The Estimates for the Current Year's Expenditure Considered and Passed.

New School for Oaklands and an Addition to the Victoria West Building.

At the School Board meeting Wednesday, with Charles Hayward in the chair, and Messrs, Saunders, Lovell, Bishop, Yates and Marchant present, Mr. B. Williams was unanimously re-elected secretary, with a monthly salary of \$35.

Saniger Bros. wrote offering to tugpoint the brick of the North Ward school for 28 cents a yard. Referred to the architect to

A petition was read from 35 ratepayers of the Oakland estate, asking for a school in some central part of the settlement, in which there were 40 children of school age. TRUSTER MARCHANT moved that an

amount be placed on the estimates for the purchase of a site, and to build and equip a one-room school. Considering that the present schools were congested a new school was necessary.

TRUSTEE BISHOP warmly supported the motion.

Messrs. W. Nicholas, A. Olsen, N. Sabin (Present: Sir Ma'thew B Begbie, C.J., Drake and McCreight, J.J.) and W. Clark, a deputation from the petitioners being present, spoke in favor of the petition, and after some discussion the

the large number of absentees reported, and moved that the attention of the secretary of the institute be called to the fact. When the schools were closed earlier on the days when the institute met, teachers should at-

tend the meetings.
TRUSTEE YATES thought the matter might be looked into. He moved in amendment that the matter be referred to Trustee Mar-chant to investigate. The amendment was

Applications for various supplies for schools were referred to the Supply committee, as also a case where the supply of books to a pupil was recommended.

In regard to the boiler which the cor

tractors wanted to put in the North ward school, a report was read from Boiler In-

according to specifications, and he had therefore refused to receive it.

After some discussion
THE CHAIRMAN remarked that the boiler

ment, seconded by Trustee Saunders, to refer the matter back to the committee.

The committee on the Nicholson correspondence reported as follows: Your committee charged with this affair having carefully examined the school law of this Province, the evident purpose of the regulations set down by the Council of Public reply received by the chairman of the board from Mr. Nicholson, report and recommend as follows: 1. That Principal Nicholson is correct in his assertion that the programme adopted in Victoria West is in accord with the regulations of the Council of Public Instruction. 2. That it is evident that two of the four subjects declared optional in the regulations of the declared optional in the regulations of the Council of Public Instruction are subjects dated 22nd instant, extending for two days that may be taught with better results to the time (seven days) limited by an order of that may be taught with better results to the sime (seven days) limited by an order of the pupils in the high school, and which subjects the department recommends be not the 15th instant, for the plaintiffs to taught in graded schools of cities give security for the costs of their action, where a high school is located. 3. That it is further evident, from the published limit should be dismissed. The defendants had tables of the Central graded schools, and between them. It is therefore recommen ed that notification of this diversity be immediately sent to Principals, Miss Williams, Messrs. Netherby and Nicholson, request-ing them to meet at an early date and de-finitely fix limit tables that shall be used in each of the schools of the city, Principal Netherby to be the convener of such meet-Netherby to be the convener of such meeting. In case of any disagreement concerning such tables, that Dr. Pope be requested to settle any question in dispute. Your committee feel the exceeding importance of this recommendation in the view of the speedy opening of the new Graded schools of this city. 4. That the written examinations taken by corresponding divivisions in each of our schools should be benefited and the content of the conten

J. B. LOVELL, W. MARCHANT, Committee.

men or ladies, and it was not fair to make a TRUSTEE BISHOP supported this, but Trustee Marchant dissented, holding it was unjust to pay female teachers as much as males, as the school act allowed females to teach at the age of 16, while males were not allowed to teach for two years more. It was reasonable, therefore, to suppose that the males, by two years more study, were better prepared.

better prepared.
TRUSTEE YATES' motion was lost. TRUSTEE YATES' motion was lost.
TRUSTEE MARCHANT moved that Trustees
Lovell and Bishop be a committee to define
school districts for the city. Carried.

The estimates were next taken up disposed of as follows: ORDINARY EXPENDITURE.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE. Oakland School (building site and furnishing Vest Side School (addition)

Total.... \$3,700 After authorizing the putting of a telephene in the Secretary's office the Board went into committee of the whole with closed doors.

FULL COURT.

