

MAY ESTABLISH FAIR CIRCUIT

Winnipeg and Vancouver Exhibition Managers Start Movement to Arrange Successive Dates for the West

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28.—At a conference between Dr. Bell, manager of the Winnipeg exhibition, and Mr. Rolston, secretary of the Vancouver exhibition, it was decided to commence with Calgary and proceed by way of Winnipeg, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria, and New Westminster.

FAMINE AND DISASTER WILL FOLLOW FIGHTING

Narrowing Situation Threatens Residents of the Yangtze and Liao Valleys

The Sado Maru brought news that terrible suffering from famine will result this winter in the Yangtze valley, where crops have been ruined and general disaster caused by the fighting and famines are expected in other parts.

At present the weather farmers, in response to the clamorous demands of the penniless are supporting many, but when these resources fail, the prospects of starvation most probably will convert these peaceful Chinese either to harmless beggars or desperate brigands.

HEROIC EFFORT OF CHINESE SAILORS

Officers of Strathloun Tell of Incident of the Fighting in the Yangtze River, near Hankow

Officers of the steamer Strathloun brought the story of a heroic incident of the Chinese revolution in which was revealed the new spirit animating new China.

The shot from the Imperial forts could be seen bursting in front of the advancing torpedo boat. At that moment it seemed as if she was about to turn, but she did not. On her bridge must have been one of the heroes whom this revolution has revealed.

SHELTER HUTS FOR THE WEST COAST

Leebro and Newington Will Take Material for Construction of Accommodation for Shipwrecked

The steamers Leebro and Newington will leave in a few days for the west coast with supplies and will take material for the construction of three shelter huts to be established for the use of shipwrecked mariners at San Josef Bay, Cape Cook and Songra.

WAR ON WHITE FLAG

The war upon the White Flag is naturally a Dominion duty for the evil is a Dominion foe. A campaign which requires so universal an effort, so uniform a plan throughout the Dominion and such really immense revenues to keep it going, cannot hope for effective leadership from any other body than

the Federal Parliament. Much of the work will have to be done under federal control. The Provincial governments will have their share of the responsibility, and there are important and detailed duties which no one can attend to half so well as the municipalities. But we will make greater progress and can only succeed in finally driving this hideous enemy into a corner, if we insist upon securing the full force of the Dominion revenues and powers of organization to lead on the crusade—Montreal Star.

Labor's Worst Enemies

Unionism has accomplished much good. But the good has been accomplished not by the aid of, but in spite of, those within the unions who seek to obtain their ends through lawlessness. These are the worst enemies of labor.—The Evening Ontario.

Heroic French Boy

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The proudest boy in France today is Raymond Marmesse, a full 14 years old and goes to school at Cahors. He is at present a patient in the Pasteur institute in Paris, and has received a silver medal with his name on it and a letter from the minister of public instruction. One Sunday afternoon he was out for a walk through the streets of Cahors. He had bitten several other dogs, a horse and two children. Marmesse, who was passing, threw himself headlong on the dog and tried to strangle it. People shouted to him that he would be bitten; and he was bitten terribly. His father begged him to come away from the dog, but "Better one than half a dozen more children bitten," shouted the boy, and he stuck to the dog till a man managed to slip a noose over its head and draw it tight. The doctors at the Pasteur institute say that Raymond Marmesse will recover, but the treatment will be long and painful.

First class directly has been discovered on the property of the B. C. Portland Cement Co. at East Essington. Nelson is taking steps to rigidly enforce coating on the public streets.

ANIMATED SCENE AT OUTER WHARF

Blue Funnel Liner Leaves With Great Cargo for Liverpool and Way Ports—Sado Maru Arrives from Yokohama

Animated scenes were witnessed at the outer wharf yesterday when the Japanese liner Sado Maru was discharging 501 tons of general cargo for the outward bound Blue Funnel liner Antiochus was completing her great freight of about 12,000 tons and embarking about 400 homing Chinese who crowded along the wharf, shouting and gesticulating, while they loaded their baggage, a miscellaneous collection of things from bundles of umbrellas to bicycles, lawn-mowers and sewing machines. The Teucer, which was also expected, to land 2,500 tons of general cargo was delayed at Seattle. The Par East as an extra steamer passed up to the Sound. The steamer Flitzpatrick from the Columbia arrived en route to Comox for bunker coals and needles, from Redondo to load for the Orient arrived and was ordered to the outer wharves to proceed to the Sound.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA

New Turbine Steamer Will Leave the Clyde on January 10th on Long Voyage to Victoria.

