VICTORIA MUST

BE GREAT PORT

Is Opinion of Visiting English Railway Manager--Discusses Possibilities of Future in Most Optimistic Vein.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

"You have got the jumping-off place but not the railroad facilities," said Henry Holmes, superintendent of the London & Southwestern railway this

Coming from one who has evidently studied the present fight for Oriental trade, this phrase is most significant. With an unbiassed mind he has looked into the strategical position of Victoria and spoke with conviction when asked generally as to the city's future prospects.

"All your city wants is railroad connection with the mainland," he continued. "Seymour Narrows?" suggested the reporter.

"Yes, that's where I mean, the strait half way up the island," replied Mr. Holmes. "There are no engineering difficulties anywhere that cannot be met with energy, time and money. And it is certain that the final big port of the North Pacific will either be on Vancouver Island or on the mainland to the north. Though I was struck with the energy and enterprise of Vancouver, I cannot imagine that the Canadian Pacific intends ultimately to keep it as an ocean terminal. To me the channel from the open sea to that point appears most intricate. Victoria appears to me a place of tremendous possibilities." And here Mr. Holmes pointed out graphically that this city occupied with its island situation almost the same position as London, and again called Victoria "the jumping-off place."

C. P. R., Mr. Holmes was equally frank is splendid. and enthusiastic. He has evidently conceived a great love for Canada. What he and his fellow travellers ed the former, "that we have been able think of the province and city will appear later on.

"The Cauadian Pacific is a tremendous enterprise," he continued. "From an engineering standpoint it is a wonderful piece of work. Take the Loop of the Illecillewaet and the work through Roger's Pass, for instance. Both these show the greatest ability and enterprise. In fact, from one end to the other the road is a great artery opening up Canada. The road bed is' particularly good. Of course, construction in a new country like Canada s easier than where one is cramped, as in England. Here the builders use all the room they require. That makes have to be so abrupt, and this fact explains why you have such big railway carriages. In England we cannot use them over 60 ft. long, while the C. P. R. have them of 85 feet. If we used these in the Old Country one end would be touching the side of the tunnel on may also be said that Mr. Holmes ex-

"While on a single track like the C. P. R. trains, every 2½ minutes, like we have, are an impossibility, I can say signal boxes, ma is the best possible under the circumstances. Enormous engines, long trains of cars and many miles without a stop are possible through Canada, and the of this important invention, as debig Canadian road has taken full ad-

"Not only from a patriotic but also trains and steamers."

ager of the Great Central Company, were extremely well posted on matters came into the conversation, and it be- affecting British Columbia, showing a

"One rushing across a continent is liable to receive wrong impressions." Mr. Fay said, "but Canada is a great had with the premier to-day, but its country. We were in time for the nature cannot be learned. about Canada, but never realized it.

When asked as to his opinion of the I the difference. Canada by the Pacific And the mountainsthey're wonderful.'

"Oh! yes," said Mr. Fay and his young son. "I am sorry," next remarkto see little of British Columiba, but the whole trip." And then again came the Victoria and Old Country compari-"We can well understand that as you say, many people from the prairie are coming here to live. The ous. We go over to Seattle to-night and will take the train to 'Frisco from travelling back through the States. British Columbia will, however, most likely see us again.

With this parting word Mr. Holmes concluded a most interesting conversa

The gentlemen that spoke as above are two of a party of distinguished British raflroad men making a pleasure tou of Canada and the United States. The others are S. T. Dutton, engineer of the East Indian railway, and J. P O'Donnell, one of the most distinguish ed consulting engineers of England. It plained that his company is experimenting with a new signalling system. signal boxes, make everything throughout the system automatic and prevent accidents like that deplorable cently on the railway controlled by Mr. Holmes, near Salisbury. An account scribed by him, will be given later in

