

ROYAL PRINCE REACHES COAST

IS MAKING GRAND TOUR OF THE WORLD

Empress of Japan Brings Further Contingent of Wrecked Crew of Mammoth Liner Dakota.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

On board R. M. S. Empress of Japan which pulled into the outer wharf at 5.30 yesterday afternoon was a member of the English royal family, in the person of H. H. Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. Accompanied by his valet alone he is making a grand tour of the world, and is staying at the Hotel Vancouver in the Terminal City for the next six days. His trip has no political significance, and is purely for the purpose of becoming acquainted with the different countries of the world.

Prince Leopold is a grandson of the late Queen Victoria and a nephew of His Majesty King Edward. He is the eldest son of H. R. H. Leopold, Duke of Albany, Duke of Albany, the eighth child of the late Queen. The Duke of Albany married the Princess Helen, daughter of the late Prince George of Waldeck and it is therefore from his mother that the present arrival at the coast takes his title of Prince.

The royal arrival is tall, broad, dark, aged 23 years, and is stamped with an Austrian appearance. By virtue of his birth he is Duke of Albany, the eighth child of the late Queen. The Duke of Albany married the Princess Helen, daughter of the late Prince George of Waldeck and it is therefore from his mother that the present arrival at the coast takes his title of Prince.

Among the arrivals at Victoria by the Empress of Japan were the shipwrecked crew of the Great Northern liner Dakota. Among these were Third Officer Owens and Fourth Officer Smith. They had been on the liner since the disaster, and displayed a considerable resilience until, as they said, such time as they could determine how they were to be treated.

When the Empress passed out of the bay of Vancouver the Mokohua could still be seen in the same position. At that time, the 21st ult., she had not commenced to break up. Members of the crew stated that the liner was heavily gale to do much damage, as the liner was firmly embedded on the reef's level. Those who arrived yesterday reported that few of the crew were saved from the wreck, and nearly all of them had to outfit again at Yokohama. They spent the night here and left today for Seattle.

The Empress of Japan which left Hongkong on the 14th ult., reached Yokohama on the 20th. She left at 12.30 the following morning, and was still well over 11 days in reaching this port. The overseas mail is due in Liverpool on the 14th inst. During her trip from Yokohama the Empress encountered very rough weather with prevailing strong head winds. Storms of snow were also experienced, and at times the weather was bitterly cold. Two days out from the coast the weather moderated, and as the vessel went had smooth sailing some of the lost time was made up. The white liner pulled out from the outer wharf shortly after 5 p.m. on her way to Vancouver.

Amongst those who landed at the outer wharf was J. A. Mara, president of the British Columbia Board of Trade, who had been on a visit to the Orient in company with his daughter. The vessel carried in all 411 passengers. The following is the saloon passenger list for Victoria and Vancouver: F. Adam, Miss Abrens, W. Benson, A. J. H. Carrill, J. Carrillon, J. H. Catlow, J. Callow, J. Cochran, B. B. Coykendall, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gardiner, A. S. Gingor, Mrs. T. E. Griffith, G. J. Gunther, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins and child, W. D. Hewitt, A. G. Hunter, W. Imhoof, Miss H. Kennedy, Miss E. Makeham, Mrs. M. M. Nichols, A. Mosle, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. B. Noble, valet and maid, W. T. Payne, H. Powers, N. W. Quinn, Col. J. Scott, M. S. M. and Mrs. J. B. Snook, P. Westendorff and S. Wilson.

BOUND FOR JAMESTOWN. Aden, Arabia, April 2.—A dispatch received from the island of Fernin, in the Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb, at the entrance of the Red Sea, announced that the British battleship Victoria, on her way to Hampton Roads, passed there this morning.

The two Japanese ships referred to in the dispatch from Aden are the cruisers Chitose and Taikuba, which were on their way to the United States under the command of Vice-Admiral Ijima, assistant chief of the general staff of the Japanese navy.

