

ACTIVITY IN SHIPPING.

Victoria Will See the Departure of Three Ships for the North To-Day.

Foreigners Make a Cool Suggestion to Collector Milne—Paper for Australia.

To-day should see a more than usual active time along the waterfront, for there will be at least three important sailings for the Northern gold fields...

Quebec. The paper going South from here is mostly consigned to Edwards, Dunlop & Co., Sydney, and it is said the big newspaper of that town are among the heaviest consumers...

After a thorough overhauling, the tug Casar was launched from Turpel's ways yesterday morning, and is now in prime condition for a busy towing season...

There is a striking contrast between northern bound steamers and vessels going south these days, although in the case of the City of Puebla, leaving for San Francisco last evening, a very large freight went to California from the Sound...

The steamship Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, is expected to arrive here from the Sound this evening on her initial trip to northern ports...

The fatal mistake being made by many of our business men in their haste to get to the gold fields is shown by the following letter which was received yesterday...

The attention of the reader is called to an attractive little book lately published by that eminent expert Physician, G. H. BERRY, M.D., 252 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Mr. James Barrett, who was recently injured in Union mines, receiving a bad sprain, says:—There is no limit to the amount of work for the last 15 years...

OUTFITTERS ARE BUSY.

Many More American Gold Hunters Arrive in Victoria to Buy Their Supplies.

Thirty Per Cent. Exclusive of Duty Saved on Dry Goods Alone, Says the Miner.

Yesterday was a red letter day in the experience of local outfitters and hotel men. The steamers Walla Walla and City of Kingston brought from across the border many prospective miners...

Further evidence as to Victoria's advantages as an outfitting point was furnished yesterday by a number of Americans who purchased their supplies here...

Mr. John W. Pratt went a step further than Mr. McNaught. He had been asked to prepare the draft of the ordinance, and the question of the amount of the license fee was, he thought, the only important matter in connection with the framing...

At exactly three o'clock the Lieutenant-Governor will appear at the bar and the sergeant-at-arms will proceed to the throne, the Fifth Regiment band playing the National Anthem...

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The house will then be opened after a special prayer of dedication by Bishop Perrin, and the choir will sing again. The prayer will be followed by the reading of the prayer book, and the closing prayer will be by Bishop Oridge...

Mr. Justice Walkem Allows the Application of the E. & N. Company. In the matter between the E. & N. Railway Co. and the New Vancouver Coal Co. Mr. Justice Walkem's decision given yesterday was as follows:

AFRAID OF THE FACTS.

Seattle Business Men Object to Klondikers Being Told the Truth.

Propose to Close Up Victoria Information Bureaus by High Taxation.

Seattle has since the Klondike excitement lost no opportunity of trying to kill Victoria's outfitting trade, and the schemes devised to attain this end have been too numerous to mention.

So worked up were the citizens of Seattle over the fact that prospective miners are showing a decided preference for Victoria as an outfitting point, that they called a special meeting of the council to discuss the matter Wednesday...

The following is the broad-minded view of the matter taken by President E. O. Graves, of the Chamber of Commerce: "I have not given the matter sufficient thought to express a well-considered opinion. It can not be well denied, however, that the policy adopted by our British cousins is novel, to say the least."

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STIKINE-TESLIN RAILWAY.

Men and Supplies Being Rushed Forward For the Big Undertaking—Mr. Mann in Victoria.

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LICENCE AUTHORIZING AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS.

"Companies Act, 1897." Province of British Columbia. No. 47. THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the "Tula Iron Mining Company, Limited," is authorized and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia...

The objects for which the Company has been established are: (a) To acquire by purchase, location or otherwise, a tract or tracts of mineral lands in the Province of British Columbia...

(b) To carry on the business of exploring for, mining and gathering gold, silver, copper, nickel, lead, iron, and other metals, minerals and ores, and to convey water from one place to another by any means...

(c) To dig for, mine, crush, smelt, reduce and manufacture such metals, minerals and ores, and forward, ship or sell the same either in crude or other form throughout the Dominion of Canada...

(d) To purchase or acquire from any individual, in whole or in part, any business of a nature or character similar to the business which this Company is authorized to carry on...

(e) To build, acquire, own, charter or lease, navigate and use steam, and other vessels, and to employ or engage any persons for the conveyance of the products of the Company's mines or other like purposes...

(f) To aid by way of bonus, gifts of money, or otherwise, in the construction and maintenance of a line or lines of steam, gas, telegraph, telephone, and other lines, and to connect with the lands and properties of the Company...

HAPPY CONTRACTORS.

Enormous Profit Said to Be Waiting on the London Market for the Lucky Friends of the Government.

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YESTERDAY provincial constable Murray left for Nanaimo in charge of Wm. Bayless, a young man who is charged with stealing a number of furs from the cabin of Frank Norton, Gabriola island. Norton has been ill in the Nanaimo hospital for some time past, and on the 19th of January his cabin was broken into and 60 mink skins and several other furs stolen...

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More paper arrived from the Sound yesterday to be forwarded to Sydney, N.S.W., on the Canadian-Australian steamship Warrimou, sailing on Thursday next. There is an average of 100 tons of paper forwarded to that point every month, and the wonder is that not a pound of it is manufactured in Canada, although it is largely produced in this country, especially in the big concern of E. B. Eddy & Co., at Hull,

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