

Sons of Yorkshire

Hold Their First Annual Banquet at the Imperial Hotel.

A Merry Evening Spent with Jollity, Speech and Song.

The "tykes" of Victoria that is, the Yorkshire society, recently formed, spent several hours at the Imperial hotel last night, in the first of what are to be annual jovial reunions. The pretty dining room of the newly opened hotel was filled with the sons of old Yorkshire. Lt. Col. Prior, the president, sat at the head of the table, with vice-presidents Canon Beaulieu and Col. Wolfenden on either side. The "Yorkshire pudding" and the lesser dishes (for of course the whole of the menu in the eyes of the Yorkshiremen are lesser, in view of the Yorkshire pudding—as sacred to them as the haggis to the Scotsman—having been enjoyed, the remainder of the evening was spent in speech and song.

As befits the loyal sons of Yorkshire, the first toast of the evening was that to the health of the Queen. This was proposed by the president, Col. Prior, and drank amid cheers, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. The toast to the Army, Navy and Volunteers was, per programme, to have been proposed by Thomas C. Sorby, but the fire having attracted that gentleman from the banquetting hall Mr. Joseph Pierson did the honors in his stead. He spoke of how the members of his own family were at the front, and of the troops he had known in South Africa, the Natal Carabiniers, the Cape Mounted Rifles, and other Ulster corps which had not, he was sorry to say, been treated as well as they might have, by their "at home." He wished them all Her Majesty's forces strength, health and victory.

After all present had lustily sung the "Red, White and Blue," Col. Prior responded. He said just now numbers of his friends were paying attention to Mr. Paul Kruger, and to-day, in a most appropriate day to spend in that regard, for by the church abanac it was the anniversary of the conversion of St. Paul. To-day our soldiers are converting Oom Paul, not quickly, but slowly and surely. He will soon be converted from a Dutchman to a good British subject.

Capt. Walbran, who, as Col. Prior put it, represented "The Canadian navy," followed with an eulogy of "the handy man," as the poet has called the sailor. He spoke of the battles of England's heroes on the sea, and in closing referred to the Canadian navy, which now, he said, consisted of eleven vessels.

Col. Wolfenden also responded, telling of the scenes he had witnessed when he joined the service in 1855, at the time when the British soldiers were leaving, as to-day, for war; then for the Crimea. He had seen the soldiers come back many wounded and had seen the Queen welcome them. He was glad to see the same martial spirit extant to-day as in those days, not only in Britain but to the length and breadth of her colonies. If he was a young man, he would have been glad to join the volunteers from here. As to Gen. Warren's successes, he had a personal interest in that officer, for he had taught the general his first lessons in rifle and musketry at Chatham when Warren was but eighteen years of age.

Bombardier Naylor responded for the men in the barracks across the harbor, speaking of how agreeable it was to find volunteers so sociable. He and his comrades, he said, would readily go to the front, but the government would not give them a chance. They would though, some time.

Mr. Henry Moxon sang "Red, White and Blue." Canon Beaulieu proposed "Our Native Country," to which, after those present had sung that "They Were Jolly Good Fellows," Mr. John Pierson, of "York," responded. He spoke of his two trips around the world, and of his meetings everywhere with Yorkshiremen, and of the many famous men of Yorkshire. The present society, he hoped, would be a long-lived one.

W. F. Fullerton responded, telling of the prominence of Yorkshiremen and of his native city, Huddersfield, and its prominence in matters musical. Jos. Pearson also told of the prominence of Yorkshiremen and of how they and "Birmingham-buttens" were to be found all over the world.

Mr. Firth sang "Powder Monkey Jim" and then Mr. Herbert Cuthbert toasted "Our Adopted Country." Here he had the same spirit. The same loyalty was to be felt as in old Yorkshire, for none were more loyal than they of British Columbia. Yorkshiremen had, he said, made their presence felt. There was the president, he had occupied the position of cabinet minister, and it was Yorkshire men who now held three portfolios at the same time; it was a Yorkshireman who raised that fine pile of buildings across the bay, and it was a Yorkshire man who was contractor for the masonry. It was also a Yorkshire man that had planned the gigantic harbor scheme, and a Yorkshireman, Mr. John Pierson, who had built up with his industry a wholesale business second to none here—"and I could go on," said Mr. Cuthbert. Yorkshiremen he held made the most desirable citizens.