The turbine Queen Alexandra, the turbine vessel bought by the C. P. R. from the Clyde Passenger Lines for the Vancouver-Nanaimo run, which is being altered and repaired at the Scott Engineering works on the Clyde, is to leave on January 10 on the way to Victoria. The turbine steamer is a fast vessel, having an average speed of 21 knots an hour, and she will be able to make the run between Vancouver and Nanaimo in two hours.

THRONG OF CHINESE LEFT ON ANTILOCHUS

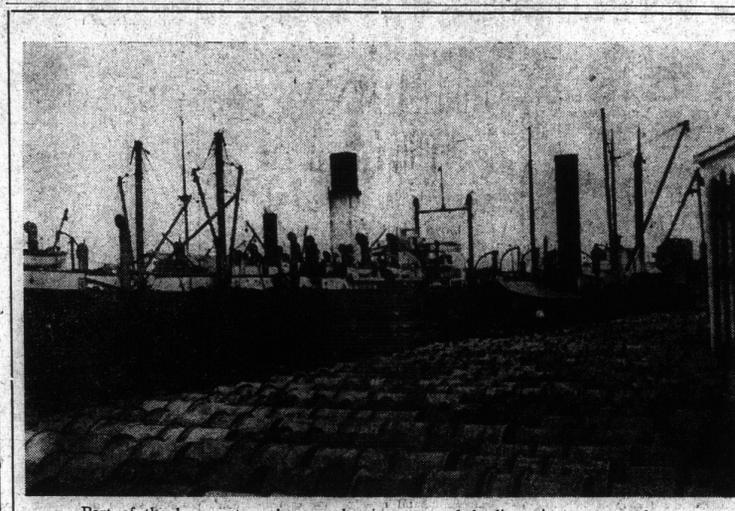
Exciting Scenes During Embarkation of Homing Celestials Seen at the Outer Wharf.

Through a throng of excited Chinese, shouting and pushing, crowding to the wharves to hold their belongings on board the big Holt liner Antiochus, the old dock at the outer wharves was the scene of much animation yesterday morning, when the Antiochus took out

SADO MARU IN FROM FAR EAST

Japanese Liner Encountered Rough Weather on Way from Yokohama—Tamba Maru was Badly Damaged

The steamer Sado Maru, Capt. J. C. Richards, of the N.Y.K. line, reached the outer wharf yesterday morning after a stormy passage, her skylights being broken and saloon flooded in a heavy storm encountered about the meridian. The steamer brought 15 saloons, 15 second class and 21 steerage, and a cargo of about \$600 tons of general freight including 581 tons for this port. The steamer passengers included Prof. F. Starr, the well known anthropologist, who has been travelling in Japan and Korea. Rev. A. Jennings, wife and two children, missionaries from Shanghai, China; J. K. Davis, of the U. S. consulate at Shanghai; A. Lammer, a German engineer, from the Ping Shan mines, which have been closed owing to the revolution in China; Thos. L. Boone, L. Thompson, Mrs. J. G. Simpson and child, M. Gonzalez and K. Ku-



Part of the busy outer wharves, showing some of the liners in port yesterday.

MAKURA TAKES OUT OVER 400 PASSENGERS

Canadian-Australian Liner Will Make Special Call at Fanning Island—Takes Flying Machine

The R. M. S. Makura, Capt. J. Gibb, of the Australian line, left the outer wharf yesterday for Australia, with over 400 passengers and 2700 tons of general cargo. The steamer will make a special call at Fanning Island, under cabled instructions from London, on her way to Sydney, via Honolulu, Suva and Auckland. Lord Incheape, formerly Sir James Lyle Mackay, director of the British India Steam Navigation company, the A. U. S. N. Co., Suez canal and other concerns, who was expected to sail by the steamer, was not a passenger. Among those who left on the Makura were H. W. Brodie, general passenger agent of the C. P. R. and a holiday trip.