Jackson v. Jackson & Mylius-This was petitioners being present, spoke in favor of the petition, and after some discussion the motion was carried.

Mr. Hawkey wrote that on several oceasions the fence around the Spring Ridge school had been maliciously damaged, and on motion of Trustee Lovell it was resolved to bring the matter to the attention of the olice. was a partner. The defence in the action A report of the attendance of teachers at was that Mrs. Celia Mylius was not a part-A report of the attendance of teachers at the Teachers' institute was received from ner, and until the case reached the appellate court the point was not raised that the Trustee Marchant took exception to statement of defence did not make a specific denial of the non-existence of the alleged partnership or of any other partnership. Judgment was given against the defendant Celia Mylius at the trial for the full amount

claimed and costs.

Mr. F. B. Gregory (Belyea & Gregory)
moved to have the judgment reversed or
varied, and judgment entered for the defendant, Celia Mylius. He relied on the evidence to establish no proof of partnership.

dence to establish no proof of partnership, either by deed or by holding out.

Mr. Helmoken, who appeared for the respondent (plaintiff) contended that the denial of the partnership in the pleadings was evasive and not specific, and argued that he was entitled to judgment on the pleadings. This view of the case was reschool, a report was read from Boiler Inspector Thomson saying that it was quite capable for the purpose.

Mr. Soule, the architect, however, wrote that he considered that the boiler was not usual pleadings in such cases.

Mr. Gregory then asked on what terms he would be allowed to amend the statement of defence, so as to more specifically deny the partnership in accordance with the views of the majority of the bench.

Mr. Gregory and time to consider this, and the court adjourned for luncheon. After The amendment was lost, and Trustee luncheon Mr. Gregory announced that he Yates' motion carried by three to two, would respectfully decline to accept either found for the Indians, and the city of Victoria, and Messrs. Marchant and Saunders to any arrangement whatever short of what reserve, the citizens would lay saide a sum luncheon Mr. Gregory announced that he would respectfully decline to accept either found for the Indians, and the city of Viche had asked for in the appeal. The court declined to hear him on the questions of law Hon. Mr. Beaven said there is no doubt declined to hear him on the questions of law involved, holding that judgment should go to the plaintiff on the pleadings for the \$5,270, and judgment was entered accordingly, Mr. Justice Drake dissenting and stating that he thought the judgment should be set aside entirely. Mr. Gregory then asked for a written in living at some other place.

HON. MR. BEAVEN said there is no doubt that if the Dominion government provide another site Victoria will cheerfully grant the land. He did not think it would be of particular benefit to the city if the land were expropriated for railway purposes. He letter sent to Mr. Nicholson, and the verbal reply received by the chairman of the board from Mr. Nicholson, report and board from Mr. Nicholson, report and the independent of the Full court to the land were expropriated for railway purposes. He asked for a written judgment from the day ocated that the city should lease it for long terms to persons who would improve the statements made in the land were expropriated for railway purposes. He asked for a written judgment from the court, in order that he might appeal from long terms to persons who would improve the court of the statements made in the land were expropriated for railway purposes. He asked for a written judgment from the court, in order that he might appeal from long terms to persons who would improve the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court, in order that he might appeal from long terms to persons who would improve the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court, in order that he might appeal from long terms to persons who would improve the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court, in order that he might appeal from long terms to persons who would improve the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statements asked for a written judgment from the court of the statement from the court of t the judgment of the Full court to the Supreme court of Canada.

DIVISIONAL COURT. (Before Sir M. B. Begbie, C.J., McCreight and Drake, J.J.)

Foot vs. Mason.—This was an appeal from order, but that motion had been refused.

The plaintiffs did not give the security within the extended time.

The grounds of appeal were :

1. That there is no jurisdiction to vary by an ex parte order the terms of an order made

upon summons after hearing the parties.

2. That the order of Mr. Justice Creat made no provision for dismissing the action on default of the security being given with in the extended time. W. J. Taylor for the defendant appellant; J. P. Walls for

the plaintiffs, respondents.

The Court expressed an opinion that the exparte order was irregular, and that the plaintiffs were out of time.

Mr. Walls, for the respondents, submitted that the Court had jurisdiction now to absolutely identical and uniform; the principals of the schools co-operating in the precipals of the papers.

(Signed) C. HAYWARD, Chairman.

