STEWART DECIDES TO INCORPORATE

Bill Will Be Presented at Forthcoming Session of Legislature

Stewart, Dec. 8.—A public meeting held Hartley's hall unanimously endorsed e draft bill for the incorporation of the ty of Stewart and instructed William anson, M. P. P., to present same at the rthcoming meeting of the provincial gislature.

After Secretary Thomson had read the otice calling the meeting, the chairman troduced the member for the district. r. Manson explained that he was present as the representative of the whole ople simply to discuss the proposed bill, t not to advise for or against incorporation. After reviewing the history of the wn and district he referred to the question of the tide flats and said that he ould endeavor to secure same, or the ministration thereof, for the future city. alking on the question of incorporation strongly advised that every effort be ade to include the whole area from ountain to mountain.

Harry Smith moved, seconded by Robt M. Stewart, that the meeting was in vor of immediate incorporation. The motion carried unanimously.

The secretary then read clause by ause, the bill for incorporation which d been so carefully prepared by the executive that only four slight amendments d one new clause were found necessary be embodied, before the measure was opted as a whole.

Mr. Saunders, during the debate, sered from Manson a promise to endavor to introduce a clause for the acisition of public utilities by expropriion.

On motion of J. E. Lins the chair apointed a sub-committee on publicity. M. J. Knight moved for the setting aside four blocks of land for municipal purses, which Mr. Manson agreed to take with the government.

TRADE RELATIONS.

ner by J. J. Hill on Reciprocity Read at Canadian Society Dinner in New

New York, Dec. 9.—"The political platrm of the party which represents the otective tariff principle in this country, e doctrine announced by President Taft d accepted by Republican leaders toif it literally acted upon, would dismantle to-morrow every customs house along e international boundary," said James Hill in a speech read last night at the nadian Society's dinner by George wart, Mr. Hill's physician. Mr. Hill meself was unable to come from the west. "If we are to levy only such imposts," e address continued, "as will equal the t of production here and elsewhere—d that is now the universal slogan—en there would be free trade between e United States and Canada immedibly."

n support of this statement Mr. Hill ntended that there was virtually no difrence in wages or cost of raw products, th few exceptions, in the two countries. "Canada and the United States have lled to improve the opportunity plainly alting them," he declared.

"It is possible that should these couies again fail, as they have failed so any times since 1866, to listen to intelliit self-interest, combined with real tesmanship, as embodied in every y, the voice of optimism may be enced forever by the changing circumances that alter permanently the outlook nations, as well as the fortunes of n."

n both nations to-day, a thousand inests are calling for a closer and more finite commercial impact."

SCOTLAND AND WALES TO SPEAK

(Continued from page 3.)

Norfolk, Mid—Lester, Liberal, 4308; yle, Unionist, 4343. Unchanged.

Lancashire, N.—Helme, Liberal, 56; Ramsbotham, Unionist, 6052. changed.

37. Tullibardine, Unionist, 4027. nchanged.

The following members were elected acclamation yesterday:

Galway, North—R. Hazelton, Nanalist.

Galway, South—W. Duffy, Nationist.

Galway, Connemara—W. Mulley, tionalist.

Durham—Chester le Street—J. W. aylor, Labor.

Durham, Mid—J. Wilson, Liberal.

Monmouthshire, West—T. Richard, abor.

Worcestershire, Evesham—R. M. vres, Unionist.

Denbighshire, West—Sir J. H. Robts, Liberal.

Ross and Cromarty—J. G. Weir, beral.

Kildare, North—J. O'Connor, Nanalist.

Clare County, West—A. Lynch, Nanalist.

Queen's County, Leix— P. Meehan, tionalist.

Kilkenny, North—M. Meagher, Nanalist.

Dorsetshire, West—Col. R. Williams, Unionist.

KING GEORGE INTERESTED

becomes Patron of the Amateur Athletic Association.

London, Dec. 9.—Right Hon. Lord Alverone, president of the Amateur Athletic sociation, has received the following mmunication:

"My Dear Lord:—I have it in command say that the King is graciously pleased become patron of the Amateur Athletic sociation. I remain, yours faithfully,

"WILLIAM CARRINGTON."

t will be remembered that his Majesty, hen Prince of Wales, honored the asciation with his presence at the chamnships held at Stamford Bridge in July, 9, and presented the medals to the ampions.