The passenger list embraces over 80 first class, 140 second class and 130 third class. The saloon passengers will include: Mrs. J. S. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Aya, Mr. T. A. Baxter, Mr. J. C. Bendroit, Mr. S. Blackley, Mrs. A. G. Bouchard, Miss Mrs. Brougham, Mr. H. W. Broad, Mr. H. W. Brodie, Mrs. Brodie, Mrs. E. Brown, Miss H. Brown, Miss Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Colonel and Mrs. Colville, Mr. J. A. Conkey, Dr. C. F. and Mrs. Covert, Mr. F. Harrington, Mr. J. R. Hartpepper, Miss J. C. Cox, Miss U. L. Cox, Miss M. M. Cox, Miss E. Craig, Mr. A. R. Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Crosby, Mr. C. Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Evans, Mr. W. H. Finley, Mr. F. F. Harrington, Mr. J. R. Hartpepper, Mr. J. L. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Hirst, Mr. Hutson, Mr. C. J. W. Johnson, Mr. J. Kinney, Mr. H. W. Kaehn, Mr. R. B. Lamson, Principal and Mrs. J. Mackay, Master J. A. Mackey, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Mackenzie, Miss H. McTaggart, Mr. G. W. Mappin, Mr. H. J. Morrell, Mr. A. M. Naylor, Mr. Potter, Mr. J. H. Powell, Mr. A. W. Rawlinson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ryeroff, Mr. D. G. Shafer, Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Terry, Master J. L. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. C. Thring, Mr. S. Tingley, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Vance, Miss Vance, Mr. B. Wellwood, Mr. B. Whitcombe, Mrs. M. Whitcombe, Mr. and Mrs. A. Whybrow, Master Whybrow, Dr. and Mrs. Wood, Mr. C. E. Wolff.

Included in the cargo is a flying machine which is being taken to the Australian colonies by Mr. D. G. Shafer of New York. It is proposed to hold a series of aviation meets in Australia, and it is probable that other aeroplanes will leave by later steamships. The cargo consists of canned salmon, automobiles, flour, box shoes, sewing machines, drugs, salt fish, oats and general merchandise, the total tonnage being something in excess of 2700 tons.

By October of next year it is stated the main line of the C. P. R. will be completed and in operation from Prince Rupert to Bulkley Summit, a distance of 300 miles.

RECKLESS DARING OF REVOLUTIONISTS

Sado Maru Brings Advice of Mercator President of the Capture of Hankow by Rebel Forces

Deeds of reckless bravery were performed by revolutionists preceding the fall of Nanking, according to advice brought by the Sado Maru. The guns on Lion Hill fort were in the hands of the rebel besiegers and spies from the revolutionists learned that the loyalist powder was stored in the magazines there. Then a rebel officer disguised himself as a coolie and made his way to the Lion Hill fort, where he found an opportunity to make his way to the magazine, which he entered with a lighted torch in hand and perished in the explosion which followed. The fall of Nanking followed the blowing up of the Tai-ping gate by a small party of revolutionists, assisted by a foreigner.

From Amoy the Sado Maru brought the story of an old Manchurian's revenge for the killing of some relatives by revolutionaries. He was in charge of the powder stores at Chuan-chiu, 60 miles from Amoy, and when the revolutionaries came to secure supplies he pretended to be in sympathy with them. When about 35 of the rebels were in the magazine the old man applied a match to a can of powder, causing an explosion which killed himself and almost all those in and near the magazine.

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FAMINE AND WAR DEVASTATE CHINA

Floods Destroy Crops—Government Interdicts Worst Famine of Modern Times Imminent

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The internal war is responsible for some of this suffering but the chief cause is the flooding of between 30,000 and 40,000 square miles by the rivers Hwai, Yangtze and the Yellow. There has been a succession of bad crops, and two bad famines will now be followed by one far worse. The only remedy that will prevent the recurrence of such conditions is the initiation of large engineering works in the shape of canals to get rid of flood waters and in the present state of things there would seem little hope of any government undertaking these.