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J. B. LOVELL,
W. MARCHANT,
Report received and the suggestions or dered carried out.

The school attendance for December was reported as follows: Average daily attendance, 1,593.72; average sctual attendance, 1,575.05; total pupils attending, 1,807.

TRUSTEE LOVELL moved that the weight of all coal supplied to the Board be certified by the market clerk. This was carried.

A number of bills were referred to the Finance committee to be paid if found correct, and several applications for positions as teachers and from would-be janitors were laid on the table.

TRUSTEE YATES would like to see pupils at the schools thoroughly instructed on temperance, and the injury brought about by the use of narcotics. He moved that the section in the act providing for this be brought to the attention of the principals of the schools. Carried.

TRUSTEE MARCHANT moved that in view of the new school being erected in South ward, the proper authorities be moved to have the powder magazine and powder removed from Beacon Hill. Cerried.

TRUSTEE YATES moved that all the salaries of lady teachers reduced last August be restored. The salaries of the different positions should be the same, whether filled by

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE. Fourth Session of the Sixth Parlia

NINTH DAY WEDNESDAY, January 31, 1894. The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. J. M. Douglas.

PETITIONS.

MR. CROFT presented a petition from C. T. Dupont and others respecting a railway from Kaslo.

MR. Horne presented a petition from A.

MR. HORNE presented a petition from A. Maclean and others asking that a certain contract with the municipality of Richmond be declared good and valid.

The petition of the Hall Mines Company respecting a railway to the mines was read and received.

REBATE ON TIMBER ROYALTIES. MR. FORSTER moved for copies of all orders in council authorizing the allowance of a drawback or rebate on royalties on any piles, spars, or timber, with the amount of the same allowed, and the name of the company or person to whom the rebate has been granted.

Motion agreed to. MR. FORSTER moved for copies of all

EASEMENT OF LIGHT ACT. Hon. Mr. Davie moved for leave to introduce a bill intituled "An act to abolish the right to access and use of light by pre-

Bill introduced and read a first time second reading to morrow. THE INDIAN RESERVE

Dr. Milne moved that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor requesting him to cause to be sent down to the house copies of all correspondence between the govern-ment of this province and the gov-ernment of the Dominion relative to the Songhees Indian reserve, or better known as the Indian reserve, situated within the corporation limits of the city of within the corporation limits of the city of Victoria. The mover pointed out that the city of Victoria had extended so that the Indian reserve was now in the centre of it. As the land had acquired a great value solely by reason of the city's growth, it was only fair that the municipality should receive the advantage of this, if the Indians were removed; and he hoped that if the province could secure possession of the land province could secure possession of the land it would be transferred to the city on terms

advantageous to both.

HON. MR. DAVIE said that unfortunately what was desired cannot be obtained by merely writing a letter. Negotiations with the object of the acquirement of the reserve for other uses had been going on for a long deny the partnership in accordance with the contractors were willing to make the reduction. Besides, the boiler was made in Victoria, whereas the specified one would have to be got from the East. He read a letter from the contractors, Elford & Smith, affering to make the difference in the reduction of cost, and if the boiler were not satisfactory, to remove it at their own expense.

TRUSTEE YATES moved that the contract must be adhered to.

TRUSTEE MARCHANT moved in amendment, seconded by Trustee Saunders, to refer the matter back to the committee.

The amendment was lost and Trustee Careers are an accordance with the views of the bench.

The court after discussion decided to give the appellant a choice of two alternatives:

(1) That the judgment should be set aside and a new trial ordered, the appellant to pay the respondent's costs of the appeal, and to be allowed to amend the pleadings as advised, costs of the lower court to abide the event, or (2) to have the present judgment to pay his own costs of the appeal, it being apparent from the contract must be adhered to.

TRUSTEE MARCHANT moved in amendment, seconded by Trustee Saunders, to refer the matter back to the committee.

Mr. Gregory and time, but little progress had been made as time, but little progress had been made to the wisws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated to minion and provincial governments those of the ladient to pay the matter is a complicated to me from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated one from the visws of the appellant to pay the matter is a complicated to fit and the matter is a complicated to give the vest as idea and the matter is a complic MR. GRANT supported the resolution : he

Motion agreed to.

