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Flockmasetrs' **Annual Dinner**

Station Attended By Many Visitors.

Splendid Function at Duncans

President Suggests Extending Scope of Association to Include Swine.

(From Saturday's daily.) At the Quamichan hotel, Duncans, on

Flockmasters' Association.

After the toast "The King," had been duly honored, Secretary Hadwen read letters of regret from His Honor the Lieut-Governor, the Premier, the Attorncy-General, the Minister of Mines, the Provincial Secretary, the Minister of Finance and Hon. Senator Temple-

The chairman, W. H. Hayward, then roposed the toast, "The President of he United States," coupling with the braham Smith.

Edna Wallace Completes Evidence--Case For Party Plaintiff Opened

Hopper vs Dunsmuir Continued Yesterday Before Mr. Justice Drake.

WELSH COAL FOR CANADA.

CONSERVATIVES NOMINATED.

A. Wheeler sang "The Village Blacksmith."

The chairman then proposed the toast, "The Dominion and Provincial Legislatures."
Ralph Smith, M. P.. responding, thanked the guests for the compliment paid him, and remarked that this was the first time on three invitations that he had been able to avail himself of the provincial legislature, he said that he thoroughly believed that the time had now arrived when the province would start on an era of good legislation and would benefit, he was sure, by very many expensive lessons. He referred to the great campaign being waged by Joseph Chamberlain, and he said that though at present it was purely an old country question, it would not belong before it would come before the Canadian public.

Mr. Pat Deasy sang very acceptably "The Little Boys in Blue." In response to an encore he sang "Mandy Lee."
Mr. Shopland proposed the toast, "The Flockmasters' Association."

Mr. Hadwen, the secretary, responding, gave a history of the association was start, and the dassociation was start, and the first time out three invitations that was eaknesses. In her opinion Alexander Dunsmuir carrying around a pillow he called "baby," she said she though at fact condition, mentally, to transact business in December, 1899, which would require concentration of thought, but he might be able to do things which were merely a matter of habit.

Mr. Davis insisted on a more explicit explanation than this.

Plaintiff, in explanation, said she could not do this, as she did not know what particular business Alexander had to transact. As an instance in her own case, she said she could play the harp mechanically and think of something else, the action not taking the same mental exercise as when she was thinking of other matters. In 1897 Alexander's inability to do business might have been due to intoxication, but in 1898 she did had not the instrument. She had also sung of the instrument. She had also sung of oth

U. S. General Toronto, Dec. 10.—The executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association today considered the possibility of using Welsh coal for manufacturing purposes. Welsh colliery owners intend sending out samples of 200 pounds for the purpose of enabling manufacturers to experiment. The C. P. R. will carry these free. Is Loquacious

McArthur Takes the Nations Into His Confidence at Honolulu.

Lachute, Que. Dec. 10.—Argenteuil Conservatives today unanimously nominated G. H. Perley as their candidate for the Dominion House.

Wellington, Dec. 10.—J. J. Donnelly has been nominated by the Conservatives of Bruce county for the Dominion House at the next elections.

Knowlton, Que., Dec. 10.—Brome Conservatives have nominated E. P. Stevens, of this place, to oppose Hon. Sydney Fisher at the next general elections. Predicts Contest at Arms Between German Empire and America.

Honolulu, Dec. 10.—Much interest has been aroused here by a report of Goionel Jones of the Hawalian militia to Governor Carter of the Territory of Hawalia, in which Colonel Jones in commenting on the strategic importance of the Hawalian islands and the need of strong defences quoted Major-General MacArthur as predicting a war in the immediate future between the United States and Germany, and that the principal scene of the fighting would be in the Pacific ocean with the Hawalian islands as an objective point. Major-General MacArthur, who is still in Honolulu, having been here the past two weeks studying the military situation in the territory, stated to a representative At the Quamichan hotel, Duncans, on Wednesday evening, the elseventh annual dinner of the Flockmasters' Association was given. W. H. Hayward, Metchosin, the president of the association, was in the chair. There were present: Ralph Smith M. P.; Hon. Abraham Smith, United Stries consul, Victoria, B. C.; J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture; T. R. Palmer, imspector of truits; Captain Barkley, grandson of the Admiral who discovered Barkley Sound; C. T. Corfield, W. H. Hadwen, secretary of the association, and about fifty others.

