

MANUFACTURE OF STEEL AT SYDNEY

ADDITIONAL FURNACES ARE NOW BEING BUILT

Ontario Hotelkeepers Protest Against Prohibition—The Trouble Among the Rifles.

Montreal, Jan. 24.—A meeting of the directors of the Dominion Iron & Steel company was held here today. James Ross was in the chair and Hon. David McKee, Hon. G. A. Cox, Elias Rogers, R. B. Angus, R. Mackay, F. B. Pearson and A. J. Moxhal were present. Satisfactory reports were received regarding the manufacture of steel at the works both as to quality and cost. Two furnaces are now operating and one will be added every 10 days until the full number is at work. The directors of the Dominion Coal company also met. No business of any public importance was transacted.

Montreal Mayoralty.
Montreal, Jan. 24.—The peculiar situation of Montreal's mayoralty fight partially relaxed this afternoon when Mayor Prefontaine and Dr. Lachapelle retired from the field, leaving ex-Mayor Wilson Smith and James Cochrane, M. P., to face the electorate. Dr. Lachapelle was willing to retire if Mr. Prefontaine would retire, and Mr. Wilson Smith was willing to be elected by acclamation. Mr. Cochrane would not retire unless Mr. Wilson Smith retired and finally the friends of Lachapelle, Prefontaine and Wilson Smith agreed that the latter should be mayor unless Cochrane persisted in remaining in the fight. The trouble at Halifax.

Halifax, Jan. 24.—The unpleasantness in the Mounted Rifles is said to be due to the dismissal of a large number of Western men for what was considered a good cause. This feeling of resentment had culminated in a conspiracy to get even with an officer or two after the Victorian had sailed. It was one of those who had been dismissed who had incited the men still connected with the regiment to revolt. News of the alleged plot to mutiny caused considerable excitement at the camp. This morning 10 men were placed under arrest.

Manitoba School Books.
Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 24.—In the legislature today Attorney-General Campbell is introducing a bill to amend the Education act, announced that the government is considering the advisability of furnishing free text books to schools, and also the question of printing them.

Prohibition Question.
Toronto, Jan. 24.—A thousand hotelkeepers from all over the province waited upon the general assembly today and strongly protested against the introduction of any legislation dealing with prohibition. Premier Ross simply said the representations made would be considered fully before any bill was introduced.

STRIKE AT AN END.

Successful Termination of Negotiations Between Rosland Union and Le Roi Mine.

Rosland, Jan. 24.—The executive of the Rosland Miners' union makes the following announcement today:
The negotiations that have been going on for the past week between John H. Mackenzie, manager for the Le Roi Mine company, and the executive board of the Rosland Miners' union were successfully completed this afternoon. This only applies to the Le Roi mine. Negotiations are being carried on with the other mining companies of the camp which have been affected by the strike, but they are not yet completed. Workmen in outside camps are advised to keep away from Rosland for the present, as there are more union men at present time than can secure employment till a settlement has been effected with the other mining companies. Executive committee, Rosland Miners' union, No. 38, W. E. M. Frank, E. Woodside, secretary, January 24th, 1902.

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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

Final Report Will Be Presented to Congress in Few Days—The Question of Trusts.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The industrial commission, after years spent in investigating the industrial condition of the country with the view of making recommendations calculated to assist in the solution of the problems of the times has completed and sent to the printer its final report. It is expected that this report will be presented to congress within the next few days. The final document will be a volume of about 1,000 pages, and will be a review of the evidence contained in the previously published 18 volumes. In the last volume the various questions which have been considered in the course of the inquiry are discussed under separate headings and recommendations are made.
On the subject of trusts the commission followed closely lines of recommendations laid down by the President in his annual message. Supervision by the national government is recommended. The most radical step suggested in that direction by the reports is that the books of all corporations should be subject at all times to inspection as are the books of national banks. This, it is claimed, would do away with the protection of the public against impositions in the way of capitalization and other devices.
The commission discusses government ownership of railroads and telegraph lines, but does not recommend such a departure from present methods.

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According to last night's issue of the Provincial Gazette, the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council has instituted a board of examiners at the following coal mines:
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The following are members of the board of examiners at the coal mine written opposite their respective names, namely:
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William Stainsby, of Morrissey, Morrissey mine.