GAME PROTECTION ACT. MR. MARTIN moved for leave to introduce a bill intituled "An act to amend the game protection act (1892) amendment act, 1893." Bill read a first time; second reading Monday.

MONEY IN ARREAR. MR. SWORD moved "That an order of the douse be granted for a return showing the sums, if any, due and unpaid on land sold in the various districts at the close of the

inancial year, 30th June, 1893." Hon. MR. DAVIE suggested that the return should be up to date.

Motion so amended and agreed to.

Mr. Sword moved "That an order of the house be granted for a return show-ing the amount, if any, of land registry fees due and unpaid at the 30th June, 1893; the names of th se in arrears, with the respec tive amounts and the years in which such rrears accraed.

MR. CROFT suggested that the return pover until the 31st of December. Motion so amended and agree to.

NAKUSP AND SLOCAN RAILWAY. Mr. SEMLIN moved "That a respectful adress be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, asking His Honor to be pleased to cause to be sent down to this house copies of all orders-in council, contracts, tenders and correspondence between the government or any member thereof and the ontractor for the construction of the Nakusp & Slocan railway.'

Hon. Mr. Davie said there appeared be no necessity for this motion, as it was stated in the speech from the throne that these papers would be laid before the house; there was, however, no reason why it should

Motion agreed to.

REPORTS PRESENTED.

Hon. Col. Baker presented the twenty econd annual report of the public schools manual of school laws and school regula tions; and a statement of bonds given by oublic officers.

THE SCHOOL FRANCHISES. Hon. Mr. Beaven inquired if it is the intention of the government to so amend the act relating to the election of school trustees as to do away with the absurd pro-vision that the school tax for the current

year must be paid to entitle a man to vote. If not, he would move in the matter himself. If not, he would move in the matter himself.

How. Mr. Davie said this "absurd provision," as Mr. Beaven termed it, appeared to be on the lines of the amendment made to the Municipal act last year at that hon, gentleman's request, making the taxes due two or three months earlief than they had previously beer. He was not personally responsible for the provision though he had voted for it in the belief that it was of the same character as the other changes respecting

jected to the provision when it was before the Committee of the Whole, but he could not get the Minister of Education to agree with him. Referring to the Attorney General's remarks on the subject of making General's remerks on the subject of making municipal taxes payable at an earlier date, his (Mr. Beaven's) amendment was to make the time up to which the rebate applied, the 31st of October, instead of the 1st of modified.

Mr. Horne—On Monday: To ask leave to introduce a bill intituled "An act respecting preference of wages and salaries in case of assignments for benefit of creditors."

Mr. Horne—On Friday: That an order December, which was only one month.

Hon. Mr. Davie—You wanted to make

Hon. Mr. Braven said this was not the And the state of the state of the period of the property, the date of sale and the period of the property, the date of the property, the date of sale and the period of the property, the date of sale and the amounts realized for each parcel.

MR. HORNE—Un Friday: That an order of the house be granted for a return of all lands sold for taxes under the assessment act, 1888, to the present date, showing the description of the property, the date of sale and the amounts realized for each parcel.

MR. GRANT—On Friday: That an order of the property is the present date, showing the description of the property, the date of sale and the amounts realized for each parcel.

ing up the records, that this portion was not in the bill originally, but had been introduced in committee. His impression had been that it was by the leader of the opposition himself. (Laughter.) COAL MINES REGULATION.

MR. KEITH asked: 1. Is the amendment to the coal mines regulation act of 1890 constitutional, or in other words, is said act workable? 2. And if said act is "constitutional," is it the intention of the Government to enforce it?

Hon. Mr. Davie replied that since this question had been put on the order paper an opinion on the subject had been given by Mr. Speaker, which he noticed was to be made the subject of an appeal to the house. He believed the present question to be out of order, but would not go into the matter came up.
THE SPEAKER announced having received

the appointment of a committee to inquire into the charges made against the manage which no one in the backwoods of any ment of the Gauvreau expedition. As the

MR BOOTH expressed the hope that the committee would not go further than the

reporting to the house, as there was likely be considerable expense involved. Motion agreed to.

PARTNERSHIP BILL. Hon. Mr. Davie moved the adoption of

the report from committee on the partner-ship bill. MR. SWORD requested that the matter night be allowed to lie over, as he had just given notice of some amendments He also uestioned the desirability of providing for the compulsory registration of existing

partnerships.

