upon this method as his only way to avoid a knockout. The fight was a gruelling affair and both men took considerable punishment. The Englishman was the aggressor during the greater part of the fight and landed frequently, but when the big black bore in upon him he was rushed to the ropes and there hammered with stiff rights and lefts.

As the fight developed it was plain to be seen that the white hope was in better condition than his opponent and in the eighth round had his man on the go. Pounding his head and body with all the strength that was in his brawny arm, Baker soon had the negro groggy, and it was evident that the black would not be able to hold out much longer before the stoker's battering rams. In a desperate rally Magritto forced the fireman into his corner and slipped over a punch which floored his stocky opponent. The referee, however, decided that it was a foul blow and awarded the fight to Baker.

For some time Baker was the idol of the ship, but soon a show manager visited the Henley to see the fighter and presented such a fine proposition to Baker that he decided to forget about the stoke-hold, left the ship and is now on the stage in Mexico.

FITTING NEW BLADES TO STEAMER'S SCREW

Princess Victoria Floated Into Dry-Dock—Will Also Have Her Hull Painted

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Returning from Vancouver at 2.15 o'clock this afternoon, the C. P. R. steamer Princess Victoria, Captain Hickey, proceeded around to Esquimalt after her passengers had disembarked, and was floated into dry dock to have a new blade fitted to one of her propellors and also to have her hull scraped and painted. The work will necessitate the lying up of the fast ferry steamer for two days, one of which is her regular lie-over, and she will be back on the triangular run Monday.

A short time ago the Victoria struck a submerged log with her propellor and broke a blade. The damage reduced the speed of the vessel very little and as she had been greatly needed since then she was not laid up before. Now that the Princess Adelaide is again ready for service the Victoria is able to have her injury attended to. While the new blade is being placed in position a large gang of painters will be employed in scraping the hull of the Victoria and applying a coat of paint.

The Princess Victoria will not be laid up for her annual overhauling for several weeks, until the Charlotte is ready to take her place. When both these fast steamers have completed their overhauling they will be in the best of shape for the spring and summer rush on the triangular service. With the oil-burners installed both vessels will increase their speed considerably.

Yesterday the new steamer Princess Mary returned from Esquimalt after being on the B. C. Marine ways for an overhauling. Her hull, which was dirty and grimy after the long trip from Scotland, is now looking fine with the new coat of black and red paint.

The introduction of alfalfa into Argentina has made it possible to market cattle a year younger than when the animals were fed upon native grasses.

Corncobs compressed into blocks and treated with a waterproofing liquid are used as building material in some sections of Germany and Russia.

WILL HOLD OVER THE FORT STREET PAVING

Council Finds This Work is Beyond Its Power Under Enabling Act

In the enabling act two apparently conflicting sections caused the city fathers to ask their solicitor for an opinion, and the result is a decision that contracts for paving Fort and View streets will be held over.

Among the additions made on Tuesday last to the powers of the council was that of continuing and completing work on these two streets, but then there is also the absolute prohibition in regard to construction not started or for which no contract has been let.

The city solicitor's opinion was as follows:

"This sub-section must be read with the clause at the end of the section. If sub-section "J" stood alone there would be no question, but that the whole of the work to be done on Fort street, whether done under contract or not, could be completed; but when the council is prohibited from entering into a new contract for new work the latter clause of the act will over-ride the former clause and the question then becomes whether or not the work is to be treated as old work or new. As to this I have very considerable doubt; in one view of the matter, the Fort street widening scheme having been adopted by the council of 1910, having been sent to the people on the basis of the street being asphalted and having been adopted by them, it seems to me it could be treated as old work, on the other hand it is a new contract.

"I consulted with the city engineer, and he informs me that the work of sidewalking Fort street, and laying the necessary piping will take much longer to do than the work of asphalting, which can be completed within six weeks from the time they start.

"We are both of opinion that no delay will be experienced by refusing to let contracts now, and in view of the very considerable doubt that there is in my mind as to whether or not the later clauses of the section do not absolutely over-ride this section "J" in this one particular, I shall recommend that the council do not open the tenders which will be received to-night for the paving of Fort street and View street.

"I have to take the entire responsibility of the publication of the advertisement as my impression was that we could go ahead with Fort street and View street improvement in their entirety; and I was then under the impression that the asphalt contracts were urgent, but when I find that in all probability, if the contracts are let, the work cannot be done during the interregnum until the new election, I am unwilling to assume the responsibility of advising upon this contradictory section.

