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# PROGRAMME OUTLINED

### Preliminary Arrangements Made for the Celebration of the Queen's Birthday.

### Will Commence With a Grand Sham Battle or Review on Monday Morning.

### Bicycle Races on Monday Afternoon and Yacht Races and Regatta on Tuesday.

The outline of the programme for the celebration of Her Majesty's birthday was arranged at the first meeting of the general celebration committee, held last evening. Capt. Finpis, of H.M.S. Amphion, who was present as the representative of Admiral Palliser, assured the meeting of the hearty support of the navy, to whom the citizens have each year owed so much.

It was just a bare outline that was decided upon, but it gives assurance that the attractions will be fully up to those of former years. So as not to interfere with the bicycle races, which are set for Monday afternoon, the review or sham battle, which Capt. Finnis said the citizens can depend upon, will be held on Monday morning. The bicycle races will bring together some of the cracks of the coast. The district council of the C.W.A. meets at Vancouver on Monday morning to complete arrangements for the circuit of twelve racing dates in which the Victoria meet is included.

For Monday evening the only attraction so far is a grand military entertainment to be held in the Drill hall, the arrangements for which are in the hands of the officers of the Fifth Regiment.

On Tuesday morning there will be yacht races on the straits and sports at Beacon Hill and in the afternoon the annual regatta will be held on the Arm.

The first business taken up at the meeting was the appointment of a treasurer. Mr. Charles Kent, who has filled the position for so many years, declining re-nomination, Capt. J. D. Warren was chosen. The finance committee of last year was re-elected with a few changes and were given power to add to their number. The committee follows: Messrs. A. W. Vowell, Charles Hayward, G. A. Kirk, R. L. Drury, L. Goodacre, Noah Shakespeare, C. W. Jenkinson, B. Williams, M. Young, W. Hanna, T. Deasy, H. Price, H. Short, W. H. Langley, T. Bradbury, W. Thompson, B. W. Pearse, James Baker, P. R. Brown, F. Elworthy, W. L. Challoner, Capt. Warren, Sergt.-Major Mulcahy and the members of the aldermanic board.

The band and printing committee consists of Messrs. N. Shakespeare, A. Stewart, R. L. Drury, Col. Wolfenden and Ald. MacGregor.

Regatta Committee—The officers of H. M. navy and R.M.A., Mr. Chase, of H. M. navy yard, Messrs. D. Cartmel, J. S. Yates, A. J. Dallain, T. Lawrie, J. A. Lobb, D. O'Sullivan, F. Hussey, B. W. T. Drake, Capt. J. G. Cox, Capt. J. D. Warren, the managing committee of the J.B.A.A. and the officers of the Victoria Yacht club.

Sports and Games Committee—Messrs. D. Cartmel, H. N. Short, W. Snider, G. A. Kirk, John Braden, M.P.P., A. J. Dallain, Thomas Deasy, W. H. Cullen and Major Williams.

There was considerable discussion as to whether it would be well to allow the military review to interfere with the bicycle races on Monday afternoon, but this was settled by Capt. Finnis stating that the review could be held in the morning.

Some objection also was taken to celebrating on Monday and Tuesday, several members of the committee preferring Tuesday and Wednesday, but the mayor said there could be no change, the days having been decided upon at a meeting of citizens.

The secretary announced that he had already arranged for advertising in the papers of the Mainland and Sound cities, and his action was endorsed.

The proposal to hold a flower carnival was dropped, the committee considering it too early in the year.

After passing the regular resolution that the general committee would not be responsible for the debts of the subcommittees above the amount voted for each, the meeting adjourned.

### B. C. EXPRESS COMPANY.

#### Details of the Northern Service of This Pioneer Enterprise.

The British Columbia Express Co., Ltd., with headquarters at Ashcroft, B.C., was incorporated in the year 1878 by special act of the legislative assembly of British Columbia. The head office of the company was originally at Victoria, but in August 1888 it was moved to Ashcroft, where it is still located, from which point they operate a line of stages to Barkerville, B.C., a distance of 280 miles, and in addition to this the company have lines sublet running off the main road, aggregating 270 miles. This is the oldest and largest stage line in the Dominion of Canada, and has no equal in point of equipment and the volume of business transacted each year. The company run in close connection with the C.P.R. and carry the royal mail, passengers, express and fast freight into Cariboo, Lillooet and the Interior of Northern British Columbia, and along the routes leading to Omineca, Cassiar, Peace River and Yukon districts.