Motion withdrawn. WITNESSES AND EVIDENCE BILL. The house again went into committee or

the witnesses and evidence bill, Mr. Keith in the chair. Bill reported from committee.

SUPREME COURT BILL. The house went into committee on the Supreme court bill, Mr. Stoddart in the

Hon. Mr. Davie moved a

amendments to the bill, which originally created Nanaimo a separate judicial district,

this had been introduced with the object of carrying out the provisions of the acts al-ready passed in the house, which it had been found did not give enough power to members of the board. The bill is a very important one, as fruit growing is largely on the increase in the province, and the prevention of the spread of insect pests introduced from other places had become a necessity. One pest in particular to which a great deal of attention is now being paid is great deal of attention is now being paid is the woolly aphis, which a few years ago put in its appearance in British Columbia. The bill passed its second reading and was committed; the committee rose report-

ing progress.

MR. ERERTS presented petitions on behalf of the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company, and also on behalf of the Horsefly Hydraulic

Mining Co.

The house adjourned at 4:45 p.m. NOTICES OF MOTION.

the payment of taxes. When he came to find out afterwards what it really provided; he was sorry that it had been allowed to pass.

Hon. Col. Baker said if is the intention to amend the sot in the direction suggested. As Mr. Beaven had himself voted for the provision complained of it did not come very well from that gentleman now to call it absurd.

Hon. Mr. Beaven replied that he objected to the provision when it was before province: Therefore be it resolved, that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor requesting that strong representations be made to the Dominion government to have the duty on rubber goods, agricultural implements, and machinery, mining machinery and other goods not manufactured in this province modified.

Motion agreed to.

SALVATION ARMY MARRIAGES.

How. Mr. Davie moved for leave to introduce a bill intituled "An act to extend the application of the 'Marriage act' and the 'Registration of births, deaths and marriages act' to the society called the Salvation Army."

Bill introduced and read a first time; second reading to-morrow.

Bill introduced and read a first time; second reading to-morrow.

LICENSES ACT.

Interest on Donto.

Mon Davie expressed surprise that if Mr. Beaven, as stated, noticed in committee the inconventience likely to result from the provision now proposed to be amended, he had not brought in an amendment to the adoption of the report of the committee, as it was his custom to so place on record his dissent to anything of which he did not approve.

Mr. Turner said he found, in turnful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to cause the province.

Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to cause to be sent down to this house a return showing: 1. The total cost to the province of the land recently expropriated to form part of the government grounds at James Bay, Victoria; 2. The total amount of con-Bay, Viotoria; 2. The total amount of contracts let to date for the construction of the new parliament buildings; 3. A statement of the work to be done not covered by contracts now let (a) on the construction, fitting and furnishing of the new parliament buildings; (b) on the laying out of grounds, etc., consequent on the construction of the said buildings.

THE SINGLE TAX.

ontinue a discussion on this subject, but would not go into the matter fully just now, as he intended to give his opinion at some length when the appeal against his deame up.

THE SPEAKER announced having received instruction that the appeal against his decision had been dropped.

HON. MR. DAVIE said he thought Mr. Ketth's question was out of order under paragraphs 116 and 117 of the Rules of Order, and he asked for a ruling on this point.

THE SPEAKER ruled that the question was out of order under paragraphs 116 and 117 of the Rules of Order, and he asked for a ruling on this point.

THE SPEAKER ruled that the question was out of order.

MR. BROWN asked: "Is the Government prepared to name the date upon which the redistribution bill will be brought down to this house?"

HON. MR. DAVIE—The bill will be brought down to this house?"

HON. MR. DAVIE—The bill will be brought down to the former to seek the aid of the latter, the excess of labor being greater than the demand, and it is influence and usefulness, without the aid of capital in some shape or other, but oapital has many channels open to it to maintain its influence and usefulness, without the direct aid of labor. At the meeting last evening Mr. McMillan said "that the pioneers who went into the backwoods of Ontario had no capital." date.

TAX ON MORTGAGES.

DR. MILNE asked: "Is it the intention of the government to repeal so much of the personal property tax enactment as relates to money loaned, on mortgage on real estate?"

HON. MR. TURNER requested that the question be laid over until Monday.

