

The Weekly Times

Victoria, Friday, August 25, 1893. MR. CUTTER'S GREAT SCHEME.

According to the San Francisco Call a gentleman named Cutter has originated a most remarkable scheme, which will surely bring him high distinction.

Whereas, that portion of the coast of North America bordering on the Pacific Ocean and extending from latitude 49 deg. to 54 deg. 40 min. north, now called British Columbia, should, by its geographical position, naturally belong to the United States, therefore...

Be it enacted, etc., that the President of the United States be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to enter into negotiations with the British government for the purpose of acquiring by purchase for the United States the ownership in entirety of the said now called British Columbia...

One might have supposed that this was meant for a joke, only that Mr. Cutter and the Call gravely discuss the matter to the extent of some three columns. The Call also returned to the subject next day and argued with most admirable wisdom in support of the scheme.

We are indebted to our morning "Situation" for a piece of news of a most profound importance. It is that a bill is to be introduced in Congress providing for the purchase of British Columbia for \$100,000,000 in gold on the installment plan, or in silver bullion in bulk.

The idea of considering the purchase of British Columbia with the settlement of the silver question is a peculiarly happy one. Of course England can get all the silver she wants now, and she has persistently resisted all attempts to induce her to make a more extended use of that metal in her coinage.

The Vancouver organ still dwells upon the magnificent feat of the Davie government in "downing" Deputy Minister Lowe in the census matter. Inasmuch as Mr. Lowe's report was most obvious to even the careless observer, it is hard to understand why the government is to be congratulated.

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by the coast press; nor would it have proposed, if there had been such hostility, to visit the sins of the press on the merchants of the coast towns.

Hon. Peter Mitchell, in an interview on the Behring Sea award, said that most decidedly Canada and England have been eminently successful in all their contentions.

Lord Ripon, colonial secretary, has taken the trouble to send the following cable to Ottawa: "Administrator, government of Canada:—Without waiting the official report of the arbitration award, I will not delay my congratulations to Canada on Hon. Mr. Tupper's success as British agent in securing the freedom of the seas and maintaining the legal right of Canadian ships, while at the same time thanking the Dominion Government for having spared the premier to give his valuable services as arbitrator."

GENERAL DISPATCHES.

News in Brief From Various Parts of the World.

Fresno, Cal., Aug. 19.—There is no change in the labor situation this morning. Everything is quiet and no further demonstrations against the Chinese are anticipated.

San Francisco, Aug. 19.—Daniel J. Daly has been held to answer before the superior courts for manslaughter in the \$5,000 bonds for the killing of John Carroll. He has already been found guilty of manslaughter for causing the death of John Lawton.

Santa Cruz, Cal., Aug. 19.—James Neary, who stabbed and killed his wife last Thursday night, has been held to answer on the charge of murder without bond.

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 19.—Win. Witman, the absconding agent of the American Express Co. at Springfield, Ill., who recently fled from that place, and who was reported to have gone into Mexico, is voluntarily called on Sheriff Hill of this city to answer for more than \$2,000 of the embezzled funds.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 19.—Dr. D. G. Foster, surgeon of the 14th regiment, N. G. P., and one of the best physicians in western Pennsylvania, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself in the head at his home at Crafton. There is no known reason for the deed.

New York, Aug. 18.—It is said the big diamond exhibit at the World's Fair, has been bought by Mrs. Charles T. Yerkes, wife of the Chicago street railway king. The price paid is quoted at \$100,000. The diamond is about the size of a small walnut.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 18.—Burglars got into John Willis' house last night and stole watches and jewelry, the property of Mrs. Hoffman. Mr. Ellis and daughter, who were sleeping in the room, were awakened by the noise and saw the robbers while the family were dining.

Wichita, Kas., Aug. 18.—Joseph Weirich, a farmer living west of this town, nearly succeeded in killing himself on Wednesday in a curious fashion. He was found sitting on a freshly dug grave with his head and shoulders above the surface, putting the earth in over himself. Within his reach was a bottle of laudanum, which would doubtless have been emptied but for the timely arrival of the searching party.

Fresno, Aug. 19.—To-day Judge Harris, in conformity to a rule adopted by the superior court a month ago, transferred from his department to that of Judge Webb the cases of Richard S. Heath, Frederick W. Polley and John Louis B. McWhirter for the murder of Louis B. McWhirter a year ago.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—The Anderson Pressed Brick Company made an assignment to-day. The plant is valued at \$350,000 and there are about \$200,000 worth of completed brick in stock. The liabilities are chiefly to stockholders.

