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0.-Frank today by Carlotta G. Cox Spoken off the Coast With 350 8kins-Em. press Sails.

Hyades is Due Orient - Princess May Arrives From Skagway.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Local sealing schooners are doing well this season, according to reports received by the Victoria Sealing Company. Yesterday a telegram from San Francisco reported that the schooners City of San Diego and Carlotta G. Cox had been sighted off the Golden Gate. The Carlotta G. Cox, in charge of Captain Christensen, had a catch of 350 seals, and the City of San Diego had Sealers are armused of the Golden Gate.

seals, and the City of San Diego had 118.

Sealers are amused at the tale told by the Examiner recently of armed Japanese schooners which are securing Hotchkiss guns at the Golden Gate to prey on Russian rookeries. Had the schooners needed arms or intended to raid the Russian rookeries. Had the schooners needed arms or intended to raid the Russian rookeries they could have got guns in Japan and would not cross the Pacific in order to go back again to seek the Russian rookeries.

It has been well known in Victoria for some time past that the Japanese schooner Kinsu Maru, Captain Ritchle, was hunting off the Californian coast. She was despatched from Hakodate by Mr. King, of King & Laffin, to hunt off this southern coast and at the close of the coast season she is to come to Victoria to refit and make ready for a cruise in Behring Sea. Of late years a number of Japanese schooners have gone into Behring Sea. These vessels, as Japan is not a party to the modus vivendi enforcing many restrictions on pelagic sealing, use firearms and do not pay any attention to the sixty-mile limit—three marine leagues is their limit. The Victoria sealers must remain sixty miles from the islands and firearms are tabooed; seals must be taken in Behring Sea with spears.

THE HYADES DUE.

WHITE LINER SAILS.

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Steamship Empress of India Left for the Orient Last Night.

R. M. S. Empress of India sailed last night for the Orient, with forty first and second cabin passengers and a full cargo of general merchandise, including a large shipment of cottons to Shanghai.

The following passengers are a baker and saughter, Captain Drake, S. Skipworth, Major-General Burnett, Miss I Newcomb, E. Thomas, A. P. Griffith, H. W. Dainty, M. Mitchell, R. J. Smarden, B. Musgrave, Dr. A. Regensburg, W. A. Keyser, J. Wood, A. McKinley, R. N. Maitland, J. H. Teasdale, A. W. Fassett, Dr. J. B. Young, J. Schwelgart, H. B. Simpson, D. E. Brown and wife, Mrs. Thorp-Doubble, Mrs. S. M. Middleton.

Intermediate—J. A. Rowatt, F. T. Stone, Messrs, B

THE HYADES DUE.

Steamer Hyades, of the Boston Towboat line, is due today from Hongkong and the ports of China and Japan, bringing general cargo for this port. The Hyades, in command of Captain Wright, sailed from Yokohama on January 4. She is to discharge 350 tons of general freight, mostly Chinese and Japanese merchandise, at the ocean docks. Steamer Kanagawa Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisho line, is following the Hyades to Victoria. She is expected to reach port at the end of the week. Steamer Empress of Japan, of the C. P. R. fleet, is also en route from Yokohama to Victoria. She sailed from Yokohama to Tribal and Superintendent Pulhem states that at the present rate another two weeks is liable to put an end to travel over the trail.

THE GJOA'S MISSION.

The consul for Norway and Sweden has been informed of an important polar expedition, the issue of which will be watched with interest by mariners and scientists the world over. Somewhere in the frozen north the forty-seven-ton whaling sloop Gjoa is fighting the floes in the effort to find the northwest passage. This tiny vessel, probably the smallest that ever sailed on a North Pole expedition, has not been heard of since August, 1903, when a report, cached at the foot of the Franklin Moncached by Mrs. G. Cleveland, wife of Lewson, having been purchased by Mrs. G. Cleveland, wife of Lewson, having been purchased by Mrs. G. Cleveland, wife of Lewson and Capt. J. S. McCam, of the stage line owner.

Among the passengers who sailed for Skagway and Alaskan ports on Sunday, taking the place of the Ramona for the P. C. S. S. Co. There were 75 passengers. As part of the Seattle series of the Seattle's freight cargo were a large number of horses, many belonging to individual passengers. who will use them in hauling their season's supplies in over the trail. The balance of the animals are going in for use by the opposition stage line between the Seattle were George R. Perry and wife, of Dawson; Andy Merceran, an old-time Dawson trader, who is taking in a large quantity of supplies; W. B. McCuvver, a Dawson mining man; Mrs. Charles Garbutt and daughter, Miss Blanche Garbutt, of Dawson; Capt. B. D. Newcomb and Capt. J. S. McCam, of the Northern Commercial Company, who are heading a large party of employees; Lieut. E. H. Ellis, who is in charge of a detachment of twenty-six marines assigned to duty at Sitka; W. F. Thompson, editor of the Dawson. News, and Mrs. Thompson, and L. I. Hitchcock, of the gold commissioner's office at Dawson.