The Relief Committee enjoys the hearty co-operation of both the Imperial Government and the Revolutionary Party and the support of the Viceroy and the Governors at Nanking, Hankow and Soochow. Its members include: The Rt. Rev. Bishop P. R. Graves, of the American church mission, chairman; His Excellency Wu Ling Fang, ex-minister to America, vice-chairman; C. R. Scott, Esq., manager, International Banking Corporation, Yuen Sunco, Esq., Chu Pao San, Esq., hardware and machinery merchant, Hon. treasurer; Rev. F. C. Lobenstein, of the American Presbyterian mission, Hon. secretary. Mrs. H. Kinkang road, Shanghai; Rev. E. G. Sandfield, British and Foreign Bible society; Rev. Father P. Bonnard, St. Joseph's Catholic church; W. F. Ingles, Esq., of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.; H. F. Merrill, Esq., commissioner of customs; B. Rosenbaum, Esq., of Messrs. Carlowitz & Co.; J. F. Seaman, Esq., of Messrs. Winters & Co.; J. A. Thomas, Esq., managing director, British-American Tobacco Co.; Chen Ten Fu, Esq., chairman Shanghai Chamber of commerce; Chen Yen Ching, Esq., commission merchant; Hoo Ehr Mal, Esq., Melchers & Co.; Pei Jen Sung, vice chairman Shanghai Chinese chamber of commerce; Shiao Gin Tao, Esq., piece goods merchant; Su Pao Sun, Esq., piece goods merchant; Yuan Heng Kee, Esq., international banking corporation; Yu Ya Ching, Esq., Netherlands Trading Co., Cheques, drafts and postal orders should be made payable and sent to the honorary treasurer, Central China Relief Committee, 100, Shanghai, China. Drafts may be made

AMUR FOR SEATTLE

C. P. R. Steamer Sold to Seattle Buyers Will Leave for the Sound Today

The steamer Amur, purchased by Capt. J. Griffiths for the Coastwise Barge Company for use in carrying ore from Howe Sound to Tacoma will leave for Seattle today in command of Capt. McLeod of the Princess May to be turned over to her new owners. The Amur will be repaired at the Heffernan yards. Repairs are necessary to her boilers and hull, a number of plates have to be renewed as a result of the grounding accident at Wraggel Narrows.

GILDED SPIKE IN KOOTENAY CENTRAL

Coming Development of Columbia Valley Foreshadowed by Entry of Railway into Fort Steele, B. C.

Tuesday of this present week witnessed the interesting ceremony of the driving of a gilded spike at Fort Steele, ceremoniously marking the entry of that busy town by the Kootenay Central, and foreshadowing a rapid and important development of the entire upper Columbia valley through the construction of this new transportation agency for which the people have worked long and hopefully. The last spike was driven by one of the pioneers of the district, and one of the original advocates of the new line, Dr. Watt (father of Dr. A. T. Watt, superintendent of the William Head quarantine station) and citizens of Cranbrook joined cordially and sympathetically in the jubilation.

Last week the completed section of the Kettle River Valley railway was formally inspected by Mr. J. P. Forde, assistant engineer of the public works department, in behalf of the provincial minister of railways, Hon. Thos. Taylor. Incidental to the progress of construction on this new line, the C. P. R. is closely connected and will provide an alternative and much more direct and expeditious connection between the Kootenays and the coast.

It is stated that K. R. V. surveyors have recently been engaged in the running of trial lines between Kelowna and Vernon, upon which fact the rumor is revived that the company plans to go yet further than it already has in taking over the ill-starred enterprise of the old Midway and Vernon Co., and giving secondary railway facilities to the Okanagan capital.

NIMROD WANTS A WIFE

Cariboo Frontiersman Appeals to the Girls Through the Press—Age Limit 24 to 40

With every desire to be obliging and assist Dan Cupid in his missionary activities, the press will no doubt courteously comply with the request "other parties please copy," which Trapper, Hunter and Guide Frank H. Kibbee of Barkerville, writes to the girls and for a wife, which this well known Cariboo frontiersman publishes in the "Ashcroft Journal."

"I am a bachelor," declares Kibbee with positiveness in his matrimonial prospects, "by occupation a trapper, hunter and guide; am the owner of a ranch twenty miles from Barkerville, B. C., aged forty, height five feet eleven inches, habits strictly temperate. I am light-skinned, blue eyes, brown hair, young lady between the age of twenty-five and forty; object matrimony.

"My home camp" the lonely and adventurous one continues, "is at Bear Lake, 21 miles by horse trail from Barkerville." Then for the nonce he forgets his single wretchedness in obedience to the business instinct which accepts the axiomatic "it pays to advertise." For his appeal for a wife comes from Barkerville. "My hunting territory takes in Bear Lake, Bear river, Swan lake, Little lake, Three Mile lake, Sandy lake, Long lake, Indian Point lake, Isaac lake and the trout slough, a distance all told, by land and water of approximately 1500 miles. The portages between the lakes are very short, the longest being less than a quarter of a mile. The hunting is mostly from boats. Will gladly meet parties at Barkerville, with horses.