"I might add that in view of sub-section "F" my original view would seem to be confirmed but the consequences of a mistake would be so serious as to be only justified, it seems to me, by the extreme urgency of the matter."

The lieutenant-governor-in-council will be asked by a deputation consisting of Aldermen Gleason and Moresby, the city solicitor, the city barrister and the city engineer for an interpretation of this and other clauses of the act.

NEW EXPRESS RATES.

Railway Commission Order Went Into Effect on Wednesday.

As the new express rates ordered by the Railway Commission came into force on March 1 the Dominion Express Company issued a circular letter for the information of agents and the public. This is in part as follows:—

"Express Classification for Canada, No. 2, approved by the Board of Railway Commissioners, will be in effect from March 1, 1911. Many changes have been made in the classification, and it is therefore very necessary that agents and employees should familiarize themselves with it.

"It will be noted that this classification requires charges to be made on all returned empties. The Railway Commission has ruled, however, that for a period of four months outstanding empties, that is, empties that have been received full by express previous to March 1st, may be returned subject to Classification No. 16 and supplements thereto—provided that each shipper entitled to such return files with the express companies within thirty days a verified statement of such empties, stating in whose hands and at what points such empties are outstanding.

"New receipt forms approved by the Railway Commission will be sent out. Shippers who use receipts bound in book form should be supplied with the new forms and instructed to use them commencing March 1 and not before. Drivers and other employees should be instructed to sign only the new forms after March 1."

POST OFFICE BUSINESS.

Business through the mails continues to increase in an astonishing manner, as may be seen from the following data of business at the Victoria post office for the month of February:

Sale of stamps in 1910, $7,003.13; in 1911, $8,416.06.

Money orders issued in 1910, 2,381; amount, $31,308.18; in 1911, 3,048; amount, $42,719.48.

Money orders paid in 1910, 1,681; amount, $33,766.80; in 1911, 1,720; amount, $39,366.67.

Postal notes sold in 1910, 1,496; amount, $8,410.07; in 1911, 1,634; amount, $3,083.10.

Postal notes paid in 1910, 1,172; amount, $2,781.94; in 1911, 1,134; amount, $2,101.63.

AUTO FATALITY.

San Francisco, Cal., March 3.—Edward Casserly, a deputy assessor who was struck Thursday night by Assessor Dodge's automobile, died yesterday without regaining consciousness.

CHIEF OF POLICE GOES BACK TO JAIL

Escapes After Being Sentenced for Murder, but is Recognized and Arrested

Danville, Virginia, March 4.—After escaping from a murderer's cell and serving five years here as chief of police under an assumed name, Edgar Stripling has been taken to Harris county, Georgia, to resume his life behind the bars.

After Stripling, who was known as R. E. Morris while chief of police here, was recognized as the escaped Georgia slayer, he bade farewell to his wife and family and stated back to a cell. Petitions are already in circulation for his pardon by Governor Smith of Georgia.

"I expected to be recognized some time," said Stripling. "In fact, I courted publicity, as I felt I did no wrong in killing William Corbett, who attacked my sister. Corbett was trying to get out his gun when I fired. I simply got him before he got me, but his friends were in the majority at the trial and I was sentenced to prison for life.

"That was in 1897. I managed to escape and lived for some time in several places under the name of Morris. When I came to Danville seven years ago I got a job as night watchman for the Southern railway and then sent for my wife and children.

"I am confident that when the Governor of Georgia examines the evidence in my case, he will pardon me. I was justified in slaying Corbett and since I escaped from prison I have shown the world that my character is right."

Stripling's arrest resulted from a Georgia drummer recognizing him and reporting his discovery to the Harris county authorities. Morris was sitting in his office in full uniform when the Georgia sheriff arrived and served his warrant. Morris said he was willing to go and his wife and children met him at the train and bade him goodbye.

COMMENCING WHALING OPERATIONS SHORTLY

Stations to Be Opened Within Two Weeks — Green is Leaving on Monday

Within two weeks the Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company will open the three whaling stations at Sechart, Kyuquot and Rose Harbor for the season, and all the whaling steamers will be out on the hunt for the mighty mammals. Ten vessels will engage in the work, the five old ones, the William Grant, Orion, St. Lawrence, Germania and Sebastian, and the new whalers, the White, Black and Green, which arrived in port last week, and the Yellow and Red, now on their way from Norway.