CRANBROOK CITY HALL.

Cranbrook, Dec. 8.—The question of a unicipal building was settled when the operty owners voted in favor of the byw which asked for an appropriation of ,000 for the construction of a city building.

FIGHT LIKELY TO BE LONG ONE

Renewed Efforts to Prevent Extradition of Porter Charlton to Italy

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 12.—The fight to prevent the extradition of Porter Charlton, wanted in Italy for the murder of his wife, was renewed in the court of appeals yesterday, when Charlton's father, with Attorney Wm. Edwards, asked for a writ of habeas corpus for his release. They also asked that writs of certiorari be issued instructing the state department and the New Jersey authorities to bring into court the entire records of the case since Charlton's arrest.

Judge Rellstab, to whom the application was made, allowed both writs and set the date for the hearing as December 19 at the state house.

Judge Rellstab's action makes it certain that Charlton will not be surrendered to the Italian authorities until after the final determination of the writs. Notice of the hearing was given to the Italian minister, to Attorney Freeland, special Italian counsel, and to Prosecutor Garvin of Hudson county.

The fight to prevent the extradition of Charlton has only begun, according to R. Floyd Clark, Charlton's chief counsel. Secretary Knox's decision that the state department must order the extradition of Charlton is not final, according to Clark.

"The state department has no right to order any such thing," said the attorney. "Italy's refusal to return prisoners wanted here voids the treaty, and it is no longer binding. The power to make new laws does not lie with Secretary Knox or even with the president. Congress alone has a right to do that.

"We will lay our case before the United States circuit court and if that tribunal decides against us, we will carry it to the highest court in the land. We are also going to renew our fight to prove Charlton insane"

The question of the insanity of Charlton will be brought in as a subsidiary matter, but it will be made strong enough, it is intimated, to keep the prisoner in America, even if the plea that the treaty is void, fails.

GRAIN CHARTERING LIGHT.

Weekly Review of Coast Charter Market Also Shows Little Activity in Lumber.

There has been a small amount of grain chartering during the week, says the San Francisco Commercial News, the union rate being upheld both here and in the north. For barley loading, steam, the rate stands at about 28s. 3d., rate of the last previous fixture. For northern loading two steamers have been fixed at 30s. In lumber chartering there is not much activity, shippers being inclined to hold off at the present asking rates. The principal business has been in steam tonnage on time charter. Eureka and Puget Sound to Australia has been done at 3s. 4½d., Puget Sound or Columbia river to China at private terms, and Puget Sound to Buenos Ayres at about 58s. Coastwise freights remain steady.

Offshore lumber rates are quoted as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 63s. 3d.@33s. 9d.; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 33s. 9d.—36s. 3d.; to Port Pirie, 35s.@37s. 6d.; to Fremantle, 40s.; to China ports (steam), 2s. 6d.@3s. on gross; direct nitrate port, 41s. 3d.@42s. 6d.; Callao, 42s. 6d.; Valparaiso for orders, 42s. 6d.@43s. 9d., with 2s. 6d. less to direct port; to South African ports, 55s.@60s.; to United Kingdom or Continent, 57s. 6d.@61s. 3d.; Guaymas, $5.25@$5.50; Mazatlan, $5.25@$5.50; Santa Rosalia, $6.00@$6.25; Honolulu, $5.25.

HONOR FOR PEARY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—That Capt. Robert E. Peary will soon receive some token of appreciation from congress for his discovery of the north pole was predicted here to-day. It was intimated that the house committee on naval affairs soon would frame some form of recognition of Peary's achievement.

The sentiment here in favor of Peary is growing and it is believed that the president's recommendation that the officer be promoted to the rank of rear admiral and retired will be acted upon favorably.

THREATENED TO END LIFE.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 9.—Determined not to let a single opportunity of playing on public sympathy escape, the attorneys defending Hattie Le Blanc, on trial here for the murder of Clarence Glover, introduced testimony yesterday to show that the girl had sworn to commit suicide if she were convicted.

Mrs. Lilian Langley, a sister of the 17-year-old defendant, was the principal witness of the day.