Mining parties going to Peace River district and to Glenora and Telegraph Creek can travel by the company's stages to Quesnelle, a distance of 220 miles, from which point the start is made to the gold districts by river boat and pack train.

Stages run to Lillooet and intermediate points Monday and Friday, returning Tuesday and Saturday.

To Clinton Monday, Wednesday and Friday, returning Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

To 150-Mile House Monday and Friday

To Barkerville and all points in Cariboo Monday, and after May 1, Monday and Friday.

The company has made a record for itself through the unfailing courtesy of its officials and the interest manifested by them in the comfort of passengers traveling over the line. The travelling public may always depend upon being well treated when journeying by the B. C. X. Co. line of stages, and to the tourist the trip is specially interesting as the scenery along the road is very beautiful, whilst the small lakes abounding through the country fairly team with fish.

### POWDER WORKS WRECKED.

#### At Least Seven Lives Lost in a Great Explosion in California.

Santa Cruz, Cal., April 26.—Three explosions at about 5:15 this afternoon at the California Powder Works caused a greater loss of life than any previous accident in the history of these works. The wildest rumors are prevalent regarding the number of killed and injured, the exact number of which cannot be ascertained before morning. It is known that seven were killed and four seriously injured.

The first heavy shock of the explosion was felt for many miles around and was quickly followed by two lighter shocks. The smoke from the works arose in volumes so dense that it was impossible for a time to perceive the extent of the damage that had been caused by the explosion.

It was reported that the fire was spreading and that the main magazine was in imminent danger. The bugle call was accordingly sounded for members of the California naval reserve, who responded promptly, hurrying to the mills and assisting the corps of fire fighters already on the scene.

As nearly as can be learned the cause of the disaster was explosion in the gun cotton plant.

### UP THE STIKINE.

#### Accidents Through the Breaking of Ice—Starting for the Lake.

The men who succeeded in getting up the Stikine river on the ice did not lose much time at Telegraph Creek or Glenora, but continued on the trip to Teslin Lake. On April 6 there were but 200 people at Telegraph, 400 having passed through on their way to the lake.

Messrs. McQueen & Reid, of Vancouver, lost a team of horses in the river, Mr. Reid himself having a very narrow escape, being carried down the river under the ice. Fortunately he was able to secure a hold on the ice at an air hole and was rescued by his companion.

A man named Black, of Illinois, lost his life a few days after. He and his brother were taking a heavy load of merchandise up the river when the ice gave way. One of the brothers and the horses reached shore, but the other brother was carried under the ice and drowned.

John Hyland left Telegraph on April 7 and expects to be in Dawson to celebrate the Queen's birthday.

The Canada Development Company's party, the K. M. T. & T. Corporation party and the Mackenzie & Mann party, started for the lake at the same time and expected to reach their destination in from 15 to 20 days.

Horses will be in demand as soon as the rush commences in earnest and men taking horses are advised to take up their own feed, as with the crowds on the trail the grass cannot last long.

Quite a number of men have gone into Dease Lake and the other old diggings in Cassiar.

### VANQUISHED PIRATES.

#### How a Bold Japanese Merchantman Beat Off Three Chinese Junks.

A thrilling story of a fight with pirates off the Chinese coast was brought by mail advices by the steamship Empress of China yesterday. It shows how a plucky Japanese merchant successfully defended his ship against three pirate junks and defeated the sea robbers with considerable loss of life. The story is told in the Jiji, one of the Japanese vernacular papers. Mr. S. Tsukamoto, a Formosan merchant, embarked at the island with 56 passengers and a small crew of Chinamen on a junk for Amoy, the Chinese port on the mainland across the straits. All went well till within 70 miles of their destination, when three innocent looking Chinese junks came into sight. The strangers drew near without arousing suspicion till suddenly a broadside of small cannon was discharged by one of them at the Japanese vessel. Instead of yielding to force of numbers Tsukamoto at once served out rifles—of which fortunately there were 43 aboard—to his passengers and also brought into requisition a number of bombs, for apparently in those troublous seas merchantmen find it necessary to be prepared for pirates occasionally. The Jiji naively adds "many of the passengers were Chinese and consequently unable to fight." The others urged on by the valliant Tsukamoto made a desperate resistance to three pirate vessels, which now that the mask was thrown off were making every effort to board the Jap vessel. It was a fight at close quarters, so close indeed that the bombs thrown by hand, created great havoc among the Chinese pirates, crowded on the decks of their junks eagerly waiting for a chance to board. Rifle bullets and bombs though doing effective work failed to prevent the pirates getting alongside. Tsukamoto appears to be a man of considerable fighting ability for seeing the turn affairs were taking he utilized boiling water and peanut oil as an additional weapon. When the pirate boarders strove to climb over the bulwarks of his junk they were deluged with this boiling mixture, which proved wonderfuly effective. Yelling with pain they dropped from the junk side to strive to cool their burning heads in the sea water. Numbers of pirates met death in this way and before any could get a footing on the Japanese junk a steamer hove in sight and the discouraged pirates scuttled back to their ships and got away with all possible speed leaving the Japs victorious.