On Monday the Green will leave for Nanaimo to coal and will later proceed to the West Coast. The other vessels will in turn sign their crews, and, after coaling, head for the station to which they have been assigned. When the new Naden Hadbor station is completed several of the boats will be withdrawn from the older stations and sent North.

Prospects for one of the best seasons in the history of the whaling company is promised this year. Last season but five vessels were operated and three stations, but with 10 boats an four stations to prepare the whales for shipment, is is plainly visible that the catch will be exceedingly large. Last year has the record for the number of whales captured, but this season will undoubtedly surpass the preceding one by a surprisingly large number.

Many men will be employed both on the whalers and at the stations during the summer. At times the four stations will have their hands full in keeping pace with the heavy catches of the whalers, according to some of the officials. There will be a keen competition between the men of each vessel as to which will succeed in landing the largest catch for the season.

AUSTRO-ITALIAN RELATIONS STRAINED

Agitation in Italy to Regain Trieste and Trient—Troops for the Frontier

London, March 4.—The agitation in Italy to regain possession of Trieste and Trient from Austria took active form yesterday when the government hurried troops and guns to the frontier. Dispatches say Austria also is rushing soldiers toward the border.

Further evidence that the relations between Austria, Germany and Italy are strained is seen in the announcement that Emperors William and Francis Joseph will not visit King Victor Emmanuel during the celebration of the jubilee of Italy's unification.

PEARY THANKS CONGRESS.

Washington, D. C., March 4.—Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the north pole, telegraphed to-day to both houses of congress, thanking them for the recognition extended him. Peary was given the thanks of congress and retired as a rear-admiral on half pay, by a measure passed late last night.

A Japanese scientist claims to have discovedect a method for making oysters produce perfectly spherical pearls, most of the gems being of irregular shape.

HOTELS MUST PAY MORE TO PROVINCE

Amendment to Ontario Liquor License Law Proposed by Hon. W. J. Hanna

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, March 4.—It is expected that under the amendment to the liquor license law proposed by Hon. W. J. Hanna, that even more than $200,000 will find its way to the provincial treasury from the hotel bars in the city of Toronto and about $100,000 from the city of Hamilton. Inquiry into the trade shows that many of the hotels in Toronto do a bar business of about $800 per day for the year round, and that none of the 110 bars will escape the taxation of 5 per cent. on receipts over $40. Under the extension of the veto powers the temperance people expect to see several licenses cut off by the department where the commission has refused to act.

LOCAL NEWS

—The annual meeting of the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League will be held on Wednesday, the 15th inst., in the board of trade rooms.

—A verdict of death from natural causes was found Friday by the coroner's jury in the case of William Muldoon, who was found dead in his room at the Klondike hotel.

—Harold Pellett has been appointed janitor of the Boy's Central school to succeed J. Smith, who has resigned. Nearly 100 applications for the position were sent in.

—The Winnipeg Salvation band will visit Victoria Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 10th, 11th and 12th, when special musical meetings will be held in the Broad street citadel, and Sunday night at 7.30 in the Victoria theatre.

—The recital to be given on the new organ at Centennial church, Gorge road, by G. J. Burnett, will take place on Thursday evening, March 9, one week later than previously announced. Mr. Burnett will present a choice programme of organ music. Mrs. D. C. Reid and Alfred A. Codd will be the assisting soloists, and the choir will sing four good standard numbers.

—City Comptroller Faymur on Friday reported to the council that the introduction of a weekly pay-day system would entail much more work on the officials of the city hall, and add to the expense of the city business. He could not recommend the introduction of the change. His report was adopted, and the weekly pay system will not be introduced.

—Arrangements are now completed for the establishment at Vancouver of a thoroughly equipped conservatory of music. J. D. A. Tripp, the well-known Canadian pianist, is to be appointed principal. The proprietorship will be vested in a joint stock company and will be capitalized at $100,000. Harold Nelson, the well-known Canadian actor, is mentioned as professor of elocution and dramatic art.

—There is every indication that the forthcoming big game season in British Columbia, which opens at the beginning of April, will be a heavy one. Many of the famous guides of Lillooet and Atlin districts are in receipt of communications from European hunters as to the prospects of the season. An increased number of bear hunters in the province is expected.

—Owing to the doubtful position of the council in regard to contracts in connection with Fort street paving, the tenders submitted Friday were not opened. The council appointed a committee to see the executive to-day to ascertain just how far the words "to complete" in the clause of the enabling act will permit them to go in regard to awarding contracts to complete Fort street widening. The executive is to be asked to interpret its own act.