THE GAUVERAU EXPEDITION.

last evening Mr. McMillan said "that the back woods of Ontario had no capital." I think he will find that very many of those people secured their holdings from large land companies on the instal ment plan, and frequently receiving advances in money to enable them to carry on clearing and cultivation. Others who had no capital, would without doubt have to borrow on mortgage, or receive extended MR. SWORD resumed the adjourned de-bate on the motion of Mr. McKenzie for the appointment of a committee of the appointment of the appointm

would escape the weight of the instrument analysis of the stomachic contents and the with which he seeks to crush his fellow citizens, who are doing their duty manfully amination into the facts of the case he examination of the correspondence without and honestly, without the desire to injure any class or person in the community. I feel it is little use discussing this subject with a person who is fanatical or irrational, suspected of foul play in the matter and in over a pet hobby whom no argument will convince of his blindness. No one would suffer more under the single tax system than the struggling man with his modest homestead. The capitalist can take care of W. J. MACDONALD.

HADDINGTON ISLAND STONE.

A question having been raised as to the a question naving been raised as to the quality and available quantity of the Haddington island stone prescribed by the specifications to be used in the new departmental buildings, the Lands and Works department have caused a special examination and report to be made. Architect Rattender buildings, whose report, dealing very fully with the subject in all its bearings, has just In this he states that the stone is extremely good generally. It is of two distinct qualities, the principal being in color. The natural color of the stone as created Nanaimo a separate judicial district, so as to create also a separate district for West Kootenay, with headquarters at Nelson.

The committee rose and reported progress.

HORTICULTURAL BILL.

Hon. Mr. Turner moved the second reading of the horticultural bill. He said reading r

posed of this, which is free from blemishes and discolorations. The quarry is advan-tageously situated, and \$1,500 would be first scow load landed at James Bay; after that stone could be delivered as rapidly as desired. It will be necessary to have a thoroughly practical manager at the quarry. Haddington island, where this is situated, is about 250 miles north of Victoria, on the east side of Vancouver island.

In view of the present slackness in the lumber trade it is probable the Hastings sawmill will be shut down for a short time. sawmill will be snut down for a snort time. The last and only vessel at present under charter to load at the mill is the Norwegian ship Beaconsfield, which has now almost finished taking her cargo.

PERFECTLY CURED. PERFECTLY USERAD.

SIRS—I have been greatly troubled with headache and bad blood for ten or twelve years. I started to take Burdock Blood Bitters in July, 1892, and now January, 1893, I am perfectly cured.

HUGH DRAIN, Norwood, Ont. FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

Coroner's Inquest Opened on the Exhumed Body of Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts.

The Certificate of Death Discussed and Freely Commented

On Sunday last Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts (widow) died at the home of W. T. Collinson, postmaster at Plumper Pass, Mayne island; on Monday night the body was brought to this city on the steamer Louise, Mr. Collinson accompanying it; and on Tuesday the interment took place at Ross Bay cemetery, Richard Morrison, M.D., of this city, having certified to the cause of this city, having certified to the cause of death, pronouncing it cardiac (heart) disease. Yesterday morning the body was exhumed by order of Coroner Hasell, acting upon information received from Mr. F. S. Hussey, superintendent of Provincial police; and yesterday afternoon a formal inquest was opened into the case, which gives promise of being a sensational one. Since Mrs. Roberts' death there has been considerable speculation as to its cause, in the locality in which she had resided, and there is believed to be sufficient evidence now available to justify

she had resided, and there is believed to be sufficient evidence now available to justify the suspicion that the unfortunate woman was deliberately poisoned.

The steps taken in the matter by Superintendent Hussey were in consequence of his having received a letter in reference to the case from Officer McNeill, now stationed at the Pass. The next, move in the case at the Pass. The next move in the case will probably be the arrest of Postmaster Collinson on the charge, under the new code, of neglecting to provide medical at-tention for the unfortunate woman upon her

request that a doctor be called.

The jury empannelled in the case yester.
day afternoon is composed of Messrs.
Henry Waller, W. H. Bone, R. Erskine, E. Pearson, Henry Short and E. Bray; and the first witness called was Undertaker Thomas Story, of Victoria.