### WILL ATTACK MANILA.

#### American Ships Were Gathering at Hongkong When the Empress Left.

There is likely to be considerable fighting in and around the Philippine Islands. Advices brought by the Empress of China are to the effect that the United States ships Baltimore, Olympia, Yorktown, Boston and Manocacy were at Hongkong ready to commence operations against the Spanish as soon as war was declared. The Spanish, however, have a strong fleet at the islands, the following ships being there:

Argos, 508 tons, 2 guns.
Castilla, 3,260 tons, 22 guns.
Cebu, 532 tons, 2 guns.
Don Antonio de Ulloa, 1,160 tons, 13 guns.
Don Juan de Austria, 1,159 tons, 13 guns.
Elcano, 560 tons, 7 guns.
General Alva, 1,300 tons, 2 guns.
General Lezo, 520 tons, 6 guns.
Isla de Luzan, 1,048 tons, 10 guns.
Isla de Cuba, 1,048 tons, 10 guns.
Manila, 750 tons, 2 guns.
Marquis del Duero, 500 tons, 5 guns.
Reina Christina, 3,520 tons, 21 guns.
Velasco, 1,152 tons, 7 guns.

The American ships in the Orient are:
Baltimore, 14 guns, 4,600 tons.
Boston, 8 guns, 4,030 h.p.
Concord, 6 guns, 3,450 h.p.
Monocacy, 6 guns, 850 h.p.
Olympia, 14 guns, 17,313 h.p.
Raleigh, 11 guns, 10,000 h.p.

The rebels too continue active on the islands and are keeping the soldiers busy. When taken the rebels are brutally treated according to all accounts. A gentleman arriving at Hongkong from Manila tells of a case where a lot of wounded rebels were placed in a hut with the bodies of their dead companions and the whole set on fire. A photograph taken of the hut while it was in flames shows, it is said, human remains being consumed by the fire.

In another case the Spanish soldiers attacked a building where a meeting was being held, killed 10 men, wounded 40 and took 100 prisoners, who were afterwards put to death.

# KLONDIKE NURSES.

### Miss Powell and Her Assistants Spend a Day in the City En Route North.

### Faith Fenton, the Correspondent Will Accompany the Party to the Interior.

The four nurses who have volunteered for duty in the Klondike country and Faith Fenton, the correspondent of the Toronto Globe and other Eastern papers, who is to accompany the nurses to Dawson, spent yesterday in Victoria as the guests of the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. McInnes. The nurses are Miss Powell, superintendent; Miss Payson, Miss Hanna and Miss Scott. They do not in the least fear the long trip they have before them, or the hard life of a rough mining camp, although they appreciate the fact that life will not be quite as comfortable as they have been used to. They will accompany the troops which are being sent to the interior by the Dominion government, so that they will be well taken care of on the trip. It was expected that a start would be made immediately, but advices received yesterday are to the effect that the troops will not leave Ottawa until next week. The nurses therefore have a couple of days to spend in the coast cities waiting for their escorts. They left for Vancouver this morning and expect to return to Victoria for a few days before going north.

Yesterday their time was well occupied. Lunching with the Bishop and Miss Perrin, they returned to Government House where they were the guests of honor at a reception, attended by a large number of ladies and gentlemen interested in charitable movements. It was arranged that each of the nurses should "say a few words," but they backed down when they saw the size of the audience, and to Miss Fenton was left the duty of delivering an address. She was fully equal to the occasion, and delivered a most interesting little talk on the Victorian Order of Nurses.