Hon. F. Carter-Cotton was to have responded, but he was not being present, Messrs. Rattenbury and Oddy spoke to the toast in his stead.

Mr. Firth sang "The Maple Leaf," all joining heartily in the chorus, and W. F. Winsby proposed the health of the Yorkshire Society of British Columbia, to which Lieut. Col. Prior responded. Mr. W. W. Grimé proposed "The Press," Mr. Fox "The Ladies," for whom Mr. Jesse Longfield responded, and Mr. H. Moxon proposed "The Hostesses," to which Mrs. White, proprietress of the Imperial Hotel, who was respon-

able for the well-arranged tables, responded. The full list of those present is as follows:

Hon. E. G. Prior, M.P., R. Wolfenden, F. M. Rattenbury, W. Clegg, Rev. Canon Beaulieu, John Pierson, E. S. Oddy, H. Moxon, John T. Walbran, Jos. Pierson, James L. Brown, Ralph Grassham, J. Y. Elliott, H. J. Martin, H. S. Ives, Thos. C. Sorby, H. H. Naylor, Samuel Bounding, Fred. Turpin, R. W. Holmes, John Pape, Thomas Whitwell, Joseph Brightwell, Thomas Wilson, H. Garstide, Walter Morris, W. Wallace Grimé, Arthur Longfield, Walter Calvert, Jesse A. L. Longfield, H. S. Henderson, Geo. T. Fox, R. W. Shaw, Wm. R. Atkins, Wm. Holmes, W. Hawksby, S. Sherburn, John Sherburn, W. G. Winsby, F. Malony, Percy Richardson, W. H. Price, Gordon Smith, C. A. Gregg, H. Firth, E. Gosdon, W. F. Fullerton, Herbert Cuthbert, James Martin.

Previous to the banquet a general meeting of the society was held at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Hon. E. G. Prior, M.P.; first vice-president, Canon Beaulieu; second vice-president, Lieut. Col. Wolfenden; secretary, James Martin; treasurer, Herbert Cuthbert.

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VANCOUVER COUNTY COURT.

Judge Bole Has Not Jurisdiction to Sit—A Kamloops Mining Deal.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Jan. 27.—The Full Court to-day delivered the decision that Judge Bole, County Court Judge of New Westminster, had not jurisdiction to sit in Vancouver county. The question of jurisdiction was brought up on the protest of the Law Society.

The manager of the Hotel Vancouver and bride, returned to-day from a wedding trip through the States. To-night they will be presented by the Commercial traders with a handsome clock and candleabra.

L. P. Warner, of Hobson & Warner, Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Co., arrived this afternoon from Cariboo.

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DEATH BENEATH THE WHEELS.

Richard Wilson Falls Between Two Cars and is Instantly Killed.

Shortly before four o'clock yesterday afternoon, Richard Wilson, of 122 Oswego street, a brakeman in the employ of the E. & N. Railway Co., fell between a train of cars and was horribly mangled, death being instantaneous.

The unfortunate occurrence happened at the railroad crossing, and in full view of a tramcar loaded with passengers. It appears that Wilson was attempting to leave the moving train, with the probable intention of manipulating the switch, when he fell. The train was stopped as quickly as possible, but it was too late, the poor fellow having been dragged fully 75 feet beneath the heavy trucks, both legs and one arm being completely severed from his body.

The remains were taken charge of by Mr. H. K. Prior, of the company, and after the police had been notified, removed to the parlors of the B. C. Central Publishing Company, Government street. The train under which Mr. Wilson fell consisted of twenty trucks loaded with coal and lumber, and was approaching Victoria.