—The dust nuisance on smooth streets is a matter which the city engineer said Friday at the board of works meeting he thought he could control. He did not say how, but remarked that the difficulty increased with the extension of smooth, paved thoroughfares. Water carts will soon be placed at work for the cty, having purchased eight horses for garbage work and being without dump carts, will use the horses to draw the water carts. As the horses are reported to be eating ther heads off and the dust is flying plentifully, the board decided the horses could get busy very soon. The engineer has the matter in hand.

—The medical health officer reported to the board of health Friday that the city health in general is good. Seven infectious cases had been treated at the Isolation hospital. Good progress is being made with the new buildings. He asked the board to pass an account of $26 for clothing purchased for a patient whose wardrobe had been destroyed to prevent infection. The mayor, scanning the items, remarked the price was reasonable, but he did not suppose the aldermen would care to have the items read out. The sum was passed without the mayor itemizing the garments.

—The young people at the First Baptist church enjoyed a very interesting session at their weekly meeting on Monday evening. The programme consisted of a debate, the subject being "Resolved that foreign missions are of more importance than home missions," resulting in a victory for the affirmative, decided by a vote from the audience. Rev. Mr. Warmicker acted as critic. The debate was supplemented by several musical selections which were all heard with much pleasure, bringing to a close one of the most successful evenings this society has known.

SPEEDING AUTO RUNS DOWN CYCLIST

Occupants of Car Continue on Way, Ignoring Their Injured Victim

Toronto, March 4.—Driving along Bloor street at a high rate of speed last night an automobile ran down Edward Jacobs, who was riding on a bicycle, dragged him a whole block entangled in the machine and when he was shaken loose they shot up Clinton street at about 50 miles an hour, never turning their heads to see if their victim had been killed. Many people witnessed the accident, but owing to the high speed of the auto and the clouds of dust raised none could see the number of the car or get a description of its occupants.

Jacobs was seriously injured. He has a deep cut over the right eye, his scalp is badly torn, a number of ribs are broken and his right leg is fractured, and the doctors fear that he cannot recover.

PENALTY ORDERED IN POSTAL CASE

One Cent Per Letter on 9,164 Communications is the Fine Against Baxter and Johnson

In the police court on Saturday the firm of Baxter and Johnson, importers, Yates street, was fined the sum of $91.64 for having mailed 9,164 letters through the post office without having paid sufficient postage according to the requirements of the post office act.

The fine was ordered, without costs, at the direction of the court of appeal, to which the case was taken by the department when Acting-Magistrate C. J. Prior gave a decision in favor of the defendant company at the police court trial.

The verdict of the appeal court is that where letters are to be mailed requiring two cents postage for delivery from the point at which the sender is located, these can not be freighted to the city of their destination and mailed there, for the purpose of taking advantage of the one-cent city rate now in force.

The fine of one cent per letter is against the number of letters Baxter and Johnston freighted through the Dominion Express Company for mailing at Vancouver for Vancouver addresses. On discovery of the evasion, the post office inspector gave the firm the opportunity of paying the one cent postage required in addition to the one cent postage paid for Vancouver delivery. The firm refused the offer but asked for it subject to a subtraction of the freight paid between Victoria and Vancouver to the Dominion Express Company. The departmental inspector refused to consider the offer and prosecuted.

The prosecution was defeated in the appeal court. In refusing costs this morning the magistrate said the firm had costs of the appeal to pay and he would not add to these. An alternative of ten days' imprisonment was ordered.

BENCH SHOW JUDGE AT LAST SECURED

James Cole, of Kansas, Consents to Act—Premium List to Be Arranged

Everything is now under way for the biggest bench show ever held in the city of Victoria. The judge has been secured and the only thing left to do is to obtain a suitable hall.

A letter was received yesterday from James Cole, of Kansas City, Kansas, saying that he consented to act as judge in the coming show and would arrive in Victoria on March 27. The committee are trying to get the drill hall.

Entries are expected from all over the Northwest, but the majority will come from Vancouver and Seattle. It is quite probable, however, that Portland, Tacoma and some of the towns in California will be represented. The mainlanders will not have it all their own way in any case, for, besides the large number of entries from local dog circles, there will be a few from the upper part of the Island. One fancier in Cowichan claims he has some prize-winners and will contribute about a dozen entries.

The committee will start work on the premium list next week and as soon as that has been arranged the entries will begin to come in. The show is to be held on the last two days of this month and on the first day of the next.

TACOMA RECALL ELECTION.