the Times. Ostensibly the above accounts for the a business point of view, I am glad the visit to Victoria of this important C. P. R. has got the contract from the party of railway officials. But there is British government for the Oriental something else. They came to Vicmails. It is the all-British route, And toria provided with a map of the prothe C. P. R. is a great company. We vince, showing every existing or procame from Liverpool to Quebec in the jected railway line. This was not a Empress of Britain, one of the best publication by anyone, but a specially renared man great thing for one company to take arrival last night they met an official charge of a passenger at Liverpool and of the provincial government who they carry him to Hongkong on its own plied for information of every kind, particularly regarding Vancouver Isl-And here, Samuel Fay, general man- and and Victoria. For visitors they most complete knowledge of the projected extensions of the Canadian Northern railway. An interview was

wheat harvest, and it showed how tre- It is strange that visitors, merely or mendous the Dominion is. All had read pleasure bent, should concern themselves so much with the Pacific pro-When we return it will be with much vince. There is evidently more in their visit than appears on the surface. "But Victoria is like England," inter- Such anxiety for complete knowledge posed Mr. Holmes, "none of us thought | points to an actual or projected finano find a climate like this in Canada. cial interest in a railway coming to We never dreamed of it. Directly we Vancouver Island, either on their own got out of the mountains we noticed behalf or as agents for British capital.

LABOR DAY SPORTS.

Programme Arranged For the Celebra- finish. tion in Vancouver City.

The arrangements for the celebration of Labor Day in Vancouver on Monday, September 3rd, are well advanced and a very pleasant time is promised, of the junior league, and medals From Victoria there is expected to be a very large number in attendance with special rates of \$2.50 for the round fare, good to go on September 2nd or 3rd and returning on the 4th.

the programme. One of these is a baby show for three prizes. The lacrosse match between Vancouver Centrals and Fairview is also a feature and gold medals are being struck for the winners. For the hose-coupling contest between firemen big prizes are being offered, the first being valued at \$25. Two bands have been secured, and will play in Recreation park in the afternoon. One band will also give an open-air concert in the evening, probably in front of the court house. day will wind up with a grand prize

Some novel numbers are included on

inal entrance fee will be charged. The Trades and Labor Council, of Vancouver is not desirous of making any money out of the celebration, but just to make expenses. The committee has decided to admit children free to the grounds and to the grand stand, parents or guardians, and ladies will be admitted to the grand stand free. The following is the programme of

sports for the day: 1 p. m.-Girls' race, 50 yards, under 10

Girls' race, 75 yards, under 15 years. Apprentices' race, 100 yards. Human wheelbarrow race, boys under

Quarter-mile relay race, union men nly, each man to run 110 yards.

to start with boots laced, run 25 vards. remove boots, place in barrel, continue to turning point, return, lace boots and

Hose-coupling contest, competitors run twenty-five yards, uncouple 250 feet hose, recouple hose and finish. Musicians' race, 50 yards and return, ontestants to play instruments, in tune while running.
3 p. m.—Lacrosse match, championship

One hundred yards, open.

Tobacco race, 50 yards and return,

Tobacco race, 50 yards and return, nion men only, competitors to light pipes with matches and finish with pipes

Union man's largest family. Baby show, best looking baby under two Tilting the bucket.

Tug-of-war, teams from unions. RECEIVED WARNING.

tend the Reception at Russian Premier's House.

Several Persons Advised Not to At-

London, Aug. 27.-Dispatches from further details concerning the attempt on the life of the Russian premier, M.

It is stated that the man who threw or dropped the bomb was named Morosoff, and that he was a native of Ryazan province. Among the killed At the Hillside school on King's road were nearly all the agents of the secret police in the house, including four women detectives.

Several persons were warned beforehand that an attempt on the life of considerable amount, and the building be the premier would be made. Mme. is not worth spending the money on. Davidoff, wife of the court chamberlain, who was killed, says that her years, getting worse all the time. I husband received a post card Friday

Another official named Piezensky received a similar warning. He feigned Men's race, 100 yards, open, competitors | illness and thus escaped.

CLEAN THE STREETS

Thoroughfares.