Mrs. Wild, who lives in Victoria West, stated that she saw Wilson fall and dragged beneath the wheels. He appeared to be half way to the top of the wheel between the two cars, when he fell.

Mr. Grice, motorman of No. 2 tramcar, and Mr. Geo. Springer, of the Desquaint dock yard, who was standing on the front car, also saw the unfortunate man being dragged and mangled beneath the wheels.

The victim of the accident had not long resided in the city, and became an employee of the E. & N. Co. last December. He was formerly a resident of Toronto, and had been employed as brakeman for the Grand Trunk Railway Co. for fifteen years. He was 35 years of age, and leaves a widow and three children, the youngest being only three years of age. An inquest is being held as this paper goes to press.

Time is Life

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Destroyed By Fire

Thousands Witness the Burning of Buildings on Chatham Street.

Chinatown Was in Danger of Being Wiped Out for a Time.

Three buildings were destroyed as the result of a big and very spectacular fire in the tenderloin district last night. One was the big wooden frame building formerly occupied by Gray's planing mill, and lately by a number of women. Other buildings were the big wooden barn nearby in which R. Baker & Son had a quantity of hay and potatoes stored, and a stable and shed in the rear. The loss amounted to about \$2,050, of which but \$540 is covered by insurance.

The fire originated in the rooms of a French woman—all the occupants were of that nationality—at the west corner of the building. The cause has not yet been disclosed. The woman in whose rooms the fire started said she was upstairs just before 10 o'clock and hearing a crackling sound ran down to find her rooms wrapped in flame. She then ran to the street, leaving all her possessions to the flames.

When the alarm was turned in, through some unaccountable reason, the gong sounded three taps, registering box 3. This was a puzzle to the firemen, and the chief not being satisfied, ordered the James Bay hose wagon to respond to the alarm as given and leaving the city brigade to await in readiness for a second call, he hurried to James Bay, to find that a mistake had been made. In the meantime Officer Walker of the police force had notified the fire department of the fire in the old mill. Immediately on the receipt of his message the firemen hurried to the scene. They found the mill building on the corner of government and Chatham streets on fire from cellar to roof, and as a northerly breeze was carrying clouds of sparks from the big mass of leaping flame over the Chinese quarter it was feared that the whole Chinese and tenderloin quarter would be wiped out. In a short time one engine was pumping a stream from the hydrant near the Victoria Phoenix Brewery and another was at the hydrant on the street corner by the burning building. Good streams were soon playing on the fire from each with two hydrant streams.

The fire had gained considerable headway and it was apparent that the building would be burned to the ground. The flames lit up the sky and showers of sparks were carried for blocks. It was one of the most spectacular fires that has been seen in Victoria for some time and when the adjoining building, with its store of hay, also took fire the heat was so great that several engines on the street corner were blistered, and such a glare that the night for the space of many blocks was almost as bright as day. Despite the heat Engineers Collins and McDougall and their crew remained at their posts. The firemen gave their efforts to the work of saving the adjoining buildings, and the southwest corner wooden building fronting on Herald street, which at one time was known as the Vancouver brewery, but now used as a Chinese laundry and home for a horde of Chinese, took fire, but the flames were each time extinguished. A man with a chemical was posted on the roof. The roof of the building, and such a glare that the night for the space of many blocks was almost as bright as day.

The buildings on the north side of Government street, occupied by several Chinese laundries, were also several times in danger, and when the occupants had lost faith in the "fung shoe" of their gods they formed themselves into a bucket brigade to keep the front of the building covered with water.

Although it was soon an established fact that Chinatown would be saved, the Chinese for many blocks began to move out their effects. Line after line was to be seen hustling their way through the crowds laden with a heterogeneous collection of effects. Others rushed hither and thither with trucks moving goods from Government and Fisgard street houses. Most of them stored their goods in the new brick stores on the north side of Government between Cormorant and Fisgard.

The houses on Herald street and the lower end of Chatham street were also deserted and women rushed wildly about dragging their trunks, clothing and furniture into places of safety. When they saw that the fire was under control they returned to their old quarters.