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COTTON LOCKOUT IS INEVITABLE

Impression is Gained from Attitude of Parties to Dispute in Lancashire That Work Will Cease

MANCHESTER, Eng., Dec. 28.—Nothing has happened to warrant the hope that the lockout of 150,000 cotton workers in Lancashire can be averted. The lockout is scheduled for tomorrow, and officials both sides maintain an uncompromising attitude.

Manchester is the cause of the trouble, the refusal of man and his wife to join the union at Accrington, is likely to be removed. It is said the man has agreed to join and that his wife will leave town.

SURVEYING IN FORT GEORGE DISTRICT

Work of Section—General Satisfaction—Fine Weather in July and August

Mr. A. H. De Wolf, F. L. S., who has just completed his survey of the Fort George district, where he has been engaged during four months past in laying out land for an East Kootenay syndicate, is most enthusiastic as to the possibilities—indeed, certain—of the future for the part of the province. Access to the district is now much simplified, the facilities of road travel being good even in the winter season.

The summer's work of the party was about fifteen miles out of Fort George. During July there was a warm rain about once a week but during August rain fell only once. The district is reported an excellent one for mixed farming, all varieties of cereals growing and maturing well without irrigation, while apple orchards are thriving and the fruit ripens with fine color and excellent flavor. The land possesses characteristics very similar to that of the Lake of the Woods district; it is level for long distances, a sandy clay loam as a rule, with heavy black loam several feet deep in the swamps. Forestation is light—the timber being chiefly poplar, willow and jack pine. Lakes and streams abound and game is plentiful, deer, ducks and beaver principally. In their season cranberries, blueberries, raspberries, strawberries and Saskatoon ripen anywhere, while peavine grows luxuriantly, affording an abundance of excellent feed for cattle.

As indicating the generally level character of the land it may be noted that Mr. De Wolf and his party surveyed twenty-four sections in twenty-eight days. Many people are flocking into the district, but pre-emptors find difficulty in getting themselves established on unalienated crown land. Those homesteaders who have already settled appear to be of a very superior class, competent men who intend to make a business of their land. It may be noted that their work to get the best results. Altogether Mr. De Wolf is highly impressed with the Fort George district.

FOR CANADIAN UNION

The tendency of labor men to stand by their confederates in trouble is splendid. But let them stand by their confederates rather than by strangers. Let Canadians keep their unions clean, wholesome, and free from morbidity and corruption. Let them realize that capital and labor are mutually dependent on each other, and that it does not necessarily follow that a man is infatigable because he is a union man or that a capitalist is possessed of all the vices. There are few things worse than class hatred.—Quebec Chronicle.

No one was injured in the recent explosion on Bowdler road, Vancouver, in which fifteen sticks of dynamite were the moving power.

John Demsey, a miner, met death a fortnight ago, being nipped between falling rocks at the Marble Bay mines. R. I. Carson, a veteran military man, committed suicide in Stanley park, Vancouver, a few days ago, by shooting himself with a revolver.

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Premier Yuan Shi Conference With Nobles Accepted Proposal

LONDON, Dec. 26.—A dispatch says that after the imperial princes and Yuan Shi Kai sent a night to Tang Shao Ti, live at the Peace Hotel, accepting in principle proposed national convention, which Yuan Shi Kai formed into a republic of archy.

The premier points out that the convention must not take on or its decision would not be confirmed by the public. Yuan Shi Kai said, and Tang Shao Yi will discuss with Yu Ting, revolutionary leaders.

SETTLEMENT OF NEW YORK, DEC. 26

THE QUESTION of the future of the government in China, now the conference between lists and imperialists is predicted "in two or three days" by the Columbia students' committee. Y. representative of P. Kai at the conference.

The message is in accordance with the plan of the students' union of a republican government.

REPUBLIC IMPROVED

PALTO ALTO, Cal., Dec. 28.—The plan of government would be an absolute calamity to the public as established today. Professor W. G. Imperial University of Palo Alto, who has arrived here, having been driven as a result of the revolution, is a student of the day. The students' union of a republican government.

WIRELESS STATION AT CHARLOTTE

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 28.—A wireless station at Charlotte, N. C., now possesses a telegraph, and is being equipped with the exception of a tower in Paris. The tower is to be built in the city of Charlotte, N. C., and is to be the tallest in the world. It is to be built on a hill in the city of Charlotte, N. C., and is to be the tallest in the world.

OPPOSE TARIFF

Two Parties in Russia Proposed Retaliation United

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—Progressives and Democrats will oppose the tariff measures against the United States. The tariff measures are being introduced by the United States government, and are being opposed by the Russian government.

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