"Clean up the streets! should be a popular watchword," said the Mayon yesterday. "Though it is impossible to do much this year. I intend to take the streets committee on a tour of in- ENGINEERS AT WORK spection so that something can be done next year, at all events. It is a shame to see new cement sidewalks overgrown with grass. A city by-law should be passed making it someone's it should be done by corporation workmen, or property owners should be compelled to keep the street clean in front of their premises. Where there are no boulevards the grass should be destroyed: where boulevards exist the grass should be kept cut.

"In other cities neighborhood im provement clubs have been formed. This might be tried in Victoria with good success. Anyway, something the only matter I particularly refer to now, and that should be easily done away with. Piling up debris on vacant lots and throwing useless articles in the alley or street should be stopped. There has been a lot of this sort of thing done in the past, and I should like to see an united effort to remove all such unsightly objects."

WHITE HORSE MINES.

Capt John Irving Is Highly Pleased With Prospects in the North.

North, and is better pleased than ever with the showing of the copper mines at White Horse. The reported discovery of gold at Wheaton, Capt. Irving thinks, will turn out good. At Conrad the silver mines are turning out well, and the North is thus in a position to make a good reputation in gold, silver

In the White Horse district there is a shortage of miners, he says, and 50 or 60 good miners could find work. The Irving from starting some work which he had intended on properties held by

Bryon White, of Spokane, he reports, getting good ore out of the Puebla and the Carlyle, and already the dump will pay for the mines. Several of the nines at White Horse are about ready to begin shipping ore to the smelters

SERIOUS CONGESTION

IN THE CITY SCHOOLS

Pupils Housed in Unfit Rooms-Manual Fraining Branch Unsatisfactory-Large Attendance.

As stated in Monday's Times, after holidays extending from June 23rd, the public and high schools opened yesterday morning for the fall term. The attendance was larger than on any previous day, aggregating 2,670 pupils in all. These were distributed as fol-

High school-College class, 15; matriulation class, 29; junior grade, 61; preparatory, 67; commercial, 55; sub high, 73. Total, 300. Boys' Central-Sub high, 28; senior

grade, 163; intermediate grade, 63; junnior grade, 216. Total, 470. Girls' Central-Senior grade, 181: inmediate, 101; junior, 153. Total, 435 North Ward-Senior grade, 170; inermediate, 98; junior, 125. Total, 393. South Park-Senior grade, 188; internediate, 81: junior, 102. Total, 371. Victoria West-Senior grade, 61; in ermediate, 37; junior, 115. Total

Spring Ridge-Intermediate grade, 8; junior, 140. Total, 168. Kingston street-Junior grade, 135. Hillside-Junior grade, 118.

Rock Bay-Junior grade, 67. It must not be considered that this number includes what will be the full attendance for the term.

"The first day's attendance is neve a good index to that of the term," said Supt. F. H. Eaton this morning. "There are many children who will not return from camping until the beginning of September, when the school attendance generally runs from 100 to 200 ahead of that of August."

Asked as to the matter of accommodation, Mr. Eaton said: "If we eliminated the class rooms that are unfit for occupation the congestion would be very serious. Probably the worst instance is that of the building occupied by the domestic science and manual training branches, in the Central school grounds. At North Ward we are compelled to occupy two little purpose. classes. They are merely accidents of ventilation, lighting or shape are they well fitted for class rooms. There is

"At Victoria West conditions are housed there for years in a mission building which is not only an inconof the other class rooms are comfortment, but some of these have a large and a small room which are inconveni-The large rooms are good, but

complement of scholars. "To provide for part of the new sub a temporary partition in the assembly objectionable thing to do. The hall is should not be occupied in this manner. things are also unsatisfactory. The plumbing inspector has made a demand on the trustees that they co. nect with the sewer. This will cost a

"There has been conjestion for many saying: "Do not go where you intend than last year, but the early part of next month will tell."