During the fight to stop the spread of the fire Chief Deasy fell in one of the slimy alleys between the rows of cabins and injured his side and arm, cutting his arm badly. Thomas Watson was also slightly injured on the head by falling from a woodpile.

The loss, said to amount to \$2,050, was made up as follows: Mill building, owned together with the stable and shed in the rear by Mr. Nash, of Happy Valley, and the contents of the building, the women having lost all their effects, \$450; barn and contents, 100 tons of hay and 20 tons of potatoes, owned by R. Baker & Son, \$1,050, on which there was \$500 insurance. The loss to be added \$100 for the coal lost by Mr. Painter, who this morning in thanks for the efforts of the firemen, sent Chief Deasy a cheque for \$10. The barn was owned by the Leneveu estate. The furniture in the mill building was owned by Andrew Miller. The building itself was purchased by its owner some years ago for \$125.

Chief Deasy says that had a little

stronger breeze been blowing the whole of Chinese quarter would undoubtedly have been destroyed. The firemen spent the night and well on into to-day throwing water on the smouldering remains. They had a busy day yesterday, for in the afternoon they had to run to Mr. Cuthbert's residence on Gorge road. There two runs were the first of the month. The new engine, which worked for four hours, was used for the first time at last night's fire.

BY-ELECTIONS.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—E. D. Martin, Independent Liberal, was to-day elected by 49 over A. W. Putee, Labor candidate. The total vote was, Martin, 2,344; Putee, 2,295. Putee will ask for a recount.

Montreal, Jan. 26.—The election in Sherbrooke resulted in the return of McIntosh, Conservative, by about 100 majority, in succession to the late Hon. W. B. Ives.

Toronto, Jan. 26.—The Globe, commenting on the by-elections yesterday, says the results mark a complete collapse of the campaign which has been carried on for the last three months with the object of making political capital out of the war in South Africa.

Quebec, Jan. 26.—The election of Fortier, an Independent Liberal in Lotbiniere, over another Liberal, is not considered a defeat to the Laurier government.

IN OTTAWA VALLEY

Reuben Draper, of Bristol, P. Q., Reports That He is Cured of Gravel by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Passed a Large Stone One Week After Commencing Dodd's Kidney Pills—Now Completely Free From Tais Trouble—Recommends Dodd's Kidney Pills to All Sufferers From Bladder Complaints.

Bristol, P. Q., Jan. 26.—The people on the Quebec side of the Ottawa River are fully alive to the boon they have in Dodd's Kidney Pills as is witnessed by the large number who are publicly testifying to the merits of Dodd's Kidney Pills in the press. One of those is Mr. Reuben Draper, of Carleton Place, near here.

Mr. Draper was troubled with that painful and dangerous bladder complaint known as gravel. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Gravel, and when it is remembered that a surgical operation was formerly the only means of assailing this disease, the value of Dodd's Kidney Pills is apparent. Dodd's Kidney Pills were recommended to Mr. Draper, and he tried them, with complete success, as the following letter will show.

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That is two years ago, and I have not had any trouble that way since. I have the stones still in my possession, and can show them to anyone who doubts this story. Hoping this may be of some benefit to someone suffering as I did.

I am yours truly,
REUBEN DRAPER.

VILLE MARIE BANK CASES.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Jan. 26.—Ferdinand Lemieux and W. L. Fellows were committed for trial for conspiring to defraud the Ville Marie Bank. Lemieux is already serving a three years' sentence for issuing false statements to the government.

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STRIKE OF CARPENTERS.

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The Wrecked Collier

Breaks in Two Parts—Her Cargo of Coal Cannot Be Saved.

Halves Sliding Down into Deep Water—Her Men at Chemainus.

The wrecked collier Miami now presents a doleful looking spectacle, according to those who have returned from the scene of the wreck. Either end has sunk to bottom on either side of the reef, and what can be seen of the midships held up on the rocks looks like a fallen house with the gables torn away.