All government agents, gold commissioners, mining recorders, deputy mining recorders and deputy assessors have been appointed collectors of revenue tax for the assessment districts within which they reside; and the under-mentioned persons are appointed collectors of revenue tax for the assessment districts written opposite their respective names, namely:
John Joseph Johnston, of New Westminster, New Westminster assessment district.
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Charles Harrison, of Masset, S. M., Victoria assessment district.

Other appointments are as follows:
William Edwin Newcombe, of Trout Lake, M. D. C. M., to be a coroner in and for the Lardene and Trout Lake mining divisions.
James Edward McMillan, of the city of Montreal, barrister-at-law, is made a commissioner for taking affidavits in and for the courts of British Columbia.
The Active Gold Mining Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000.
The Union Trust Company, Limited, is licensed to carry on business within the province. The head office of the company is situated at Toronto, Ont. The amount of the capital of the company is \$2,000,000, divided into 20,000 shares of \$100 each. The head office of the company in this province is at Vancouver, and Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K. C., is the attorney for the company.

The Tamarack Group Development syndicate, non-personal liability, has been registered as an extra-provincial company. The head office of the company is at Spokane, Wash. The amount of the capital of the company is \$750,000, divided into 1,500,000 shares of 50 cents each. The head office in this province is at Slokan city, and John F. Holden, mine superintendent, is attorney.
The Court of Assize will be held at the court house, Victoria, on Thursday, February 13th, 1902.
Messrs. Binn & Thompson, of Uchelet, have assigned all their property to James E. Sutton, of Uchelet. A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of Pooley, Laxton & Pooley, 21 Bastion street, on January 31st at 3 p. m.

The following other assignments are gazetted: Ed. Earl Schofield, jeweller, of Rosland, to Walker J. Robinson, of same city; Cooper Bros., harnessmakers, of Vernon, to Frederick Billings, of the same place; Bowme Bros., general merchants, of Revelstoke, Nakusp and New Denver, to Frederick Buscombe and A. W. Johnston, of Vancouver; Wm. Macpherson, jeweller, of Greenwood, to Wallace Ogle Wright, of the same place.
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ANOTHER VISIT FROM STORM KING

THE FIRST SNOW FOR THE PRESENT WINTER

Rosalie Loses a Boat in Crossing the Straits—Charmer Remains in Port Till Daybreak.

A mild edition of the storm of Christmas night put in an appearance shortly after two o'clock this morning. A high gale, accompanied by a snow storm, raged from the north until this morning, when the snow ceased, but the wind, however, still continuing. The storm, which practically without warning, the night up to one o'clock a.m. being clear and fine, and devoid of any suggestion of approaching trouble. The wind attained a velocity of about 45 miles at its highest point, as contrasted with 60 miles regular, and 72 miles, occasional, in Christmas night's gale. About two or three inches of snow fell, but this, instead of being deposited on a level, was piled up in heaps around the fences and doorsteps, making work for the householder before he ventured out to his regular occupation.
The storm seems to have been a general one, as the telegraphic wires eastward from the Terminal City were not working satisfactorily. The Western Union telegraph wires to Vancouver remained in service, but southward and eastward from the Terminal City were not working satisfactorily. The Western Union telegraph wires to Vancouver remained in service, but southward and eastward from the Terminal City were not working satisfactorily. The Western Union telegraph wires to Vancouver remained in service, but southward and eastward from the Terminal City were not working satisfactorily.

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LIVE STOCK TRADE.

Its Rapid Development During the Last Few Years Between the Provinces.

Trade in live stock between Eastern and Western Canada has been growing rapidly within the last few years, says the Dominion live stock commissioner in a paper just issued. This increase of trade has been promoted, and in fact made possible, by the wise and generous treatment of the C. P. R. During the month of December and the first eight days in January, 40 cars of grade and pure bred cattle were shipped from Eastern Canada to British Columbia. These cars contained 2,225 head, and cost in the East something over \$80,000. Besides these, a considerable number have recently been sent to the Northwest Territories and are now in hand for additional shipments to be made to the last mentioned territory. In order to promote this trade, which has proved very profitable in many districts in Eastern Canada, farmers should use first class stock, and the most careful selection and wise treatment females sired by such bulls will prove excellent dairy cows.
It is a noticeable fact that seven-tenths of the stock used for dairy purposes in Great Britain are shorthorn and shorthorn grades. Probably the most suitable dairy cow for the average farmer is a shorthorn Ayrshire cross. Steers, whose duties are strong grade Ayrshires, if not by a shorthorn bull, prove excellent feeders and very desirable shipping cattle. As dairy animals there are none, in the hands of the general farmer, will excel the shorthorn Ayrshire cross.