Wasps rank next to ants in point of

Mayor Morley Speaks Out Regarding That S HI III

LOCATING TERMINALS

duty to look after this matter. Either E. G. Russell Says Harbor is an Excellent One and Site Will Be

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Nothing is to be done haphazard in nnection with the plans for the city nust be done to improve the condi- of Prince Rupert. On the contrary, tion of the streets here. Untidiness is everything points to a model city. The Grand Trunk Pacific is profiting by the experience of other places, and will lay out a terminal townsite which will be well adapted for the purposes in view, and as a place of residence. The immediate needs of the city are not being considered alone, but provision will be made for future extension and everything possible will be done to guard against difficulties which have om time to time developed in other cities as the population increased.

Too far removed from Victoria to come a rival of this city the new port of Prince Rupert when active building operations begin there should give a decided impetus to trade. It is acknowledged that with work commencing there the coasting trade will at once be very materially increased. Prince Rupert it is acknowledged will be the outlet for the trade of northern British Columbia and to a considerable extent of the northern

prairies. The widely extended system of the scarcity of labor prevented Captain Grand Trunk railway in Eastern Canada and the United States will immediately upon the completion of the link nnecting that system with the Pacific, the Grand Trunk Pacific now under construction, push the terminal point on this coast at once into prominence mong the ports of the world.

> There can be no question that the officials and the engineers of the Grand Trunk Pacific had all this in view when they made the selection on Kaien Island. It was only after an inspec tion of all the points along the northern coast that the site of the future Prince Rupert was made the choice for terminal facilities for the company and the port through which will pass the vast trade between the many centres controlled by the Grand Trunk and its connections and the Orient. E. G. Russell, of the Grand Trunk Pacific, has just returned from the north where he inspected the work now under way at the site of Prince Rupert. An interview with him confirms the opinion that the company is taking every precaution to provide a model city in the north. Mr. Russell says there is but one opinion regarding the harbor at Prince Rupert. It is ommodious and the approaches to it are absolutely safe. The harbor, Mr. Russell says, has accommodation for all the shipping which will ever centre there, and is ample for a city of any size and with any railway connections.

> C. B. Dodge, the Dominion government surveyor, who has had charge of proved a very capable official. A large part of the harbor has been gone over by him and charted. Wherever rocks have been found they have been buoyed or buoys are being placed in position,

There is a very clear entrance also was the cause of the damage to the Camosun, will not interfere in the least with navigation. The water all about the rock is deep, and with a buoy placed on it mariners have no need to fear, and the harbor is perfectly safe all steamers with wide channels leading in.

At the townsite a substantial wharf has been built, and all the steamers on the northern run have now every accommodation afforded them for landing freight and passengers.

With about fifty employees of the Grand Trunk Pacific on the ground in addition to the Dominion government's hydrographic survey party the trade is growing to quite an extent. Mr. Russell is now endeavoring to have a post office established at Prince Rupert for the accommodation of those making their headquarters at the site of the new city. There is a very considerable amount of mail matter constantly going there, and it is advisable to have a post office opened. The Grand Trunk Pacific will provide a building for the

Nothing has yet been done towards laying out a townsite, but the enginarchitecture and were fitted up for the eers are making necessary observations to ascertain the best possible position for the terminals of the railway. That done the question of the Thursday morning, when he arose. The

also unsatisfactory. One class has been surveyors are running lines from the the sight of his tormentor lying helpwaterfront back to the rather sharp less in bed drove him to frenyz, and rise in the land, which occurs at a dis- he threw himself on Dow with his open venient but an expensive method. Most tance varying from half a mile to two pocket knife, and before the latter was miles from the coast line. These lines thoroughly awake had inflicted nine able. This is also true of the little will be run 1,000 feet apart and these stabs and gashes. Three of the stabs schools taken over from the govern- parallels will extend for a distance of are in the arm, one in the hand, and about four miles along the shore. no less than five on the head, one near the small ones will not take a full front, and about 200 feet apart. The wounds on Dow, the would-be murderinteresting points will afford a point er, fled to the hills. for making observations as to the

mountain in the rear. made for laying out the city.