"Hattie swore she would never be sent to prison or be hanged," Mrs. Langley testified. "She told me she was innocent and that if she were unable to prove this she would kill herself in her cell—anything to escape suffering for something she didn't do."

VETERAN SKIPPER DIES.

News has been received here of the death of Capt. Henry Walker, Royal Navy Reserve, a retired commodore of the Cunard fleet of steamships, at his home, in Harworth, England, on November 14. Captain Walker was 69 years old and had spent 43 years of his life in service on the sea. He was born at Harworth, and after serving in the British navy entered the merchant marine, finally becoming one of the veteran commanders of the Cunard line. He was captain of the Campania, among other vessels, and was regarded as one of the most careful and competent of seamen.

The telephone service now possible between English cities and Paris and Brussels will be extended to Germany in the near future.

VANCOUVER THIEVES LIBERATED IN CITY

One Returns to Jail for a Month—The Other Advised to Leave Town.

John Ogilvie, who came out of jail yesterday, after having served a sentence of six months for a robbery committed in Vancouver, returned to the same jail this morning to serve a sentence of one month for the theft of two brooms from the doorway of the Windsor Grocery store, corner of Government and Courtney streets.

Ogilvie said he came from Vancouver with a batch of prisoners and served his first sentence here. On his release yesterday he had no money and eventually borrowed a dollar from another Vancouver criminal, who was sentenced at the Hillside avenue jail also. With the dollar he bought drink in a saloon; the drink got to his head and he took the brooms, he supposed, but did not recollect the incident.

The man who served the sentence with him gave evidence, trying to steer an equitable course between not informing against his friend and keeping on the right side of the city police. To oblige the prisoner he said the man's head was affected by the drink, and to keep square with the police he said the prisoner was sober in the legs and had been able to run with the brooms.

The police advised the witness to get back to Vancouver in a hurry, and Ogilvie returned to the cells.

PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE.

Lady Visitors' Report for the Month—November Donations.

The usual monthly meeting of the Ladies' Council of the Orphans' Home was held at the city hall on Monday, December 5, at 2.30 p. m., the following ladies being present: Mesdames McTavish, McCulloch, Toller, J. Langley, E. Andrews, W. Scowcroft, W. Munsie, Huckell, E. Few, E. Denny, Spragge, Coshenour, Teague, N. Shakespeare, the Misses Tolmie and Metcalf.

After prayers the former minutes were read and adopted. There was very little business to be dealt with other than the Christmas tree festival which it was decided to hold on Thursday, December 29. A very hearty welcome is extended to old friends and new residents of the city to be present on this occasion. The Misses Tolmie and Scowcroft are kindly preparing the children to present a bright and pleasing programme of songs, and a very large attendance is looked for, as in former years.

The appended interesting report from the visiting ladies and also the donation list was read. Bills were paid amounting to $294.86.

The committee are most grateful to Dr. Proudfoot, the well-known specialist, for very kind professional services, which they sincerely appreciate.

Mesdames Todd and Munsie reported as follows:

During the last month we have visited the home five times, and report things generally in a good condition.

On the occasion of one of our visits dinner was just being prepared. It consisted of sausages, fried potatoes and baked apples—plenty for all.

On looking at the furnace it was found that a new grate was needed, so we have ordered one to be put in. The other purchases for the month consisted of a piece of strong flannelette for nightgowns, which are now being made, and a bolt of elastic, as well as some groceries.

The children's beds were examined and found to be in good order, sufficiently supplied with warm covers for the cold winter, which, we think, is expected.

The oilcloth in the opper hall is in bad condition and will soon need renewing.

Quite a bit of trouble is being given by the chickens, who will not remain in their domain, but prefer the children's playground, or the back steps of the home; their wings have been cut and the fence mended, but still they persist in wandering at their own sweet will. We leave them to the tender mercies of the next visitors.

We have to report a bad leak in the roof; a door of the woodshed needing mending, and the shelves in the pantry in want of new supports.

On our last visit several of the boys were busy carrying in and piling the winter's wood, while others were tying up the vines at the front door, which had been blown down by the heavy windstorm that visited Victoria lately.

We should like to draw your attention to the two-plank sidewalk on Cook street, leading to the George Jay and Spring Ridge schools, where twenty-eight of the children attend. It is decidedly too narrow, and in bad weather will be really dangerous. All that is needed is one more plank, as the supports are wide enough to allow this.