The movement to send four nurses of the Victorian Order to Dawson was started by Lady Aberdeen, in fact the Governor-General is bearing most of the expenses, paying the salaries of the young ladies for one year. The government has undertaken to transport them to Dawson and see that they do not suffer from "a shortage of provisions." In return for the assistance rendered by the government the nurses will attend any of the infantry, police of officials who may need their services. For a time they will be stationed at Fort Selkirk, where there is said to be a building that can be utilized as a hospital. The nurses cannot accept remuneration from their patients anything tendered must be handed over to Miss Powell, who will forward it to Ottawa.

Miss Fenton received permission from the government to accompany the expedition, and there is little doubt that her company will be appreciated by both the nurses and soldiers, as she possesses a faculty of being of assistance and adding life to any party of which she is a member. The party will go in by the Stikine route. As the infantry will probably spend several days on the coast it has been suggested that they be invited to visit Victoria. No doubt the question of transportation could be arranged.

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No adulteration Never cakes.

### SHORT DESPATCHES.

John and James Roddy, brothers, were hanged at Somerset, Pa., yesterday for the murder of farmer David Berkey. They protested their innocence on the scaffold.

James Girven, Sr., has been killed at Donner's station, near Peterboro, Ont., by falling down stairs.

Ex-Sheriff G. O. Bowen died yesterday at Sherbrooke.

At Toronto the union upholsterers are out on strike for higher wages.

Sir Wm. Van Horne says there is no truth in the report that the C.P.R. has bought the Great Northwest Central.

At the first day's racing at the Newmarket spring meeting yesterday the Lorillard-Beresford stable's colt Pascola won the Maiden plate, 500 sovereigns, added to a sweepstakes of five sovereigns for starters, for two year olds. Wild Olive was second and Pea Soup third. There were 14 starters. Land Rail won the two-year-old Selling stake; Sardine 2nd. The race is for five sovereigns each for starters, the winner to be sold by auction for three hundred sovereigns.

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A curious anecdote has transpired concerning the late Mr. Woolf Joel. A little while before he left England he invited a party of fourteen gentlemen to dinner. One was unable to attend. Mr. Joel remarked on the common superstition, and said that, as the one who first rose was supposed to die first, and as he had placed the company in this peculiar position, he would be the first to move. He carried out his unselfish proposal, and shortly afterward started on his fatal journey.

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will positively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of their worth. They are small and easy to take. *

A party of New Zealanders consisting of W. J. Beaven, C. R. Harkness, C. E. Gooding, C. Gooding, C. C. Shield, F. Willison, R. Heale, J. Clark, W. J. Goodwin, C. A. Ghent and H. A. Shade, who have been making the Dominion their headquarters while outfitting here, have left per steamers Tees and Ningchow for Wrangel.

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them. *

Major and Mrs. the Misses and Master Perry, and Mrs. Fraser, of Vancouver, are at the Dallas.

### KILLED BY A DREAM.

#### A Japanese Stabs to Death Wife and Sister Under a Dream Delusion.

A strange story comes from Sanshu in Japan of how an unfortunate man killed two of his family in his sleep. The Japan Daily Advertiser of April 12 states that Goro Yamazaki while asleep dreamed that two robbers were standing over him demanding money. So real did this seem that Goro rising plunged his short sword into the hearts of the imagined villians. A cry from his little three-year-old son brought him back to his senses and Goro was horrified to find that he had actually killed his wife and his step-sister. Overcome with grief at the dreadful end of his dream Goro gave himself up to the authorities and told his story. It seems that he had suffered from insanity for three years, but afterwards was supposed to have recovered.