Mr. Russell says that the site proin height throughout the area which him to halt, sites. According to the present indi- trial.

cations the terminals will be removed a little from the main part of the townsite, the latter accupying slightly higher ground.

The engineers have taken the precaution to investigate the water supoly, and have found a source of excellent water sufficient to meet the needs of any city.

As previously mentioned in the Time the survey of the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Prince Rupert eastward is progressing satisfactorily. Engineer Moore has run the line from the site of Prince Rupert to Aberdeen in the vicinity of which his party is now working. Engineer Mitchell starting from Kitsilas canyon on the Skeena is proceeding towards the coast to meet Mr. Moore's party. No difficulties have been encountered so far.

There is every reason to believe that Prince Rupert will soon have, tele-graphic connection. The first afforded will be by wireless from Banfield creek with an intermediate station at Cape Caution. These are being put in under the sanction of the marine and fisheries department. It is expected later that connection may be made with the Dominion government telegraph line

at Aberdeen. Mr. Russell says that the engineers upon the absence of fog at Prince Rupert as compared with other points in that vicinity. At the mouth of the Skeena these fogs are quite prevalent at certain seasons of the year. At the ed States schooners from poaching. harbor of Prince Rupert they are generally absent.

Mr. Russell was asked relative to the Indian reserve question at the townsite of Prince Rupert and with the settlement of which his name has been from time to time associated. It was in fact believed that the trip he has just made was in part at least connected with the proposition to purchase the lands necessary to the company from the Indians. As in the past Mr. Russell was uncommunicative on this point, but it is learned from other sources and while not confirmed by Mr. Russel! is not denied by him that the question has been settled. If this is so the Grand Trunk Pacific are to be congratulated upon settling a question which Victorians can appreciate by experience as a wise course to take before the laying of the foundations of the city. Had the same been done in the case of Victoria one of the most vexed questions occupying the attention of the authorities would have been

THE TWICKENHAM HAS BEEN TOWED TO PORT

Vessel Was Successfully Floated Last Evening-Will Enter Dock for Repairs.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) To-day the steamer Twickenham which stranded on the rocks near Friday harbor, San Juan Island, on Thursday night, is in Esquimalt with the Salvor alongside pumping water out of her hold. She is in a position convenient to the dry dock once the necessary arrangements can be made for her accommodation. The vessel was floated at 6.45 last evening, an hour or so before high water. She had been lightened of a large portion of her cargo and with the assistance of the Salvor and tug Tacoma and the use of her own being engaged in prospecting do some the work of surveying the harbor, has power the ship was hauled free of the rocks to the delight of all aboard and and it was found after the ship was to the harbor. Newcomb Rock, which floated and started for Victoria that look out, and have came to fear the one was all that was needed to keep | Canadian patrol schooner. her head up. She was towed to port by the Tacoma and Salvor. Consider able of the cargo that came in contact with the water has been damaged but the bulk of it is in good condition. The damage which the bull of the

ship sustained will not be fully known until the vessel has been placed on the chocks. Many of the rivets have been started, but it is believed that very few serious than now supposed.

ATTEMPTED MURDER. William McLaren Stabbed His Tormentor Woth a Pocket Knife.

"A stabbing affair took place on Thursday morning at the section house about three miles east of Ashcroft,' says Saturday's Ashcroft Journal. "It appears that the man who did the stabbing. Wm. McLaren by name, is a simple sort of a fellow, and it had been the practice of Albert Dow, the foreman, to make him the subject of all kinds of practical jokes. This had been going on for some time and Mc-Laren had brooded over them until also the difficulty regarding proper townsite will be made to conform to knowledge that perhaps that day was to pass as the previous ones had full In connection with this work the of humilation and misery for him, and