The following donations are thankfully acknowledged: Mrs. M. Hardie, Cook street, sweet corn, box tomatoes; from Gospel hall, Pandora street, apples, cakes; Anonymous, boots, clothing, hat; Fletcher Bros., plate for sewing machine; Mrs. Worsfold, clothing, boots; Mrs. Despecker, boots, clothing, material; Mrs. Godfrey Booth, boots, clothing, toys; Mrs. Sherrett, two dresses, two jackets; Mrs. M. C. McCrae, Mt. Tolmie, sack apples; Mrs. McLean, Moss street, boots, clothing; Mr. King, Cedar Hill, sack apples; Police authorities, 8 ducks; Mr. May, Mt. Tolmie, boots, clothing; A. Fairfield, 1012 Pendergast street, boots, clothing; Tony Silvene, 15 lbs. butter; Mrs. Munsie, clothing; Mrs. Munday, Elliot street, boots, clothing; Cafe Chantant, per Mrs. F. S. Barnard, bread, cakes; Friend, sack pears, tins; Mrs. Munsie, boots; Mrs. P. Hillis, pictures; Times and Colonist, daily papers.

TWENTY PERISH.

Ravenna, Italy, Dec. 12.—Twenty persons were drowned when a ferry boat crossing the Po river was overturned.

IS NO NEED FOR A REFERENDUM

SCHOOL BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL AGREE

Lot on Kingston Street Will Be Expropriated for School Purposes

It is improbable that anything further will be heard of Mayor Morley's proposal to take a referendum at the approaching municipal elections on the question of the relations between the school board and the city council. It is known that a majority of the members of the council are opposed to any such procedure, and at last night's meeting the immediate matter which gave rise to his worship's suggestion for a referendum was disposed of.

The finance committee presented a report, which was adopted, recommending that the city accept the suggestion made by the chairman of the school board, George Jay, that in view of the fact that the School act, while permitting the board to expropriate land for school purposes, does not supply the necessary machinery for so doing, the council instruct the city solicitor to proceed under the provisions of the Municipal Clauses act and secure possession of a lot adjoining the present site of the Kingston street school this additional land being required for school purposes there.

The report of the streets committee accepting the amounts to be paid owners whose property will be taken for a part of the site of the proposed High School in Spring Ridge was adopted with the exception of the offer of E. J. Saunders, on the value of whose property arbitration proceedings will be taken. The recommendation that $193,000 be paid to the B. C. Land & Investment Agency, acting for the Douglas estate, for sixty-six feet on Government street, and $132,000 to David Spencer Limited, for frontage on Broad street, the above properties to be secured for the extension of View street through to Government street, was laid over for a week until the by-law authorizing the expropriation comes up for consideration.

Other recommendations by the street committee were adopted to the effect that Bastion street owners be assessed for their share of the cost of paving at an equal rate per front foot throughout the entire length of the street and that a permit be granted the E. & N. railway for the erection of a temporary freight shed on Store street upon the company entering into an undertaking to cause the removal of the structure after a period of eighteen months from the date of the permit.

NORTHWESTERN IS PULLED OFF ROCKS

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Yielding to the strong and steady pulls of the tug William Jolliffe and the wrecking steamer Salvor, of the B. C. Salvage company, the Alaska steamer Northwestern, which ran ashore on Pile Point, San Juan island, a week ago, was floated this morning at 10 o'clock, and is now on her way to Seattle for repairs.

As soon as the tide was at the flood this morning the Salvor and William Jolliffe placed heavy hawsers aboard the Northwestern and strained on the lines for some time before the vessel showed any signs of moving. With both engines going full speed ahead, the steamer finally gave way and glided off into deep water.

Inside the crumpled bow of the Northwestern the wrecking crew built a wooden bulkhead, and in the forehold constructed a platform to cover the punctured plates. Cement was unsparingly used in making all the joints tight. The crew was only able to work in the forward hold at lower tide, as at high water it was flooded, and this partly accounts for the Northwestern not being off before.

With all the interior work completed the Salvor placed several big centrifugal pumps aboard and with the aid of these the hold was kept practically free of water. All the freight was loaded on to the Neptune, of Seattle, so as to lighten the steamer.