Tug Lorne returned late yesterday afternoon from the scene of the wreck and last evening the tug Sadie returned with Capt. Frank York, the stevedore, and the gang of twenty-two men taken up by him to make an attempt to save the cargo. The would-be salvage party found the steamer abandoned on their arrival and it was soon evident that little if any of her cargo would be saved. The tugs did not attempt to haul the steamer from the reef, as when she went on a great hole was torn in her hull and she would have foundered as soon as they got her into deep water. She was well filled when they reached her.

The steamer went on as the tide was rising and was almost high. She commenced to break up in very short time, and when the water lowered the two ends separated and the steel sides and deck tore apart, as though they were of tin foil. With a cargo of 4,500 tons of coal balanced on a reef this is little to be wondered at. She broke apart during Thursday night, and when daylight came yesterday morning a breach showed just forward of the bridge all around the vessel.

Wider and wider this became and soon the forward end slid down to bottom. The other end also slid away, and at high tide only the gaping ends and part of the smokestack were visible.

When she struck the reef she showed 23 feet of water and under either end there was over fifty fathoms. Capt. Gibson, of Chemainus, as United States consular agent and representative of the underwriters, has taken charge of the wreck.

Capt. Butler, who was in charge of the crew of the vessel, were taken to Chemainus. It was expected they would arrive by the noon train, but neither the pilot or the ship's company came down. The crew, which includes thirty men, are, it is said, to be paid off at Chemainus, from whence they will go to Seattle by the steamer Alki. They were shipped from the Sound and San Francisco.

Of course no explanation is forthcoming as to how the accident, which involved so great a financial loss, occurred. Explanations are withheld until the investigation is held. Capt. Butler, the pilot in charge of the vessel, is acknowledged by all to be a most competent and careful navigator, which is attested by the fact that since he has been acting as pilot for over six years, he has never before been on any vessel that has met with accident.

Capt. Wallace Langley, whose long experience in navigating the vicinity in which the wreck occurred, makes him competent to speak, says, in discussing

the wreck, that such a mishap might happen to the most careful navigator. At the time of the accident, 7 o'clock in the morning, the dim half light of day-break is most deceptive, and distances are difficult to gauge. White rock, in the passage between which and Danger reef the accident occurred, he said, was not spotted correctly on the charts. The reefs extend further out than shown and it is on one of these uncharted dangers that the steamer has been wrecked. She is on the outer edge of the reef and a few feet would have cleared her. Further aids to navigation are necessary in those waters.

The Miami was worth \$150,000 before she struck the reef, and her coal cargo is worth at least \$10,000 more. Both are fully insured. The steamer was not under charter to the Dunsmuir or Rosendals as stated. She was making the voyage for her owners, the Pacific Improvement Co., who bought her about a year ago, from T. Hazan & Sons, of New York. During the few years of her marine life—she was but nine years old—she piled as a collier on the Atlantic coast; then as a liner of the Lone Star line; as a transport during the war with Spain, and in carrying coal on the Pacific coast until the fatal Thursday morning.

As the Pacific Coast coal fleet is already taxed to its utmost capacity and cannot supply the demand for coal that exists in San Francisco and Honolulu, the loss of the steamer is decidedly unfortunate.

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London, Jan. complete absence sources in Africa.

The only report is that Gen. Keogh's division, "midway" between Lyttleton and Gen. Buller. From this it is inferred to be three forces to the advance on Lyttleton. The dispatch Saturday, Jan. 27, referred to in the London, Jan. 27, the casualties officers and men wounded and killed.

Dispatch

London, Jan. 27, patch has been reported, dated to change in the Victoria.

WEST

Pretoria Dispatch tempted to

Pretoria, Jan. 27, British advance 25th, and British to be slightly wounded since Boer force estimated at 1,000.

Gen. Schoen Grobler.

Gen. Schom and reports pushed and their positions.

The Boer 1 and one man. The British must have been the bombarding. The other quiet.

Casual

Kimberley, bombardment, today, was the Boers set of Kimberley, gullies. A slight to a breach was the Boer position never to be pulsed because it is far to the South, numbers, but their force the West.