Pueblo, Col., Aug. 18.—Bank Examiner J. Sam Brown to-day gave permission to the Central National bank, which suspended July 15, to resume business Monday morning. The American and Commercial National banks, which suspended the same day, have received permission from Comptroller Eckels to resume, and are rapidly complying with the conditions required.

Kansas City, Aug. 19.—Warrants for the arrest of J. C. Darragh, president of the suspended Kansas City Safe, Deposit and Savings bank, and Elmer C. Sattley, his cashier, were issued to-day. They are each charged with grand larceny, and the specific accusation is receiving deposits four days before the bank's failure, well knowing the bank was then in a failing condition.

New York, Aug. 19.—The City Bank of Buffalo has devised a new scheme for temporary relief of the financial stringency. Briefly stated, the plan is for the City Bank to issue New York drafts in uniform sums of \$1, \$2, \$5 and \$10, payable to bearer, and let them be passed from hand to hand as cash until it becomes convenient to redeem them in government currency.

NANAIMO. Nanaimo, Aug. 18.—The sculling match trophy attracted a large crowd. There were only five entries: R. Eastman, J. and R. Dignan, A. Thatcher and H. Martin. The trophy had already been won by the first named, but it was essential before it became his property.

The secretary of the Tailors' Union claims that it is not a ten per cent. reduction that is asked for by their employers, but that it ranges in some instances up to 55 per cent. So far the breach between employer and employee is as wide as ever.

James Snowden, the miner who was injured a few days ago in No. 5 shaft, has succumbed to his injuries. The deceased will be buried under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. and the M. & M. L. P. A.

Nearby all the residents who have been occupying a portion of Newcastle Island, under canvas, have returned to their respective homes well satisfied with the enjoyment of their temporary abode afforded them.

New Westminster, Aug. 18.—Two Chinamen were sentenced to three months in jail for violating the law yesterday for selling whisky to Indians.

The city is now free from diphtheria, and the schools will re-open on the 21st inst.

A kennel club is being organized and will hold a show during the exhibition.

The canner, who has petitioned the authorities at Ottawa to extend the time of the sockeye salmon season, G. E. Corbould, M.P., is expecting a favorable reply daily.

Godfrey Schmidt of this city was bit yesterday in Oppenheimer's store, by a scorpion on the left arm. He was handing a bunch of bananas when the beast got up his sleeve. His arm is now twice its natural size, and very painful.

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The C. P. R. is laying the dog in the manger game with fresh salmon shipments. It has raised prices for transportation to such figures that shippers could not find orders at a profit.

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The assertion is made that the multitude of nets at the mouth of the Fraser is driving the salmon away in search of new streams. The fishermen here 190 at one haul of the net. The catch in the river continues low.

Chief Huston of the New Westminster police force is going to Ottawa on the 19th inst.

Vancouver, Aug. 19.—The report on the condition of labor, prepared by the committee of the Trades and Labor Council, states that a number of members of various trades in the city are idle. The numbers are the only trade all employed. Stone cutters, printers and tailors have the least work.

The prevailing wages are lower than in the Sound cities.

A scheme is on foot to put on a steamer from Vancouver to Honolulu.

How to Get "Sunlight" Pictures. Send 25 "Sunlight" soap wrappers (wrapper bearing the words "Why Does a Woman Look Old Sooner Than a Man") to Lever Brothers, Limited, 43 Scott street, Toronto, Ont., and you will receive by post a pretty picture, free from advertising and well worth framing.

True Philanthropy. To the Editor:—Please inform your readers that I will mail free to all sufferers the means by which I was restored to health by my only vigor after years of suffering from Nervous Weakness. I was robbed and I am now well and happy. I know to all, I will send free and confidentially to anyone who particularly desires how I was cured. My address is: Mr. EDWARD MARTIN (Teacher), P. O. Box 145, Detroit, Mich.

Belief in Six Hours.—Distressing kidney and bladder diseases relieved by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise to pass title, and being drawn on New York they save both the collaterals deposited with the local bankers' association and the money on deposit in New York to secure the holder against loss.

WOMEN'S WORK AT THE FAIR

Miss Cameron Writes About the Women's Building.

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The Women's building is a most magnificent structure, really not a feature of the World's Exposition, but rather is it within itself an international exhibition, perfect in every detail and unmitigated in scope; all the unassisted work of woman. Contributions have been made and exhibits forwarded from women in every clime under the sun.

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