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ument, on Beachy island, north of Hudson's Bay, was found and taken to Copenhagen by the captain of a Danish whaling ship.

Fitted out at the expense of its captain, Roald Emundsen, the Gjoa left Christiania, Norway, at midnight June 17, 1903, with a crew of seven men. Previously a whaler, the Gjoa was overhauled and strengthened for a cruise of four years in the Arctic ocean. She was equipped with an auxiliary petroleum engine. Captain Emundsen, a Norwegian, was the first officer of the Belgica, in Gerlach's Antarctic expedition of 1897-99. He learned from an expert authority that the determination of the earth's magnetic North Pole would be of incalculable value to science, and in the interest of science he undertook the hazardous voyage, undeterred by the tragedies locked in the bosom of the frozen ocean.

Although Captain Emundsen allow.

Brings News of Passing of the Winter Trail in the Far North.

FOR SKAGWAY.

MANY LIVES LOST.

With the loss of the schooner Pearl,

With the loss of the schooner Pearl, which is now believed to have been a total wreck off the Alaskan coast, thirty-six lives were lost.

The Pearl is a schooner of 100 tons, belonging to the Alaska Codfishing Co. She was in command of Capt. Emil Soderholm, an experienced mariner, who was familiar with navigation among the Aleutian islands.

P. Lunding was first mate, and M. Tierney second mate. The members of the crewp were: A. C. Bjorsen, T. Thomson, Hans Hulm, P. Jugennsen and Hans Shellman, cook. The others on board were the following named fishermen:

NEW FISHING STATION.

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New fishing Scoured by British Pacific Fishing Company.

The Swedish royal family is of French extraction. When that country was going steadily to ruin in the early years of the last century, Marshal Bernadotte, one of Napoleon's ablest but least trusted generals, was nominated to the reversion of the crown of the childless Charles XIII., and he succeeded to the latter in 1818. Contrary to the belief of Napoleon, Bernadott and industrial position of his adopted country, and that most successfully, and as sit steadfastly refused to make himself a tool to aid the overweening vanity of the French emperor. Under his influence Sweden Joined the allies in their league against the latter, and as at recompense Norway Joined his dominions. Now the dynasty is as firmly setablished in the affections of the hardy Scandinavians as if the reigning family were the lineal descendants of Gustavus Adolphus, "the Protestant Lion of the North."

The Princess Margaret is an accomplished young lady and a very bend.

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RAIDED GAMBLERS.

Two Dozen Chinese Taken in Raid on Fan-tan Game Last Night.

Betrothed

Princess Margaret of Connaught to Wed Prince Oscar of Sweden.

Successful Canadian Engineer Officers of the Imperial Service,

London, March 3.—The King has given his consent to the betrothal of Princess Margaret Victoria Augusta and Convary Prince Const. The senting stood in front of Princess Margaret Victoria Augusta and Convary Prince Constables of the Imperial Service, which would have been barriaged had the signal been given. Three heart of the Princess Margaret Victoria Augusta and Convary Prince Convary Princess and Service of the Convary of the Convar

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editor and proprietor of the "Muskoka Herald," and subsequently commenced the publication of the "Canadian Lumberman." In 1881 he went again to the Northwest by way of Chicago, St. Paul and Bismarck, as the correspondent of the Toronto Mail. Next year Mr. Begg returned to the Northwest and established a sheep ranch at Dunbow, at the confluence of the High river with the Bow.

Coming to British Columbia in the latter "eightles," the late Mr. Begg acted for a time as special immigration commissioner for the government of this province, to arrange for the settlement of a large number of Crofter fishermen on the western shores of this island, this being the favorite project of his life, as it was that of the then premier of British Columbia, the late Hon. John Robson. Both felt very keenly the failure of the arrangements which were undertaken with a view to providing the Crofters with a home in this new world, in which they believed they would prove a most useful and important element in the population. Subsequently Mr. Begg did good service in advertising to the world the importance of the northern areas of British Columbia, and in interesting capitalists in the possibilities of development by railway construction. He also gave much time and study to the Alaska boundary question, in connection with which he made his last of many trips to England, to lay his data before the Imperial authorities.

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