CHICAGO ELECTIONS.

Citizens Vote For Officers and Also on the Street Car Question.

Chicago, April 2.—Not in many years has there been held in Chicago a municipal election so important and far-reaching in its effect as that which began at 4 o'clock this morning at the 1,256 voting precincts in this city. Besides the election of city officers, the people will vote on the street car question, which has kept the city in agitation during the last ten years.

This election also will be the first by which city officials are to be elected for a term of four years as against a two year term.

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NEW ROAD IN SOUTHERN ALBERTA

ROUTE OF GREAT WEST RAILWAY ANNOUNCED

Work of Surveying and Grading the Track Will Be Commenced in Summer.

Cowley, Alb., April 2.—The promoters of the Great West Railway Company, recently chartered to run from Cowley, on the Crow's Nest to the Gap on the North Fork, are here with Promoter Hargrave, and have announced the route the road will follow.

The railroad will run easterly out of Cowley along the highway south of Massacre, Butte, to a point over the South Fork; thence curving northward to the Old Man river, crossing it on the bottom lands toward the mouth of the North Fork; thence up the east side to the Wild Rose branch, where the river turns westward, following close to the North Fork to the Gap in the Livingston range, with two sites at the Old Man river.

The work of getting out the necessary ties, piling and bridge timber will be proceeded with this summer, also the surveying and grading of the company's track. They will use 80-pound rails.

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THE PANAMA CANAL

United States Representative Declares Ships Will Be Sailing Through Waterway in Eight Years.

Kansas City, Mo., April 2.—Representative Edgar Ellis, who has just returned from the isthmus of Panama, said last night: "In eight years ships will be going through the Panama canal. It will cost five hundred millions of dollars, but we will build it. The canal has got to be built, and it always was convinced that it could not be built by contract."

Killed Two Persons, Mortally Wounded Others and Then Committed Suicide.

Alexandropolis, Russian Armenia, April 1.—A series of brutal murders was perpetrated here by a man named Karapetyan, who lately had been without employment and was refused further board and lodging in the home of a married sister. Karapetyan, with a pistol, mortally wounded his sister, killed her husband, mortally wounded a nephew and niece, killed a property agent, and then turned on his help, and mortally wounded the wife and mother of his neighbor. Then he committed suicide.

A dispatch from Winnipeg this morning states that Rev. Christopher Burnett, pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle, Burrow Ave., in that city has resigned from his charge there.

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NEW PASTOR FOR NEW CHURCH

ANOTHER BAPTIST CONGREGATION HERE

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WILL DENY CHARGES.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson Will Make Statement in House Regarding Accusations by Fredericton Paper.

Ottawa, April 1.—The Toronto Globe says editorially this morning that Hon. H. R. Emmerson must make answer to the charge published against him by the Fredericton Gleaner. The Globe says, must be proceeded against in court for criminal libel. No other course is open; Mr. Emmerson will seek no other. It is understood that Hon. Mr. Emmerson will make a statement in the House to-morrow emphatically denying the accusations of the Gleaner.

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STILL SIGHING FOR JOHN RICE

GENIAL STRANGER'S CHEQUES USELESS

Tested With Real Estate Agent and Obtained Money From Local Bank.

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How John Rice walked into town, turned right round and walked right out again, how incidentally John Rice "walked into" the officials of a local bank for some current coin of the realm, into a prominent real estate agent for many hours of his company on divers occasions and for numerous rides, drives and other amusements, including refreshments, moust and otherwise, and how after diffusing a general air of mystery, much respect in the breast of another Victoria merchant, for whose residence he offered \$15,000, he departed for pastures new—the light of day for the first time to-day. The facts are these:

On March 6th, shortly after 1 o'clock, an elderly gentleman of staid and respectable appearance, clothed in grey and respectability, full of face with locks that the snows of full fifty winters had dyed from Auburn to a sandy white, walked into the Victoria hotel on Government street.

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