### THE STIKINE-TESLIN ROAD.

To the Editor:—Recently Ex-Mayor Beaven had a communication in the Colonist, strenuously advocating a trail or road between Stikine and Teslin lake, which he says: "could be built by either the Dominion or Provincial governments, without the least difficulty. It has been neglected too long. It should have been constructed several years ago." When Mr. Beaven is informed of the following facts he will see that he overshoots the mark and talks wildly. "Several years ago," neither of the governments mentioned knew scarcely anything definite of the country between the Stikine river and Teslin lake. Only a small portion of it was included in the Hudson's Bay trails. When in December, 1896, I saw the advantages and necessitiy of having a route opened from Glenora to Teslin lake, I could not find anyone in Victoria who could give me any information respecting the interior of the country referred to. There were many miners who had been up the Stikine and at Dease lake, but not one could give me the required information. I consulted Dr. Dawson on the subject. His opinion was that a comparatively easy route to the headwaters of the Yukon could be found from the Stikine to Teslin. To follow the matter up, I drew up a memorial to the provincial government to have them place a small sum in the estimates of 1897, to open a trail. That memorial was signed by nearly all the leading merchants and business men of Victoria and Vancouver. It was presented to the executive by a deputation, headed by Mr. Ker, who was at that time president of the board of trade. Maps were examined but they did not give satisfactory evidence on the subject. The deputaion, however, was favorably received, and assistance promised to have a trail opened. Mr. J. A. Calbreath, of Fort Wrangel, shortly afterwards appeared on the scene. He made flattering propositions to the government. He had been a great many years in Cassiar—knew the country well. He knew of a direct route. There was a table mountain along which a level trail could be built, and he could do it for $3,000. Although a practical trail-maker had previously been informed by a member of the executive that he should have charge of that work, in an evil hour this practical trail-maker, who would undoubtedly have completed a good trail during last summer, was superseded, and the management given to Mr. Calbreath. The result was that, late in the summer Mr. Calbreath, after spending the sum appropriated, and getting a party of friends out to Teslin lake on their way to Dawson, reported that the mountain plateau had snow on it and was not available, so that he was obliged to use an old Hudson's Bay trail, used once in 1896, to get his pack animals through. Subsequently I made application for a charter to have a railway built on that proposed route. The act incorporating the Stikine & Teslin Railway company was passed May 7, 1897. As the country was unexplored and having to wait the reports of Dominion Surveyor St. Cyr and others, the expected progress has not been made. The act incorporating the railway company gives two years to commence construction.

ALEXANDER BEGG.

Victoria, 22nd April, 1898.

### ROSSLAND'S BANKS.

#### Two of Them About To Erect Substantial Buildings—The B. A. Corporation.

Rossland, April 26.—J. S. C. Fraser, local manager of the Bank of Montreal, has returned from a visit to the East. While in Montreal he completed arrangements for the erection of a handsome fireproof brick and stone block which will be occupied by the Rossland branch of the Bank of Montreal. Construction on the building will commence about June 1. It will be located on the southwest corner of Washington street and Columbia avenue.

The Merchants' Bank of Halifax also will build a handsome stone block this year, on the corner opposite the Bank of Montreal building.

Dr. Edward Bowes has been appointed medical officer of the B. A. C., which continues to negotiate for the purchase of mining properties.

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# THE STIKINE FLEET.

### River Steamers Being Hurriedly Got Ready for Service—Tartar Sails To-day.

### Puget Sound Steamship Owners are Alarmed Over Their Prospects for Northern Trade.

With steamship agencies and managements preparations for the opening of navigation on the Stikine and Yukon rivers are rapidly taking form. The C. P. R. company, which owing to its wide connections, can be taken somewhat as a leader in their estimate as to traffic likely to develop when the second rush sets in, has been no way retarded in their preparations through the present temporary lull. Work on the very formidable fleet of river boats they are building for the Stikine is being forwarded with all haste. The first of these the steamer Hamlin, sailed on Monday and will be followed by others in the very near future. It is expected that the Hamlin will sail on her first trip up stream on May 1. In conjunction with this move the company will give the magnificent steamer Tartar dispatch for northern ports to-day. She will be here from Vancouver in the afternoon and will be given as little delay as possible. This will be the second visit of the big ship to port and as she is a handsome craft more modern in many respects than even the Empresses, she doubtless will be a strong drawing card to the ocean docks. Her agents state that they have a good list of freight and passengers booked for her. At Wrangel as above inferred connections with river boats will be made and freight and passengers sent on to Glenora from which port there is but a short portage before the chain of waters leading to the upper Yukon is reached. The Canadian Development company's steamers Victorian, Columbian, Canadian and Monte Cristo will also be placed on the river as soon as possible and a particularly good opportunity of reaching Glenora without transfer or other interruption will be afforded passengers leaving on these vessels

Next week will see the first to sail, the Victorians being now about ready for the long voyage on sea and river. After inaugurating their service these steamers will be operated exclusively on the river and at Wrangel will make connections with ocean going steamers of different lines. The C. P. N. company's new steel steamer now in course of construction and probably the Transfer, if business warrants, will likewise be placed on the Stikine this coming month.