Immediately after word of the stranding reached this city the Salvor was dispatched to the assistance of the Northwestern, but Capt. Crosker, her master, refused to accept help. It was not until the tug Wyadda arrived from Seattle with the underwriters and the owner's representative, that any steps were taken in regard to salving. The contract was awarded to the local company and the price agreed upon is said to have been $25,000 for delivery in Seattle.

This success of the B. C. Salvage Company adds another record to their already long list of successful salvages. This is the second time that the Salvor has freed the Northwestern from the rocks, the other occasion being when she ran aground at Latouche, Alaska. Although the winds were at times unfavorable and a heavy sea was kicked up, the salvors worked through it all.

At the investigation held in Seattle Fourth Officer Allen, who was on the bridge at the time of the accident, testified that he was steering to courses laid by Capt. Crosker. He stated that the captain had, after passing Smith Island, directed the vessel for the Lime Kiln, near where she struck. Allen said that he was somewhat worried over the course the vessel was taking and called the captain, who did not come on deck, but ordered the officer in charge to haul off a little to the west. As soon as he saw land ahead Allen ordered the engines reversed. He stated before the board that he did not know whether the captain had taken into consideration the question of tides when laying his course.

QUAKE AT HAVANA.

Havana, Dec. 10.—No damage was reported to-day from the earthquake that visited this vicinity. The quake was a heavy one and lasted for several seconds. There was great alarm among the inhabitants. The quake occurred at 9 o'clock.

NEWEST DREDGE IS BEST IN SERVICE

Scottish Builders Launch Powerful Vessel for Canadian Government

One of the latest and best equipped dredges, designed for use by the Dominion government, was launched a few days ago at the shipbuilding yards of William Simons & Co., Glasgow, Scotland, and is now ready and complete for her work. She will leave shortly for Canada to commence her duties on the St. Lawrence river, freeing places there which are at present dangerous to navigation.

This new vessel is a powerful twin-screw, bow-well, barge-looking bucket dredger, and is especially adapted for dealing with hard substances at the bottom. She is built of steel throughout, and has been constructed under Lloyd's rules for their steel dredger class. Without a doubt she is one of the best dredgers in the Canadian service, and will prove of great use to the already adequate fleet of dredging vessels.

There has been installed in this new ship two sets of compound surface-condensing engines, which develop a nominal speed for such a craft. Steam is supplied by two steel multitubular boilers, both to Lloyd's requirements for 120 pounds working pressure. Each set of engines is arranged to give two speeds of buckets, so that either is available for driving the dredging gear irrespective of whether the material is of a soft or hard nature, a constant piston speed being always maintained.

The bucket ladder is designed for dredging the vessel's flotation, and to a depth of 50 feet below the water level. The bucket dredging capacity will be from 1,000 to 1,200 tons an hour, thus enabling her to lift a great amount of sediment from the harbors in a day.

It is thought that this type of dredge will be used on this coast, as there has been considerable talk here at various times that the Dominion government would construct a vessel on these lines for dredging purposes in British Columbia waters.

ALASKAN WATERS BETTER LIGHTED

Following Canada's Example Many Acetylene Lights Will Aid Northern Navigation

After years of agitation, and ceaseless effort to get the United States federal government to recognize the need of more aids to navigation in Southeastern Alaska, Puget Sound shipping men just are beginning to get results. From the lighthouse commander's office at Ketchikan, a list of new lights and other aids has been sent out. New aids are largely of the acetylene variety, in use for years by the Canadian government. The list of new aids and the locations follows:

Stephens Passage—Point Young light, established November 26. An unwatched acetylene light, showing a single white flash every three seconds, duration of flash three-tenths of a second, dark interval, two and seven-tenths seconds. The light is fifteen feet above the water and is shown from the top of a small wooden house, painted white, located on the northern extremity of Point Young, and is visible eight miles, between 65 degrees 15 minutes true (N.E. by N. mag.) and 38 degrees 45 minutes true (W.S.W. ½ W. mag.)

Stephens Passage—Point Arden light, established November 28. An unwatched acetylene light, showing a single white flash every three seconds, duration of flash three-tenths of a second, dark interval two and seven-tenths seconds. The light is seventy feet above the water and is shown from a small wooden house, painted white, located on the northeastern extremity of Point Arden, and is visible eight miles, between 115 degrees 00 minutes true (E. 3-16 N. mag.) and 333 degrees 15 minutes true (N.W. by W. ½ W. mag.)