"The news of the attempted murder St. Petersburg this morning furnish high school class, which will be in height above sea level. When this is was brought to town by the section three branches, we have had to put up all accomplished a working plan will men and Policeman Burr left immedibe available giving the general char- ately, accompanied by Dr. Samson, for hall of the high school. This is a most acter of the whole area for about four the scene of the rash act. Dow had miles along the water front and from lost considerable blood, and the section required for the purposes intended, and the harbor waters to the protecting house looked like a slaughter pen. The doctor, however, found that while the With all this before them the ques- wounds were nasty ones and likely to tion of terminals will be easily settled. be very painful, none of them were Moreover, the general plans for the very serious, so he bandaged him up townsite will be agreed upon from this and brought him to town, where he is map and active preparations can then doing very well, being able to get

around "The direction of McLaren had gone mises to be a very picturesque one. was pointed out to Constable Burr, The land is not monotonously level. who immediately started in pursuit. do not know that it will be much worse There are elevations upwards of 50 feet soon overtaking him and compelling handcuffed him and will form the city. This gives ample brought him back to town, where he opportunity for drainage, and at the appeared on Thursday before Francis state capital, whose dome he circled killed, its stregnth after receiving same time affords very pretty building Webb, J. P., who committed him for twice, and returned. The ship was un- fatal wound only sufficing to carr

THE KESTRAL HAS

A CAREFUL WATCH IS KEPT ON POACHERS

Patrol of British Columbia Coast Calls Unceasing Vigilance on Part of Steamer.

Capt, Newcomb, of the Dominion fishery steamer Kestral, which has just returned from a patrol of the coast, has a difficult task assigned to him. To guard the coast of British Columbia from Alaska to the southern end of Vancouver Island from poachers from the United States is rather a large undertaking, and it cannot be and marine men have all remarked expected that he can prevent all violations of the law. There is no question, however, that the stealthy guard which Capt. Newcomb maintains over the coast line deters many of the Unit-

The Kestral took W. P. Stewart, chief hydrographic surveyor Dominion government, to Prince Rupert harbor to inspect the work now being carried on by C. B. Dodge at that point.

From there the fishery patrol steamer proceeded along the coast from Port Simpson to Victoria. On the trip no less than four suspected poachers were driven out of the three-mile limit. In each case there was no evidence to convict the suspected schooners. Capt. Newcomb had no doubt in his mind what they were doing in the prohibited waters, but they were not actually fishing and nothing could

Off Vancouver Island two schooners were found inside the limit and were promptly ordered by Capt. Newcomb to leave. This they did.

Another instance of what is encount ered by the Kestral in her work was related by Capt. Newcomb. Off the west coast of Vancouver Island, on the way down on this trip, the fog suddenly lifted and seven American schooners were in sight. These were operating close to the three-mile limit in fact some were undoubtedly inside that line. But the captains of the schooners are ever alert also, and none could be caught in the act of taking fish. Nothing could then be done. As usual the schooners inside the limit quickly took the precaution to get

Three years ago when the Kestral first went into service there were 13 schooners operating out of Seattle and Puget Sound off the west coast of Vancouver Island. These have increased in a remarkable manner, the following year there were 23 in that trade. Now there are 40 of them. Many of these have power and make high speed, thus being better able to

evade the patrol steamer. In the northern waters there are imilar conditions. Off Queen Charlotte Islands is another rendezvous for fishing vessels, and a third centre is located off Port Simpson. In these latter waters United States schooners put out from Ketchikan and other Alaskan ports, and under the guise of

poaching in Canadian waters. To guard all this coast is a trying the members of the different crews one on the part of the Kestral, but about. On Sunday night two ten-inch under the circumstances it would be lutely prevent some move the water from the forward hold poaching. By the vigilance shown on while the cargo was being discharged, the part of the Kestral the American schooners are obliged to keep a sharp

> SMELTERS OF BOUNDARY. British Columbia Copper Company's

> > Plant Is Nearing Completion.