Mr. Story's evidence was to the effect

that on Sunday evening Captain Rudiin brought to him a note from W. T. Collin-To THE EDITOR:—I have no intention to coatinue a discussion on this subject, but will ask you to publish this short reply to Mar Render's and the short reply to Pass. This order was duly executed, and the

possible to pronounce the cause of death from a glance at the face of the deceased, but in would not be possible in a case of cardiac disease, which Dr. Morrison had certified to be the cause of death.

F. S. Hussey, superintendent of police, taking the witness box, deposed that from information received from the police at Plumper Pass touching the death of Elizabeth Roberts, he considered that there ment of the Gauvreau expedition. As the correspondence was very voluminous he thought the house should appoint the committee, which could then examine the letters.

Hon. Mr. Vernon moved that Mr. Hall's name be added to the committee, as he represented the district where the expedition had been and had made personal inquiries there.

country could live. Why should any workingman be willing, and beg, pray and petition to pay even a \$15 tax on his home when his neighbor, who is living in leased premises, and engaged in a profitable business, pays nothing, although receiving equal benefits with the taxpayer?

Mr. Berridge, I should imagine, does not own a homestead of his own, consequently would escape the weight of the instrument analysis of the stomachic contents and the contents of the intestines. A thorough exthought was necessary in the interest not only of the friends of the suspected of foul play in the matter and in the interest of justice. He did not consider Dr. Morrison's certificate of death worth

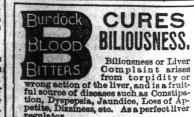
anything at all.
The Coroner—Neither do I. The witness continued that the certificate of death could not but be considered as wholly unreliable in view of the very hurried and superficial examination of the

Mr. Short (juror)-Is there no way of punishing a doctor for a thing like this?

Coroner Hasell replied that he was not familiar with the law in this country. Were such a thing to transpire in England, the medical man so offending would have his name struck from the roll of bury not being able to visit the quarry, the duty was entrusted to Edwin C. Howell, the superintendent of works for the new certificate of death. Mr. Short suggested that as the Legisla-

ture was now in session it would be well to suggest to the Attorney-General the desir-ability of similar legislation here, if it were found that no existing law covered adequat-

vegetable matter penetrating to a depth of a few feet only through the beds and open fissures. There is no difference except in color between the two descriptions, the weathering qualities and crushing strength being about equal. There is, however, an unlimited quantity of first quality, or silver gray stone, the greater part of the quarry being composed of this, which is free from blemishes and discolorations. The quarry is advantaged by the deceased to more than one, and she also told Constable McNeill, in the presented of the constable McNeill, in the presented of Mr. Robert I.B. that the held from the descriptions of Mr. Robert I.B. that the held for the constable McNeill, in the presented of Mr. Robert I.B. that the held for the constable matter thussey gives the information that the description, with whom the deceased lived, is to inherit all her money, she having some days before her death signed a will in his favor prepared by himself. The statement that Collinson, with whom the deceased lived, is to inherit all her money, she having some days before her death signed a will in his favor prepared by himself. The statement that Collinson refused to secure medical aid when requested was, it is said, made by the deceased to more than one, and she also told Constable McNeill, in the present that the present that the collinson with whom the deceased lived, is to inherit all her money, she having some days before her death signed a will be a signed a ence of Mr. Robson, J.P., that she had freageously situated, and \$1,500 would be unple to open it out on proper lines, and our weeks would be sufficient to get the list seew load landed at James Bay; after to Constable McNeill and to Mr. and Mrs.



B.B.B. EXCELS B.B. EXCELS
all others, having cured severe cases
which were thought incurable.
Mis. Jane Vansickle, Alberton, Ont.,
was cured of Liver Complaint after
years of suffering by using five bottles
of B.B.B. She recommends it. THE CIT

COUNTERFEIT silver dollars THE Council of the Brit

Board of Trade will meet on at 11 o'clock. There are sev portant matters listed for cous TRAVELERS on the Saanich long miss the Swan Lake h G. Tiarks yesterday let the co new building to contractor work will be pushed along

In the case of the Attorney Canada v. Hughitt & McIntry Divisional court yesterday, the make no direction on the appearance of the case of order that the matter of the with by the judge at the trial.