The doors between the dining room off the hotel and the parlor had been thrown open for the occasion, and about fifty others.

A. F. Charke, an accomplished plainst; cellvened the proceedings with a very choice selection of music. The dining room was decorated for the occasion, with fir branches and immense ensigns. In honor of the American consult, the Stars and Stripes were ducinded. In the centre of the decorations there was a magnificent sheep's head, a Leicester ram, the coat of arms, so to speak, of the association.

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Supreme Court (Carter with the need of strengthening the isolated islands from a military standpoint.

Colonel Jones report quotes General MacArthur as saying that the pan-Germanic doctrine which is being spread throughout the world, is being fostered by the imperial covernment in spread throughout the world, is being fostered by the imperial government in every way. It is strong and getting stronger wherever German people settle, even among Germans who have been citizens of the United States for years.

In connection therewith General MacArthur is reported as saying that one fact cannot be overlooked, to wit: There were few Germans in the American army during the war with Spain, so few indeed that the presence of a German was noted as being a rare occurrence. The theatre of operations is changing gradually to the Pacific. The German people are multiplying very rapidly and

REEVES' CONVENTION PROPOSE CHANGES

Amendments to Some Municipal Laws Suggested at Yesterday's Session.

The reeves' convention reassembled yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the city hall to consider amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act, etc., for the government's approval for enactment. It was resolved that sub-section C of section 21 of Chapter 23 of the statutes

eouncilors and reeves to qualify for office on leasehold property or property of the wife. Assessment value of such property to be double the assessed value of freehold property qualification of municipal councilors and reeves.

These amendments having been decided on the proceedings of the convention closed. Tomorrow morning as many members of the convention as possible will wait on the government at 10 o'clock to place before the ministers the suggested amendments to the various acts considered.

INCENDIARY BURGLARS. Fail to Secure Booty and Set Fire to Montreal Shop.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—Burglars broke into the fish and game store of Henry Gatehouse last night and after wrecking the cash register and finding only a few cents, set fire to the building. A big storm was raging at the time and delayed the arrival of the fire brigade, and before the blaze hod been extinguished considerable damage had been done. Loss, \$7,000.

TIMBER THIEVES EXPOSED. Reign of Terror Reported in Pine For-ests in Idano.

Butte, Dec. 10.—Investigations by government officers show that a reign of terror exists on the forks of the Coeur d'Alene river in Idaho. The settlers have been driven from their homes and settlement discouraged while millions of feet of fine pine have been taken from government lands and sold to the mills. A special agent of the general land office was sent there and warrants for the arrest of the thieves have been issued.

Impatience of The Japanese

While Officials Seek PeaceThere

thorities have invariably succeeded in keeping these manifestations in hand.

The new viceroy of the Far East has recently shown signs of a more conclistory spirit towards the Japanese. On October 31st, when he arrived at Dainy from Port Arthur, a reception was given by the local residents, both Russian and Japanese, and later reading a special address or respect. Viceroy Alexeiff replied to the Japanese Viceroy Alexeiff replied to the Japanese representative, among other things, that he hoped always to approach the Japanese with cordiality and to offer them as many facilities as possible. He was very sorry that the Japanese had not been on equal terms with other foreigners in enjoying the right to participate in the public auctions of land in Dainy. From the first he had been in negotiation with his home government as to the removal of the discrimination and had now obtained its approval of the general principle. Though proval of the general principle. Though such a step had not yet been announced, it would be enforced shortly. In concluding, the viceroy wished the Japanese residents to continue active in business in accordance with his policy in promoting the prosperity of Polymers.

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Big Liner Completes Voyage From Philippines and Ports

Schedule of Voyages of Northern Pacific Liners---Tees is Due.

(From Friday's Oally.)