Some time during the first week in Sepember J. E. McAllister, manager of the British Columbia Copper Co., Ltd., exof the plates have been broken. It pects to blow in the first of the three performance at grand stand. may be found, however, upon closer ex- mammoth new furnaces at the comamination that her injuries are more | pany's enlarged Greenwood smelter-to thereafter. The first furnace is now in stalled, the second is on the ground and being set up, while the third is now en route from the makers in Milwaukee When completed and in running order the smelter will have a capacity of from 1,800 to 2,000 tons of ore daily, and it is expecting; 1.30, parade of prize wint ed that the works will be able to turn out about 1,500,000 pounds of blister copper every 30 days. All the other work in con nection with the smelter enlargement is being crowded as fast as possible by a large force of workmen, and the co pany's Mother Lode and other mines are eing prepared for a largely increased daily ore output to keep pace with the equirements at the reduction works.
Superintendent A. B. W. Hodges, of the Granby Consolidated, visited the of the company last week. He states that the work of enlarging the balance of the battery of eight furnaces at the co on steadily, two of the original small furnaces having already been treated in this way, the rest taking their turn, till are of the larger size, like Nos. 7 and 8, installed a year ago. On account of the burning down of the Grand Forks iron ing the needed castings, though fortun ately all the valuable patterns owned by the Granby and other Boundary smelters were saved. When enlargements are fin-Crossing them at right angles will be other lines paralled with the waterto be able to handle from 90,000 to 100,000 tons of ore monthly, even when one of the eight furnaces happens to be under repairs. Mr. Hodges stated that from this on three shifts will be utilized in sinking of the new Victoria shaft by the Granby company at Phoenix, this being intended to be the main working shaft of the group, and from which a great part of the ore from these extensive properties will be shipped. Mr. Hodges to have the shaft completed to the 400-foot level by early winter, and before the severe weather arrives. Some of the chinery for the 250 h. p. hoisting engines and for the 150-ton per hour crusher, is

> successful flight of six miles in an air while the third sprang away ship at Desmoines, Ia., the juorney be- bush. It was not until next day ing from the state fair grounds to the he discovered that it, too, had der perfect control.

toria shaft are now being erected.

ATTRACTIONS FOR THE ANNUAL FAIR

MANY AMUSEMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

Entertainments on Tapis for Every Afternoon and Evening of the Forthcoming : Exhibition.

Preparations for the annual fall fair are proceeding apace. Already the gramme of attractions has been tically completed by the execut the British Columbia Agricultural sociation. Every afternoon and ing has been provided for so that who wish may visit the grounds day, and on each occasion be t to some new form of entertain

Referring to the attractions, stated that the majority of the important will take place with space directly froating the stand, thus allowing all spectator opportunity to see what is going conveniently and in comfort. B the bronco busting exhibitions, of the features will be the Kinsers, head balancers and brists. The team is Kinser and his wife, and the promises in his announcements ance on his head "anything fr ordinary garden flower to a everyday driving buggy." will be the "Flying Zeraldas," gymnasts; the marvellous Cates ity, a quartette of musicians; a of twenty Siberian spitz dogs, be exceptionally well trained; Biff Bang, knockabout comedians, and but not least, "The Twister Twisters.

In addition to these there have many applications for side These include one for Maude, the ing mule, the novelty and shoo gallery, Ferris wheel, riding galle two-headed woman: Bosco, the eater, and others with equally striking cogomens.

Of course the piece de resista the fair from the standpoint of at tion will be the horse races which to take place on the last three Thursday, Friday and Satrday. purses have been offered, the being put in first class condition everything possible is being do satisfy the competitors. Of the there are sure to be a large as horses participating in the Vi exhibition may leave here and a tour of British Columbia, taking in a lengthy series of autumn Besides the inducements offered well worth while, and, again, the ticipants are sure of receiving treatment from the officials place

charge by the local managemen The possibility of a lacrosse tou ment being arranged to take during the show was mentioned these columns yesterday. The pres tation of the Kilmarnock cup has i it necessary for the Mainland teams ome to Victoria for the purpose deciding the championship of Br Columbia, and which twelve shall the coveted trophy. An effort is made to have the series contest connection with the exhibition. matter is now before the executive providing a mutually satisfactor derstanding can be reached i ence to grounds and finances nessing some exceedingly fine tions of the Canadian national g The programme for the fair

subject to alteration, has been ou Tuesday, September 25th-Opening 10 a. m.-Judging; 2 p. m., granding and band concert; 8 p. m., ban cert, vocal concert in main hall. gramme in front of grand stand