Stephens Passage—Midway Island light, established November 28. An unwatched acetylene light, showing a single white flash every three seconds, duration of flash three-tenths of a second, dark interval two and seven-tenths seconds. The light is ninety feet above the water, illuminating the entire horizon and is shown from the top of a small, white wooden house, surmounting a brown colored, cylindrical concrete base built on the highest point of the rock. The iron spindle with a barrel on top, which formerly marked this rock, has been discontinued.

Stikine Strait—Vank Island light, established December 1. An unwatched acetylene light showing a white flash every three seconds; duration of flash, three-tenths of a second; dark interval, two and seven-tenths seconds. The light is thirty feet above the water, is shown from the top of a small, white wooden house on the southerly shore of Vank Island. The light is visible a distance of at least eight miles, between 281 degrees 30 minutes true (W.S.W. ½ W. mag.) and 108 degrees 00 minutes true (E.N.E. 15-16 E. mag.)

Prince William Sound—Valdez Narrows—Middle Rock light, reported extinguished December 5. It probably will not be relighted this winter.

SEEKS NEW TRIAL.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 12.—Genkyo Mitsunaga, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Katherine Wilson and sentenced to life imprisonment, is on the verge of nervous collapse. He was unable to appear in court Saturday when his attorneys presented a motion for a new trial.

Judge Shattuck granted the motion and set next Saturday as the day for argument.

It is believed that the Japanese government will drop the case, as Honorary Consul Dr. Bennett reported that Mitsunga received a fair and impartial trial.

RESTAURANT FIRE ON YATES STREET

Confusion Reigned on Government Street During Busy Hour Saturday Night

(From Monday's Daily.)

An alarm of fire and the rush of the fire brigade at the corner of Government and Yates streets on Saturday night, during the busy shopping hours, served to collect a tremendous crowd in the vicinity of Steitz' restaurant, where a pot of grease, overturned on the hot stove, was responsible for a blaze which resulted in damage to the extent of $150 through fire and water.

The crowd of eager sightseers hampered the work of the department, but as the blaze was not serious the fire department, which had been called by telephone, was soon able to return to headquarters and the crowd quickly melted away.

Above the restaurant there are rooms tenanted, and in these, as in the Majestic moving picture theatre and the Palace saloon, adjoining, there was much excitement and some confusion when the occupants became aware that a fire had been reported in the immediate vicinity. From the theatre the people poured quickly into the street, and business ceased temporarily in the saloon. Above the restaurant the tenants were busy saving their belongings.

An accident occurred to the hose wagon attached to the James Bay fire hall. In crossing the causeway into the city the wheel struck a rail and overturned. The men were uninjured and the apparatus was not damaged.

ROYAL OAK NEWS

A grand masquerade ball was held in the new hall last Thursday night. The costumes were brilliant and many well-sustained characters created mirth for the spectators until the grand march and unmasking was ordered by W. J. Quick, who was master of ceremonies. The attendance was even larger than on the opening night and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thos. A. Brydon has scored another triumph for Royal Oak fruit. This time he has, in open competition with the world, carried off first honors at the Royal Horticultural show in Edinburgh for the sixth best platter of dessert apples.

A. Angus and J. A. Grant intend further to spread the fame of this locality by collecting a district exhibit of farm produce and taking it to the New Westminster fair next year. They are confident of landing the Dewar Challenge Shield and the $500 prize.

Real estate continues active in this district, especially along the route of the electric railway survey.

J. A. Grant has bought 40 acres from John Watt of "Fir Brae" farm. This property will be cut up into small fruit farms and put on the market.

Peter Reid, of "Strathmore," has sold his 100 acre farm to A. G. Porter, Victoria.

A. Rutter, Port Arthur, will take up his home in two months' time on his late purchase, B. Haigh's place.

C. Schwengers has sold his summer residence on Prospect lake to Henry Brothers, Victoria.

J. J. Clarke has purchased an acre lot at Royal Oak and will erect a residence there at once.

M. Hutchison, formerly of Dawson City, has purchased seventeen acres at Prospect lake and will make his home there. Mr. Hutchison has travelled extensively and concluded that lower Vancouver Island is the peer of all places for a home.