The steamer Shawmut, the big liner of the Boston S. S. Co., reached port yesterday morning from Manila via Oriental ports. The big steamer encountered rough weather on her passage from Yokohama, but rolled very little, for with ther great beam the steamer is very steady. She brought one of the largest complements of Chinese that has been landed here for some time, there being 202 all told for Victoria and Vancouvér. The steamer brought a number of saloon passengers, mostly U. S. army officers and returning government officials from Manila. Included among the passengers brought by the Shawmut were A. G. Blater, a government official; F. G. Johnson, Capt. C. S. Wallace, U. S. A.; Miss Kate Dona, R. Wood, of the U. S. government service: Capt. P. Chaplain, U. S. A.; Capt. L. S. Miller, U. S. A.; J. Abrahamson, W. G. Potter, a government official; P. McCann, L. Coates and D. Quigley, all from Maulla. From Hongkong there was Wong Fee Lee, a prominent Chinese; L. Cole, L. T. Hunter, F. A. Buchanan, H. Joachim, J. Ichida and Miss F. C. Mandeville. The Shawmut landed four hundred tons of general cargo at the Ocean docks. She had a cargo of 8,000 tons of general freight from Manila and the Orient.

News was brought by the Shawmut that the steamer Tosa Maru was three days late in reaching Yokohama on her last voyage from this port. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner was buffetted by heavy head winds from the time she left Victoria and poked her nose around Cape Flattery, until she reached Yokohama. All the way across the heavy weather continued. (From Friday's Daily.)

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A despatch from Vancouver says the New England Fish Company, an American corporation, which handles a large hallbut vusiness from this port, operating two of the largest fishing steamers in the world, has purchased a Canadian vessel for the purpose of supplying Eastern Canadian cities with fish. The New England and Kingfisher, the two vessels which have been in commission for several commission in the series of in commission for several years with the company, are both American bottoms. They cannot fish inside the three-mile limit in Canadian waters, and their fish are sent from Vancouver to Boston and New York in bond, free of duty.

Recently a large trade has developed in Montreal and other cities, and shipments have been made from Boston back to Montreal. Now the company has purchased a Canadian vessel, the Saga, to catch fish within the three-mile limit, which are the sent to Festern Canadian edities.

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Burglars Active
The Northern Pacific liner Olympia for Japan and China will sall from Tacoma on Jan. 3rd. The Tacoma will sall ontward bound Jan. 14 for same ports. The Blue Funnel steamship Peleus, of the Liverpool-Victoria-Tacoma line, will sall January 14th for the Ordent and Liverpool, via the Suez, to be followed January 23rd by the Oanta, now enroute across the Pacific. On January 30th the steamship Tydeus, of the Liverpool-Victoria-Tacoma line, will sall from this port on February iith by the Northern Pacific liner Victoria for Japan and China ports.

The Bine Funnel steamship Tydeus, of the Liverpool-Victoria-Tacoma line, will sall from this port on February iith by the Northern Pacific liner Olympia salls for Japan, China and Liverpool. March 19th the Northern Pacific liner Olympia salls for Japan and China, followed on March 30th by the steamship Plags suey for the Orleat and Liverpool. March 19th the Northern Pacific liner Olympia salls for Japan and China, followed April 23rd by the Victoria for the same ports. On Mays 8th the Tremont is scheduled to sail for Japan and China, followed April 23rd by the Victoria for the same ports. On Mays 8th the Tremont is scheduled to sail for Japan and China, and the Shawmut on Jane 30th for Manila.

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Sunday Morning

lain's policy. He is convinced of the success of that policy.

(FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.)

Footpads And Burglars Active

Sunday Morning

Son and Regan had gone to college together.

Footpads are very busy in Vancouver this week. Two more holdups were reported today. J. Mullett struck a man who held a pistol to his face, and when his dog jumped at the man's throat the man ran. Another snatched a lady's purse last night at Fairview Meat Market, and Nightingale's grocery store was broken into and money and goods stolen. Two of the burglars were arrested today.

Captain Swanson of the schooner James H. Bruce, reports to the U. S. Hvdrograph'c Office that on November 21st, 1903, he sailed through a quantity of new lumber lubitude

Attempts to Hold Up Bank Cashier in

Broad Daynght. Wrangel Narrows has for many years been a source of trouble to navigators. That particular body of water is navigable for the larger vessels at flood tide only. If the plans of the U. S. engineers do not miscarry, the Narrows will soon be widened to an extent that will render that particular body of water absolutely safe as a passage for Alaska shipping at any stage of the tide.

New York, Dec. 10.—After having attempted to rob the First National Bank of Hoboken in broad daylight in true-Western style. Frank Stone, a youth of 19, of Youngstown, O.. sprang into the Hudson river today when followed by a great crowd and would have succeeded in making his escape had not a tugboat man thrown a lasso about his neck and hauled him in. Stone arrived in