### IMPORTANT AID TO NAVIGATION.

After long consideration the American government has at last decided to place a lightship off Flattery rocks. According to an official report from Port Townsend: On May 20th steam light vessel No. 67 will be established in 25 fathoms of water about 2½ miles S.W. ⅝ S. from the reef, marking off from Cape Alava, and about 4¼ miles southwesterly of the cape. The vessel will show a fixed white light from each of a group of four lens lanterns encircling each masthead. In each lens lantern there will be a 100-candle power incandescent electric light. The focal plane of the lights will be 55 feet above the sea, and the lights will be visible 12¾ miles in clear weather. The vessel has flush deck, two masts, schooner rigged, and has no bowsprit; she has a smokestack and a fog signal between the masts. At each masthead, under the lens lanterns, there is a white circular gallery. The hull is painted red with "Umatilla Reef" in large black letters on each side, and "67" in black on each bow and each quarter. During thick foggy weather a 12-inch steam whistle will sound blasts of three seconds' duration, separated by silent intervals of 27 seconds. The approximate geographical position of the vessel, as taken from chart No. 6,265 of the United States coast and geodetic survey, is: Latitude, north, 48.09 (43); longitude, west, 124.50 (43). The lightship will bear 32¾ miles S.E. ¼ E., easterly from Destruction island light and 14¼ miles N. ⅜ westerly from Cape Flattery light.

### BECOMING ALARMED.

According to the Tacoma Ledger the Boston & Alaskan Steamship company has taken the first move towards safeguarding their interests in the Klondike trade. The company has made application to the secretary of the navy for machine guns, which it is intended to have placed on each of their six steamers running between the Sound and St. Michael's. The possibilities of a Spanish privateer overhauling these merchant vessels and making them prisoners as spoken of in the Colonist some days ago is now beginning to be realized by some of the American steamship owners and the effect on their Klondike business will be disastrous.

### MARINE NOTES.

When the steamer City of Kingston was docked at Quartermaster Harbor on Saturday it was found that it would take longer than anticipated to effect the necessary repairs, so it was decided to keep her in the dock for the rest of the week and give her a thorough overhauling. In the meantime the North Pacific will make the daily run between Victoria and Tacoma.

On her next down trip the steamer Alki, which sailed North yesterday, will call here for inspection. She was at the outer wharf for about an hour early yesterday afternoon on her way to Alaskan ports, with a small number of passengers.

The British steamship Alton en route to Vancouver from Japan called at quarantine yesterday. After undergoing inspection she proceeded direct to Vancouver.

The steamer City of Delhi was yesterday towed in from the Royal Roads to the outer wharf, where she will immediately begin discharging cargo.

The collier Titania after undergoing an overhauling in the Esquimalt dock, left for Nanaimo yesterday to load coal for San Francisco.

H. S. White, of Reuters Telegraph Co., London, is in the city on his way to Dawson.

Father Gendreau, of Ottawa, is registered at the Dominion.

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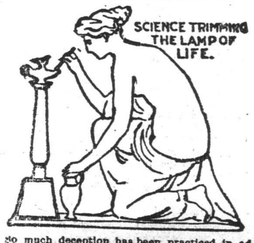


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### Theodore Davie, Deceased

#### STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of Theodore Davie, late of the City of Victoria, Chief Justice, deceased, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their claims or demands duly verified, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, to John B. McKilligan, Room 21, Board of Trade Building, Victoria, agent for Joseph Nicolaye and John Alcroft, the executors of the will of the deceased, on or before the 23rd day of June next, after which date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Theodore Davie amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they have then had notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof so distributed, to any person of whose claim the said executors have not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of April, A.D., 1898.

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the said Executors, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C. a21

### CANCELLATION OF RESERVES, COAST DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reservation placed on lands at Frederick Arm, Cardero Channel, Coast District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette and dated 1st November, 1895, has been cancelled.

Notice is also hereby given that the reservation at Loughborough Inlet and Phillips Arm, Coast District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 29th November, 1895, has been cancelled.

The said cancellations will take effect three months from the date of this notice.

G. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
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