Tacoma, Wash., March 4.—Recall petitions against City Commissioners Roys, Freeland, Lawson and Woods will, it is announced, be filed with the city clerk Monday, the requisite number of signatures already having been secured. Each commissioner received practically an even number of signers. The date for the recall election has not yet been set.

SCANDINAVIANS ARE GOOD SETTLERS

Danish Vice Consul Ward Writes Development League for Information on Island

The local branch of the Vancouver Island Development League is in receipt of a letter from W. A. Ward, the Royal Danish vice-consul for British Columbia, inquiring for information regarding the suitability of the island for the settlement of Scandinavians and other northern European peoples. The league has replied to him, explaining the fact that there are already several Scandinavian communities settled on the island as well as a host of individuals of that nationality scattered throughout the towns.

As is well known there are large numbers of Scandinavians at Holberg, San Josef and Cape Scott. The league has pointed out to the prominent enquirer that the districts named are peculiarly adapted to the capabilities of the men who have, in their own countries, been taught to earn their livelihood by combining the labors of farming and fishing. These places abound in natural advantages of the richest possible description, and only require men and women to bring them to the highest state of cultivation.

The rewards of labor in such places are always high, and would well repay quite any effort expended upon their development. The league has also intimated its willingness to co-operate in any effort that may be made to bring out immigrants. The league considers that Scandinavians are among the most desirable type of settlers that come to Canada ,and they want more of them on Vancouver Island.

It is a far cry from Scandinavia to Mexico, yet the same mail brought the league another inquiry from the latter place. The writer in this instance was Louise J. Biggar, of the city of Mexico. What she desired was a book dealing with the conditions on the island as a whole, and the league is forwarding her a copy of their new book whenever it comes off the press, which it is expected to do about the 12th instant. In the meantime they have sent her a copy of their most recent publication on the subject. She is getting up a book of descriptive geography in the Latin-American countries for commercial and educational purposes, and was desirous of obtaining a book dealing with Vancouver Island.

5TH REGIMENT C. G. A.

Regimental Orders by Lt.-Col. A. Currie, Commanding.

Headquarters,
Victoria, B. C., March 1, 1911.

1. Parade—The regiment will parade at headquarters on Thursday next, the 9th instant, at 8 p. m. Dress, drill order. At this parade the prizes awarded by the Dominion Artillery Association will be presented by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. At the conclusion of the parade a band concert will be given, and the regiment will "At Home" to friends on this occasion.
2. Enlisted—The following men have been duly attested are taken on the strength from March 1st: No. 114, Gnr. James Robinson; No. 126, Gnr. William Berry; No. 126, Gnr. Joseph Wiley.
3. Dismissed Drill.—The following are dismissed recruit drill by Adjutant: No. 98, Gnr. J. Robson; No. 126, Tptr. J. Wiley.
4. Appointment.—The Officer Commanding has been pleased to approve the following: No. 165, T. H. Brenen, to be gunner from date.
5. Officers' Meeting.—The regular monthly meeting of the Officers' Mess will be held in the drill hall on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 8.30 p. m. Dress, undress uniform.
6. Sergeants' Meeting.—The regular monthly meeting of the Sergeants' Mess will be held in the drill hall on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 8 p. m. in mufti.
7. Regimental Association.—A general meeting of the Regimental Association will be held in the drill hall on Wednesday next, the 8th instant, at 8.30 p. m., when all members are requested to attend.
8. Regimental Orders.—It is notified for general information that in future a copy of Regimental Orders will be posted up inside the lobby of the General Post Office, corner of Government and Humboldt Streets.

(Signed) P. T. STERN, Captain,
Acting Adjutant.

—Mr. McKeown has awarded to F. H. Bale the contract for a residence to be erected on Cambridge street.

—It is thought likely that Hon. F. Taylor, minister of public works, will be sworn in as minister of railways in addition about the beginning of next month, and meanwhile the organization of the new department will be arranged for.

—Owing to the fact that the council, by the enabling act, can award contracts, the tenders for the two new fire halls, which it is proposed to erect cannot be considered. The bids will be returned to the tenderers unopened, and can be had on application to the purchasing agent.

—The work of preparing a new voters' list for Victoria has already been entered upon by Harold B. Robertson, who, it is understood, will in the course of the next few days be appointed the special commissioner for that purpose. The work of compiling and revising the list is expected to occupy about four weeks, and the election for mayor and aldermen may be expected to be brought on some time about the middle of April.