The Royal Oak mail service has been improved. Letters can now be sent to Victoria twice daily. There is still room for a letter box at the station for convenience in mailing.

PACKERS SEEK DELAY.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Chicago packers individually indicted for conspiracy in violation of the Sherman law filed today with United States Judge Carpenter a motion asking that action on their cases be postponed until settlement of a suit pending before United States Judge Gorsscup for dissolution of the National Packing Company.

The petition alleges that the suit for the dissolution of the National Packing Company before Judge Gorsscup of the federal court involved the same charges as are contained in the indictments now pending against the packers.

POWELL WINS HANDS DOWN.

New York, Dec. 7.—Lew Powell, the San Francisco lightweight, is in great demand among matchmakers to-day as a result of the finished manner in which he polished off Young Otto in their fight at the National Sporting Club last night. Powell won hands down and at two or three stages of the ten-round bout it looked as though he were going to score a knockout but Otto managed somehow to weather the storm each time. Powell is now in line for matches with Palmer, Tommy Murphy and others.

U. S. COURT OF COMMERCE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—At least two members of the new court of commerce have been chosen, according to gossip in political circles here to-day. They are Franklin K. Lane, of California, and Judge Chas. A. Prouty, of Vermont. Both at present are members of the interstate commerce commission.

It is understood to be the president's desire to secure for the new court men who not only are in touch with the freight rate situation, but who also are familiar with the proceedings of the interstate commerce commission.

The information as to the appointment of Lane and Prouty is said to come from a reliable, if not absolutely authentic source.

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POPULATION OF U. S. AND ITS POSSESSIONS

Placed at 101,100,000 by the Census Bureau—Ranking of States

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12. — The grand total population of the United States is 101,100,000. These figures represent the United States and all its possessions.

The population of the United States with specified dependencies, including Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and military and naval persons abroad, is 93,402,152. Taking the population of the Philippines given in 1903, which was 7,635,426, and adding estimates for the insurgents of Guam and Somoa, and for the canal zone, the grand total population of the United States and its possessions is over 101,000,000.

The population of Hawaii is 190,108, an increase of 37,908, or 24.6 per cent.

The ranking of the states in the order of their population follows: New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, Massachusetts, Missouri, Michigan, Indiana, Georgia, New Jersey, California, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Iowa, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Minnesota, Virginia, Mississippi, Kansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, South Carolina, Maryland, West Virginia, Nebraska, Washington, Porto Rico, Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Maine, Oregon, South Dakota, North Dakota, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Montana, Utah, Vermont, District of Columbia, New Mexico, Idaho, Arizona, Delaware, Hawaii, Wyoming, Nevada, Alaska.

The population of the following counties in the state of Washington was announced by the census bureau: Spokane, 139,404; Pierce, 120,812; Whatcom, 49,511; King, 284,638.

The population of the state of Montana is 376,053, an increase of 132,724, or 54.4 per cent., and Wiscosin 2,334,860, an increase of 12.7 per cent.

The corrected census of New York is announced as 9,113,614, an increase of 25.4 per cent. The state gets nine new congressmen under the present apportionment.

The corrected total population is 752,619, an increase of 42.6 per cent., and a gain of one congressman.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—The census of the state of New Jersey is 2,535,157, as announced by the census bureau. This is an increase of 34.7 per cent. The new figures entitle New Jersey to three additional congressmen.

EIGHT HOUR DAY.

South Vancouver, Dec. 10.—Because of the meager light in which the municipal employees have to work, both at the commencement and end of the day's task, the South Vancouver council passed a motion specifying that each work day should hereafter consist of eight hours. They set the opening hour at 8 a. m. and the workers will be dismissed at 5 p. m. This motion was introduced by Councillor Baird and seconded by Councillor Todrick. A rider was added to the effect that the men be paid at the rate of 35 cents per hour. This arrangement will be continue until March 1, 1911, when some other arrangement may be made.

Several communications were received, among them being one from the school board endorsing the request of the Teachers' Association that the teachers be protected in the event of annexation of the district. The association asked, in their resolution passed at their last meeting: First, the position of the present principals remain the same; second, that no reductions be made in salaries; third, that the first assistants be given the preference in promotions that may be made. This letter was referred to the annexation committee.