A REPORT comes from Lost effect that a dead body was tossed among the surf Sunday recould not be ascertained who been drowned, as the water was to permit of an attempt to recov MESSES. Brayshaw & Dar leased the premises at the corne ton and Gordon streets, recently J. F. Beek & Co. and R. Ray. to receive a fair share of patron lines—carriage building, horses general blacksmithing.

THE Scotch collie, Metch C. K. C. S. B., 2,842, has pro owner with four hearty dog pare rich walnut-sable in color golden, and all are marked Their sire is the well-know Gordon, C. K. C., 3,222. WORD has been received from

that two Indians have been a Officer Wollacott and are held Alert Bay, the suspicion bein had something to do with the Green and Taylor at Savary i months ago. The arrest was dian information, which at best

REV. DR. CAMPBELL, who had quent visitor to the cell of the murderer, Albert Stroebel, up to ation of his belief in the Roma faith, has announced his in preaching next Sunday evening of Punishment." The subject bein is exciting world-wide attention it is to be expected that the will be an unusually large one. THE position in the forestry

THE position in the forestry branch of the Lands and Wor ment made vacant by the death Deputy Inspector MacRae of the office, will probably not be filled, intention of the Government to shortly an act respecting the offic of logs, which may obviate the n an appointment to the office men which there have been a great applicants. A COMPLETE outfit of men's awaiting an owner's arrival at the up. Shirt, collar, underwear, socks, cap—everything is included suit was found at the door of the factor of the collar the collar the only theory formed by the not a very likely one either—is that has divested himself of his clothen committed suicide by drowniterday threw no new light on th case. awaiting an owner's arrival at the

THE officers for the present of Eureka Council, No. 10, R. T. of installed last evening by Bros. Gle A. B. Fraser, members of the Gracil, as follows: S. C., T. H. Matt C., K. Matthew; P. C., G. Su. Chap., T. Haughton; Rec. Sec. Chapman; Fin. Sec., Miss P. Butt Mrs. Haughton; Herald, W. N.

Guard, Mrs. Matthew; Sent., 2 Swanson; Med. Referee, Dr. Lai T. H. Matthew was appointed re tive to the Grand Council. CAPTAIN Voss and Mate Svensor the schooner Emerald, which ha considerable notoriety lately, are proprietors of the Empire resta Johnson street. They assumed the ship of this cosy little eating place week ago, and are well satisfied wi venture. If not as profitable as the enterprises it is much safer, and the customs authorities have off every inducement to return to S sco and give evidence against the partners, it is understood that th

HON. SENATOR MACDONALD of will occupy the chair this evening Methodist school room, James Ba Rev. E Robson will deliver his le "The Merchant Prince, or lesson life of the late Hon. Senator John ald, of Toronto." The choir will eral choice selections during the and a Scotch tribute will be furnish tune on the bag pipes. As Mr. M was a "self-made man" who by hi vering industry raised himself from boy at \$60 per annum, to the pos Canada's Merchant Prince, occupyi same time an influential position in litics, charities and Christian activ the country, the story of his life, cannot fail to interest and instruc and old. The lecture will begin at and a collection will be taken at the

to remain beneath the British flag.

It is not everyone these hard whose welfare and comfort the possuch a personal interest as they regard to John Wilson. The latt here some time ago and, in his igne the statute in that behalf, provided klootch with fire water. The con was a temporary enforced absen public life. He reappeared the of but shortly afterwards the eagle ey but shortly afterwards the eagle of law perceived that John sport clothes. In vain he explained the gift of a charitable lady, to jai mending a charge of theft in to go, pending a charge of theft is tion with his wardrobe. But the a having failed, a charge of vagrar substituted, and Wilson is still p from visiting his personal friend morning he will be again prese Magistrate Macrae under the lates

THE steamship Umatilla, which California on Friday evening, wi among her passengers the follow chiefs, who leave for San Fran attend the second annual meeting Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chief Deasy, Victoria: Chief I Olympia; Chief Ackerman, New ater; Chief Carlyle, Vancouver Hunt, Seattle; Chief Williams, An Chief Hill, Port Townsend, an Scales, Nanaimo. The party, with ception of the local chief, will all this city on Thursday. On Mon conventional meeting opens, and wipprogress for many days. The Mi Fair supervisors have set anary Fair Fair supervisors have set apare Fel-as the day on which the chiefs will exhibition grounds. Each member