B. C. PERMANENT LOAN AND INVESTMENT CO.

Fourth Annual Statement Indicates the Thrifty Condition in Which the Association Stands.

The fourth annual statement of the British Columbia Loan & Savings company shows that association to be one of the most thrifty in the province. It discloses a large and satisfactory advance made during the past year in both the business and the assets of the company. The latter, which stood at \$230,297.11 at the close of 1900, and reached \$490,888.76 at the end of 1901, or an increase of 109 per cent. The subscribed capital now stands at over \$1,800,000.
Of course in a company of this character the judgment shown in loaning the funds is one of the most important duties devolving upon the manager and the board of directors. This fact appears to be fully realized by them and they state that great care is exercised in making the loans. The new loans made during the past year have been 304 in number, the amount of same being \$288,108.38. This shows \$950 as the average of each loan. Besides these the report states that 62 more loans, for the sum of \$2,900, have been granted and are now being carried through. No loan is made for more than 60 per cent. of the value of the property and the report states that the cash value of the property pledged is \$2,000,000, every dollar loaned, on a margin of 114 per cent. The loans now current are 515, the average amount being \$861.89. Not a single mortgage has been foreclosed during the past year.
The present price of the stock of the company is stated to be \$130 per share, it having risen from \$112 per share during the year, which the report states gives the company the third place in a list of cities of Quebec, and from points from this line to Port Arthur, Ottawa and Montreal.
2. From a point on the Company's line between Port Arthur and Fort Frances; thence northerly and easterly to the city of Quebec, and from points from this line to Port Arthur, Ottawa and Montreal.
3. From a point on the Company's line near Swan River to the Pacific Coast at near Skeena River, by way of the Pine River Pass.
4. From a point on the line east of Edmonton in Alberta or Saskatchewan, to the Red Deer River.
5. From a point on the Company's line near Hanging Hide River (Saskatchewan) to the mouth of the Carrot River near Pas Mission.
Also, increasing the capital of the Company by issuing debentures in connection with the acquisition of vessels, hotels, restaurants and other properties; and to acquire and utilize water powers for the generation of surplus power; and to acquire or establish pleasure resorts; and to dispose upon lands served by the Company's railways; to improve the Company's lands, and the complete reconstruction of the line between the Company and the Edmonton, Pacific Railway Company.
Dated 24th December, 1901.
J. M. SMITH, Secretary.

WARRANT ISSUED.

Mr. Speaker Booth Gives Necessary Authority for the Victoria Bye-Election.

The government can no longer plead that it has not sufficient or legal notice from the Speaker in regard to the Victoria bye-election. Two days since there was notice given by the provincial secretary a warrant from Mr. Speaker Booth authorizing the issuance of the writ for the Victoria bye-election.
The warrant was this time under seal, so that the government cannot urge the same technical excuse as it had with the last communication of the Speaker, which it was urged was not properly speaking a warrant, because it lacked the seal as called for by the statute.
The drill of the Roman soldier was exceedingly severe. It comprised not only the use of weapons, but running, jumping, climbing, wrestling and swimming in full armor.

"YARN TOO THIN."

Chinaman Convicted of Being in Possession of Intoxicants on Reserve.

A cute Chinese by the name of Sung Sing, tried to make the magistrate believe a very transparent tale in the police court this morning. Sing was charged with being in possession of intoxicants on the Indian reserve, having been gathered in yesterday by Special Constable Carroll with a bottle of whiskey on him.
This morning he explained that he had no intention of supplying the liquor to any Indian, but was merely taking it to where he was sawing cordwood, about a mile out of town. He said he secreted the bottle in his trousers because he was afraid the Indians would rob him of it. He did not know that it was against the law to have intoxicants on the reservation.
This glibly told yarn failed to convince the court, and Sing was convicted and fined \$25 and \$3.50 costs or six months' imprisonment with hard labor. If he does not pay his fine he will miss Chinese New Year, which falls on Thursday week.
He is not a debutant at the police court by any means. The record book shows several convictions against him for theft, and his face appeared strangely familiar as he sprang his yarn from the prisoners' docket.
A. W. Brown was charged with drunkenness. He failed to appear, and his bail of \$10 was forfeited. Another who indulged too freely was fined \$2.50 or five days.
The case of Yee Sney, charged with having been drunk, will be heard to-morrow morning.

