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A FACT OR A FAKE?

The San Francisco "Call" Describes a Racing Steamer as Building for Victoria Smugglers.

Nothing Known of Her Here by Those Best Qualified to Give Information.

The San Francisco Call, of recent date, publishes the following sensational story, in which, however, careful investigation fails to disclose the desirable element of truth.

"None of the names mentioned are at all familiar," he said, "in fact there are no men doing any smuggling from here."

"Not at all," he replied, "the presence of the Pacific Slope of special agents of the United States Treasury Department, here ostensibly for the purpose of investigating the workings of the Straits of Juan de Fuca."

"On the 20th of this month," the Victoria Sealing company's dispatch to England, with instructions to present the plans of the Straits of Juan de Fuca named.

"This development will be very great," he said, "and I cannot overstate its importance."

"I shall not attempt in this letter to discuss the mineral wealth of the Cariboo district or of the Coast, the exploitation of which may be expected to proceed with great rapidity when once facilities of transportation have been provided."

"In view of the considerations imperfectly set out above, I ask the people of Vancouver Island if it is not immensely to their interest that the railway which shall open the magnificent Mainland section should have its terminus at or upon the Island."

"I recognize that this terminus will be at Victoria, and I for one, with all the interest in the development of this section, will place it in the van of new countries."

"The southern division may be again subdivided into two nearly equal sections by a line drawn from the mouth of Bate Inlet to Yellow Head pass."

"The area of each of the sections referred to may be set down at 60,000 square miles, for that is what we are particularly concerned in at present, will have on the Mainland this area directly tributary to it."

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THE CELEBRATION.

Committee Work Confirmed and Estimates Approved at a General Meeting.

A Junior Lacrosse Event Added—The Reception Committee Called—Indian Races.

The general committee in connection with the Queen's Birthday celebration met last evening, Mayor Beaven in the chair, there being a good attendance of the working members.

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THE CONTRACT SIGNED.

Mr. T. W. Patterson having been awarded the contract for the construction of the new Victoria and Sidney railway, his foreman and a gang of men started grading yesterday, from the Sidney end of the line, and work will be pushed forward as fast as possible.

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JUBILEE HOSPITAL.

President Joshua Davies, Vice-President A. C. Flumerfelt, and Directors Alexander Wilson, E. Crow Baker, W. M. Chudley, L. Braverman, G. H. Brown, H. D. Helmeck and G. Worlock attended the regular monthly meeting of the Jubilee hospital.

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THE CITY NOT LIABLE.

Judgment Given in King v. The Corporation of Victoria, in Favor of the Defendants.

The most interesting case heard in the County court yesterday was that of King v. the Corporation of Victoria, a suit for damages and to recover loss sustained by the confinement of the plaintiff and his family in the hospital station last year, after he had buried the body of a person who had died of smallpox.

The circumstances of the case, as shown in evidence, were briefly as follows: King, who is a carrier or drayman, was engaged by Dr. Geo. A. Duncan, city health officer, to bury the body of a patient who had died of smallpox.

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