

Provincial News.

VERNON.

Mr. A. W. Vowell, of the Indian department, and Mr. J. W. Irwin, Indian agent for the district, have been to town and considered affairs relative to the position of the chief at the Head of the Lake reservoir.

ROSSLAND.

At a special meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held on Saturday evening, the bill was introduced into the provincial assembly.

NELSON.

The other day the Mounted Police captured two moonshiners named J. Gagnier and J. Levesque, who were carrying on the Crown's Nest right of way.

RICHMOND.

Stevenson, April 18.—The government party held a public meeting on Saturday last in the town hall, Richmond.

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marine department, is now in New Westminster making preparations for a very necessary re-arrangement of the lights at the mouth of the Fraser.

GRAND FORKS.

Arrangements are being made to start a second stage line between here and Marcus.

NELSON.

No trace of the body of the late Charles Burritt, who was drowned last Monday week, has yet been made.

NANAIMO.

Mr. Henry Parish, for many years a resident of Newcastle townships, has died at the Nanaimo hospital after a lingering illness.

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riding, to the gold commissioner and to the chief commissioner of lands and works.

Reports are current of Indian depredations. It is stated that a gang of Indians are camped near the Halfway House and are carrying on a regular trade in a shameless manner.

KASLO.

There is a general protest against the fact of West Kootenay having been provided with but one additional member in the provincial legislature under the new scheme of redistribution.

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FOULLY MURDERED HONEST MEN, READ THIS

Most men are honest. Ninety-nine in a hundred can be trusted. We have learned this in 35 years' active practice among men who are weak in the parts that make true and vigorous manhood.



Two Chilliwack Men Killed by Their Partner While Sleeping on the Stikine Trail.

The Murderer Being Pursued by the Police—Other Fatalities—The Chilliwack Disaster.

The steamer Centennial arrived at the outer wharf late last night after a quick passage from Dyea, Skagway and Juneau, bringing news of a double murder on the Stikine trail.

On enquiry being made the bearers of the ill tidings discovered that the two murdered men were Burns and Hendrickson, both belonging to Chilliwack.

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We will send our medicines and appliances free to any honest man, who may try them ten days. If he is pleased with the result, he is to keep and pay for them.

ERIE MEDICAL CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

We pay duty and send all packages from Canadian side.

ed by many; nothing definite, however, was done on this rate, it being laid over until the association meets again, which will be in a fortnight.

Those present at the meeting were: Allan Cameron, E. J. Coyle and G. L. Courtney, representing the C. P. R.; J. S. Harvey, representing F. C. Davidge & Co. Ltd.

H. Maitland Kersey, representing the Canadian Development Co.; G. T. Legg, representing the Union S. Co.

P. W. Vincent, representing the C.P.N. and Hudson's Bay Companies.

P. Hickey and E. D. Self, H. Hirsch Cohen, representing the Cassiar Central Railway.

S. G. Yerkes, representing the Tacoma Port Orchard Co.

E. Dowdell and J. T. Rothne, representing the Canadian and Oriental Co. J. A. Mara (by proxy).

W. R. Bullen.

All necessary arrangements for the meeting were made.

CITIZENS AROUSED

A Large and Harmonious Gathering in the City Hall Last Night.

Hon. J. H. Turner Sends an Excuse for His Absence at the Meeting—Adjourns.

The intense feeling which exists in the city regarding the removal of the Song-Indians reservation was manifested by the large gathering in the city hall last night.

The mayor, who was elected to the chair, opened the meeting by reading the resolution asking him to call the meeting and upon which he had acted.

Mr. Frank Richards was elected secretary of the meeting, and Mr. R. B. McKelving, who was the first speaker, referred to the efforts which had been put forth for the removal of the reserve.

FALLS ARE WEAK

Niagara is a Pigmy Compared With Dodd's Kidney Pills.

No Kidney Disease is Dangerous if Dodd's Kidney Pills be Used—Mr. J. R. Jones is a Living Proof of This.

Niagara, Falls, Ont., April 22.—The Falls of Niagara are a stupendous sight in the midst of our quiet population.

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The transportation companies at a meeting held in the office of the Canadian Development Co. decided to fix the following scale of rates for the Stikine service, with Wrangell as a starting point.