TWENTY-ONE MINERS DEAD.

Oskaloosa, Ia., Jan. 24.—As the result of a terrible disaster at Lost Creek 21 miners are dead and eight injured. The explosion occurred at the noon hour and is what is known as a "dust explosion." The mine had just fired their usual noon shots, one of which proved to be a fizzle. The burning powder ignited the gas, and the explosion followed. Smoke and debris were blown out of the shaft 200 feet high. Part of the top works was torn away and the fans and cages were partially wrecked. It was 3 o'clock before volunteers dared to enter the east entry where the explosion occurred. The dead and injured were found terribly burned and mutilated. The fire, which at first was feared would prove destructive to the entire mine, had broken out, but the flames were finally controlled. At the time of the explosion more than one hundred men were in the mines, but all of them escaped to the east entry with slight injury.
Nearly all of the men were married and leave families in poor circumstances.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
Notice is hereby given that the Canadian Northern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act empowering the company to construct the following lines of railway, namely:
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To Norman H. Van Buren:
Take notice that an application has been made to register Frederick B. Pemberton as the owner in fee simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Victoria to him dated 25th October, 1901, of the easterly 1/2 of Lot 297, Block 15, Victoria City. You are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 90 days from the date of this notice, and in default of a caveat or certificate of dependents being filed within such period you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Frederick B. Pemberton as owner thereof.
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 31st day of December, 1901.
J. HERRICK M'GREGGOL, Registrar-General.

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TRAINS DELAYED BY SNOWS

HAVE BEEN HELD IN MOUNTAINS FOR

The Mayoralty Contest at Montreal.
An Old Couple Drowned in Nova Scotia.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 27.—The poll election fever is at its height. This afternoon applicants made to Judge Langelier for a mandamus ordering the city clerk to return Prefontaine's name, and to be remembered that four candidates were nominated. One, Dr. Lachapelle, was nominated in the belief that at a Frenchman could beat Prefontaine Smith, a former mayor, was nominated because it was the turn of a French-speaking mayor. J. C. Prefontaine had about ten days to go to the polls. In Prefontaine's case, of course, to be a proxy through power of attorney was then left to be done by the machine. A canvass of the city was opened with him, and finally Prefontaine and Prefontaine were made personally, was illegal. All now withdrew and the contest was made personally. In Prefontaine's case, of course, to be a proxy through power of attorney was then left to be done by the machine. A canvass of the city was opened with him, and finally Prefontaine and Prefontaine were made personally, was illegal. All now withdrew and the contest was made personally.

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—Col. P. H. Ross, a pioneer of Winnipeg, died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Ross, at 10:30 a.m. today. He had been ill for some time. He was 74 years of age. He was a member of the Victoria Rifles and the Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was a pioneer of Winnipeg, and was one of the first to settle in the city. He was a member of the Victoria Rifles and the Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was a pioneer of Winnipeg, and was one of the first to settle in the city. He was a member of the Victoria Rifles and the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

First Since Friday.
To-day's trains from the west to the east were held in the mountains by snowdrifts in the passes. The delay caused by snowdrifts in the passes. The delay caused by snowdrifts in the passes. The delay caused by snowdrifts in the passes. The delay caused by snowdrifts in the passes.

The Rat Portage Fire.
The fire at Rat Portage, Ont., which started on Saturday evening, has been extinguished. The loss is estimated at \$14,700. The fire started on Saturday evening, and was extinguished by the fire department. The loss is estimated at \$14,700.

Both Drowned.
Lunenburg, N.S., Jan. 27.—While out fishing last Saturday evening, a man and his wife, both over 60 years of age, were out in the water. They were recovered to-day, but both were drowned.

Nominated at Morrisburg.
Morrisburg, Jan. 27.—J. P. Whelan, of the provincial opposition, was nominated at a convention of Conservatives here on Saturday.

Stricken With Paralysis.
Toronto, Jan. 27.—H. S. Howland, a prominent financial figure of this city, died of paralysis this morning. He is 78 years of age.

THE LATE PRESIDENT.
The anniversary of His Birth Honored in United States Cities.
New York, Jan. 23.—Exercises in honor of the birthday of the late President McKinley were held in all the schools of this city. The anniversary of His Birth Honored in United States Cities. New York, Jan. 23.—Exercises in honor of the birthday of the late President McKinley were held in all the schools of this city. The anniversary of His Birth Honored in United States Cities.

THE CANADA ATLANTIC.
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