RELIEF FOR "STRAP HANGERS."

"No Seat, No Five Cent Fare" Stand Taken by Supervisor at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 6.—A three cent car fare for strap hangers is the solution of poor street car service, according to a bill drawn up by Supervisor Hocks, which will be submitted to the board of supervisors when that body meets to-morrow.

"No seat, no five cent fare," is the stand that Supervisor Hocks has taken in his bill.

"I have no quarrel with the street car company," said Hocks to-day, "but I believe that such an ordinance would bring about better service."

The bill does not provide for the collection of the additional two cents where a passenger obtains a seat after paying a "strap hanger" fare.

THE "UNWRITTEN LAW."

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 9. — Menlo More, charged with the murder of Charles Gibson, whom he shot and instantly killed October 3, was acquitted yesterday. Moore, a theatrical manager, killed Gibson, a millionaire, at the railway station here. He pleaded as a defence the "unwritten law."

LICENSE TO AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

Canada:

Province of British Columbia.

No. 449.

This is to certify that "E. P. Charlton & Co., Limited," is authorized and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.

The amount of the capital of the Company is seventy-five thousand dollars, divided into seven hundred and fifty shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this province is situate at 339 Hastings street, in the City of Vancouver, and M. O. Upton, Manager, whose address is Vancouver aforesaid, is the attorney for the Company.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 2nd day of September, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which this Company has been established and licensed are:

1. To carry on in all its branches the business of traders, dealers in and manufacturers of all kinds of goods, wares and merchandise:

2. To acquire and take over, as a going concern, the business carried on in the City of Montreal, and elsewhere in Canada, under the name of E. P. Charlton & Co.:

3. To acquire and undertake the whole or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person, company or corporation, carrying on any business this Company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company:

4. To subscribe for, take, or in any way acquire the stocks, shares, bonds, debentures, or other obligations or securities of any company having objects similar to those of this Company; to sell, or otherwise dispose thereof, subject always to the provisions of section 44 of "The Companies Act"; to guarantee any bonds, debentures, obligations or securities so sold or disposed of by this Company, or of any company having such objects:

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6. To sell or dispose of the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof, for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities in any other company having objects similar to those of this Company.

LAND ACT.

DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE III.

Take notice that Samuel G. Parker, of Bella Coola, occupation bookkeeper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S. E. corner of B. C. D. Co.'s Lot 237, on the west side of South Bentinck Arm, thence west 80 chains, thence south 20 chains to timber lease 1706 and B. C. D. Co.'s Lot 149, thence east 80 chains more or less to the shore line of South Bentinck Arm, thence north 20 chains along the shore line to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

SAMUEL G. PARKER.

B. FILLIP JACOBSEN, Agent.

September 10th, 1910.

TEACHER WANTED for Otter Point school; one that is musical preferred. Apply M. Emerson, Secy. School Board, Otter Point, B. C.

HENRIETTE CRASHED INTO B. C. SOAP WORKS

(From Saturday's Daily.)

When the G. T. P. steamer Henriette failed to answer her helm in making the turn at Laurel Point yesterday afternoon, she crashed into the B.C. Soap Company's dock and cut her way through for 30 feet of the wharf. The Grand Trunk steamer, which is under charter to the Pacific Whaling Company, was on her way from the Michigan Puget Sound Lumber Company's wharf, where she loaded 250,000 feet of lumber, to the outer dock to take on more freight for the whaling station at Naden harbor, and was making about five knots an hour.

All the other turns in the harbor were made, but when it came to swinging the vessel to pass the soap works the helm refused to work, and although the engines were going full speed astern when she hit, the weight behind forced her right through until the rocks arrested her course.

In endeavoring to pull the Henriette off the Otter broke her steering gear, and tore out a chock. The tug Nidge also placed a line aboard, but was unable to move the vessel. It was not until the Lorne came alongside that the vessel was released.

The hull was uninjured, a little paint scraped off her sides being the only witness of the affair.

KOMURA WILL RESIGN.

Tokio, Dec. 10.—The resignation of Count Komura, minister of foreign affairs, must be regarded as an event of the not far distant future.

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