Wednesday, 26th. 10 a. m.-Judging; 2 p. m., gr parade; 2.30, band concert; 3 p ing events in broncho busting tion; 8 p. m., band and vocal con

Thursday, 27th, Citizens' Da 1.30-Stock parade; 2.30, horse ra band concert; 3 p. m., broncho 3.30, demonstration in commer Friday, 28th, Children's D 10 a. m .- Demonstration in fr

horse races and band concert; broncho busting; 3.30, judgin largest family competition; 8 o'c of-war, band and vocal concerts Saturday, 29th. 1.30-Band and vocal concerts: final events in broncho busting; 2 horse races; 8 o'clock, tug-of-way

and vocal concerts. SHOT THREE PANTHE

Rancher's Narrow Escape Watching For Marauding I

"Were it not for his stead presence of mind and trusty rancher who lives just above F ley, would not be in the land "It appears that Captain Fra the steamer Kootenay, who ranch on the Arrow lake ne Anders' place, had been troubled unwelcome visits of a couple which frequently came under

night and did considerable dan the fauit trees. Captain Fraser ed the assistance of Mr. Ander the latter set out in the evening his rifle determined to put an his neighbor's trouble "Lying behind a log, intently

deer, Mr. Anders was attracted noise behind him and, turning hi found his blood run cold as he a glimpse of three panthers, cr within twenty feet, and app already on the ground and the needful ready to spring. As quick as a buildings for the head-works for the Vic- Mr. Anders threw his magazine to his shoulder, pulled the thrice, and had the satisfaction Chas. K. Hamilton Tuesday made a ing two of the brutes roll over

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(From Tuesda His Worship spran prise last night at ing of the city counc ly the case it was o subject of water. council instructed city enginee foreman "to report the most feasible pla increased supply of lake temporarily, th period not exceedin This report was right, but, in addit other in reply to ce the Mayor, answere cials, and also two ter from Arthur I land expert, who ad matter was adjour meeting on Thursd present indications

lively times. One of the alderme would ask if His city officals' report questions; and, if questions dealing w outside the scope council. After the there was some hea why Mr. Adams wa opinions without a council. Someone who ordered these o going to pay for the All the reports,

As Requested at La From the C

REPORT TO

His Worship the Ma Aldermen. Dear Sirs,-We receipt of the fo "Resolved that the er, Mr. Jas. L. Rayr neer, Mr. C. H. Top works foreman, Mr requested to report the most feasible p

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If it is the intent to provide only a tertide over the presen nermanent works t would advise the in on the lake and o and the erection of supply the high leve operated only as o as to minimize the emporary relief is the utilizing for al lion gallons of war capable of sup recommend the lay main, and the inst d tank for th carrying out of Mr. dations as mention large pipe would be ture, and would gir protection in the t. In either case i to have the shores and a gravel dam and Beaver lakes; water to pass freel but would at the the accumulation in Beaver lake fro lake: this latter v laying of a pipe fr lessen the work of do away with the ent noticeable in t

> so as to protect the the rays of the sur The water com cated with Mr. Ada has been delayed him on the subject that his opinion is sumption that Ell abandoned after the years. He recomm the Smith's Hill res ed immediately, and plied from that sou We also enclose Adams, on the res wood stave and st larger main is laid

water basin shoul

Wate THOS. P THE MAYOR'S Answered By City the Report t

To His Worship the Dear Sir,-We be receipt of your c bodying three que water supply of th which we beg to a 1. Do you advise of the use of the gallons of water from Elk lake, at any circumstances of the unanimous be unwise to aba gallons of water pe is capable of supply onditions. 2. If Elk lake

what do you consid of increasing the vater from Elk la adding thereto from to the full extent city, we would adv