Cargo of all sorts (except lumber) per ton measure or weight at ship's 40 00 50 00 60 00 70 00 80 00 90 00 100 00

SEE THAT THE C-SIMILE SIGNATURE OF EVERY BOTTLE OF ASTORIA IS ON THE WRAPPER

While on his way home one evening last week, Chas. Flewin, the proprietor of the Capital saloon, had the misfortune to slip on the sidewalk and fall, resulting in a fracture of his collar bone.

Messrs. Southern, Smith and Robertson, three gentlemen from Manchester neighborhood, are now in the city, they will go north about the 25th, as far as Wrangell, and will proceed thence into the gold regions.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS CURE SICK HEADACHE

Headache, red Carrots, Lard, Liver Pills, are equal to any in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels.

ACHE Never Fails to Cure LUNG TROUBLE AND CONSUMPTION IN ANY CLIMATE.

The distinguished chemist, T. A. Slocum, demonstrating his discovery of a reliable cure for Consumption (Pulmonary Tuberculosis), bronchial, lung and chest troubles, loss of flesh and all conditions of wasting away, will send THREE FREE BOTTLES (all different) of his New Discovery to any afflicted reader of the Times writing for them.

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"Resolved that this notice regrets that the government in administering the affairs of the province, failed to accept the reasonable terms offered for the removal of the Songhees Indians and remove by the Dominion, thereby injuring the best interests of the city of Victoria and the Songhees Indians and neglected to carry out the expressed wishes and desire of this house."

"The House therefore resolved that this meeting greatly regrets the action of the provincial government in refusing the equitable arrangement proposed by the agent of the Dominion government and strongly endorses the amended resolution offered by Charles Semlin, Esquire, at the legislative assembly support and vote for Mr. Semlin's amendment."

"Resolved further, that in the opinion of this meeting the provincial government should promptly acquiesce in the terms offered by the Dominion government."

"And be it further resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable C. Sifton, minister of the Interior, Honorable A. T. Turpin, premier of British Columbia, and to the four members representing the city of Central British Columbia."

Mr. George Dean in seconding the resolution said he thought that if the premier had exercised a little more discretion in judgment during the visit of Mr. McKenna a possible solution of the question would have been found.

Mr. McKenna suggested the sale of a portion of the reserve to the Indians. He also suggested the portion of the reserve fronting on the harbor should be held either by the province or by the city, and he thought a portion of the reserve for purposes of the city, as the growth of the city had wonderfully enhanced the value of the reserve.

Mr. McKenna suggested that the meeting be invited to attend.

The chairman said that the premier had informed him that owing to the fact of the resignation of Mr. McKenna, the meeting would be postponed.

Mr. D. R. Harris supported the suggestion of the previous speakers to adjourn to allow the premier and city members to attend. For years he had been steadily working for the removal of the Indians, and he thought this would soon be accomplished. He had secured powers of attorney from most of the Indians about four years ago, and thought the Indians could be removed if they were properly compensated and provision made for their removal and dead. With patience he believed it would soon be accomplished. About forty acres of the reserve had been sold, of the opinion that their consent could be obtained. The valuation of the lands given to the railway company for the purchase of way was \$3,000,000. It money, however, had never been paid, but the reason was that no one could give a Col. Gregory thought it useless to go on until the presence of the city members, which was absolutely necessary could be secured, and as the house does not meet on Saturday evenings he moved the adjournment of the debate to the following evening at 8 o'clock, and that the secretary notify the premier and city members, and ask them to attend.

This was seconded by A. Williams and carried unanimously. A monster meeting will therefore be held to-night, when the question will be thoroughly discussed.

PATENT REPORT.

The following patent statistics were prepared specially for this paper by Messrs. Marion & Marion, solicitors of patents and experts, Temple Building, Montreal.

The latest report of the commissioner of patents furnishes an excellent comparative statement, showing the number of patents issued by the United States and foreign governments, from the earliest periods of this work to December 31st, 1897. In this total foreign patents were issued by 53 countries, amounting to 1,122,724 patents, while the United States alone has 606,423, more than one-half of all the balance of the world's inventive product.

Of the foreign patents, France leads with 286,081; Great Britain has 252,900; to her credit, and Belgium with 139,742, and Germany with 113,254, come next in order of patent importance. The smallest issues were in Siberia and the Bahamas, each having 2, and in St. Helena, 4.

It is stated that the number of applications for patents received during the year 1897 was the largest in the history of the office, and that there is a steady increase in this branch of the work.