REMAINS A MYSTERY

Commissioner Babcock Has Not Heard of This Mark Having Been Used

by Anyone.

Reference was made in the Times Frilay to the finding of Gran-led salmor

specimen to this city by Hans Helge-

Friday's Times referred to the fact that the specimen was one of a consider-able number of similarly marked fish

which were taken this past season by the

Indians at the outlet of Babine lake, the

Indians carried it to Indian Agent Lor-

ing, who is stationed at Hazelton. The

rmed the fish "a government salm

and believed it to have been marked by a government man. They stated that when the fish was taken from the river

that the marking was clear and bright,

and instantly attracted their attention, as

no similarly marked fish had even been taken by them. The first one was passed

from one to another for inspection, after

which it was especially preserved so as

ber, but said there were many.
The fish was shown to J. P. Babcock

the provincial government expert, and the commissioner had this to say of it:

"The fish is a sockeye and appears there been branded or marked after

reached the adult stage. I am unable

determine how or by what means it was

marked or that the mark was placed

there during its lifetime, although from

the fact that the Indians took the trouble

called his attention to the marking and

sen, fishery officer on the Skeena.

headwaters of the Skeena river.

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SUED FOR SLANDER

(From Friday's Daily.)

It is not unlikely that an interesting case will be heard in the Supreme court before very long. On Wednesday writs were issued on behalf of W. F. & H. F. Bullen against B. R. Seabrook, of the B. R. Seabrook Machinery & Supply Company, who is being sued for slander, the damages claimed by each plaintiff being \$10,000. Just what the alleged slander consists of the Times was unable to learn to-day, the statement of claim

if he had been served, and he said the documents were presented to him on Wednesday. "What was the slander?" queried the reporter. "I don't know," replied Mr. Seabrook. Messrs. Eberts & Taylor are representing the plaintiffs. Mr. Seabrook was formerly manager of the Albion Iron Works, and embarked in business for himself upon severing his connection with the firm. Subsequently the Messrs. Bullen took ever the Albion Iron Works to execute some

CELEBRATED THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vine Commemorated Fiftleth Anniversary

identified with the trade among the In-

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to display the curious and clearly defined brand. They afterwards caught many others similiarly marked fish. All were sockeyes. They could not state the num-

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Writs Issued By W. F. & H. F. Bullen Against B. R. Seabrook.

not having been filed. This will be done in the course of a few days.

A Times representative 'phoned up Mr. Seabrook this morning and inquired

G. R LAWRENCE: assessment work for year ending Sept. 11th 1904, on mineral claims Cascade and Fores King, on head waters of Chemainus River your interest in same will be forfeited in time and as provided for by statute.

A. R. SHERK.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to apply the Chief Commissioner of Lands an Works for permission to purchase the following tract of land situated on the right bank of the Skeena River, Coast District British Columbia: Commencing at a posmarked W. D. McIntosh, S. E. corner (at Johning F. Round's S. W. corner, about on and a half miles west of Kh-yex River thence running north 20 chains, thence we thence running north 20 chains, 80 chains, thence south to the s following the shore east to t

W. D. M'INTOSH.

Sept. 9th, 1904. Notice is hereby given that after date I intend to apply at the Chief Commissioner of Works for permission to purch lowing described tract of land Lion Point, Portland Canal, B District, opposite Salmon River, commencing at a post marked G. C. S. W. C., thence north 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence west 20 chains to the place of commencement, containing eighty acres more or less.

GRAHAM CHAMBERS.

Aug. 4th, 1904. Sixty days after date I intend to apply of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land, more or less, commencing at the southeast corner of the Indian Reserve at Quat leo, thence south 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, and neuce east to point of (Sgd.) THOS. JONES.

Sept. 25th, 1904. Sixty days after date we intend to apply Works for permission to lease 160 acres of grass and tide lands, comprising part of Section 16, Township 4, Rupert District, to be used for grazing cattle.

Sept. 13th, 1904.

ELIJAH BARNETT. JOSEPH SHELFORD WANT TO LEASE A FARM for one or

two years, with privilege of purchase within 15 miles of Victoria. "Rustic," P. O. Box 417, Victoria. farming, settling in Metchosin. He has re sided there ever since, and is one of the

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WERE UNABLE TO REPULS

The Positions Carrie After Bombardment for Three D

Chicago, Nov. 7.-A natch from Dalny, N Kobe. November 7th. "After three days of bardment of Port Arth extensive destruction and Niryusan forts in the Russian line of d Keekwan fort, the rig anese army assaulted day afternoon. Havi proaches to the height trenched themselves "In the evening the

an assault on Keekwar to the lower parapet. ese held their ground sian counter attacks. "Having been night, the Russians c the Japanese and a hand conflict ensued. back the enemy and ered positions in the f anese sub-lieutenant, teers, then succeeded to the rear of the gagd in a personal sian officer and killed covered two more de moat the sub-lieute force, losing two m "Later in the night sition of the Japanese taken twice. The besi holding the approac trenches. At dawn n were visible on the slop of the new batteries, of the line, was cap tions have successfu tive wedge into the I "Severe explosions a

1.100 of which over spirit of the men firing of all the gun "The climax of the came between 4 and 6 ternoon. It was a Every fort of the e and the fighting in vere. The outpost forces were only for o'clock this morning trenches collapsed lery. The enemy b

ground fled in confu

PLACES BLAME I

have occurred in the

last few days. The

London, Nov. 7. Press corresponden teresting conversati tary officer, who frankly on matter sia's present posit health compelled his ment, recruited in to of 2,500 men, only pated in the awful Yang. It was a to blame the trage Vice-Admiral Alexi "This erroneous

ems to prevail t Alexieff is not a br thoroughly comp The blame for u r up. It is not Russian to make who know the tru long ago becom blame rests solely "Alexieff rener was modified it For six months ostilities our the Baron von Rosen. Japanese preparat est language forec stand from the be-Czar met every or remarks of incredu the question and you These reports wi "In this way fleet was not rea was not adequa

our army consiste and it was not suffi "And what will "The future wi have learned a bitt make use of our ex throw an army in will crush the Japa

St. Petersburg, No. resulted in the mobil

RUSSIAN RESER

WARSHIPS ARE TO LEAVE FOR HOME

BRANDED SALMON.

Indians Took Them in the Babine River During the Fishing Season.

Hans Helgeson, fishery officer under

the Dominion government, has just re-turned from a trip among the northern

very plainly before the fish was cured It is in the form of a W and was given

to Mr. Helgeson by Indian Agent Loring at Hazelton. The Indians upon finding the mark on the fish designated it as

government fish. He will show it to Com-

missioner Babcock, and is very anxious to find out where the branding was done,

so as to trace the origin of the branded

ing to know, and afford valuable informa-

dicts That Japanese Will Establish

a Suzerainty.

A distinguished United States official,

United States Consul-General McQuade, of Canton, China, arrived from the

Orient on Friday by the steamer Tre

mont. He has held that position for the

past five years and is now on a short va-

cation. It is his intention to visit his

home in Phalidelphia, after which he

will go to Washington on official busi-

ness. Consui-General McQuade has ar-

ranged also for a consultation with

James J. Hill, president of the Great

Northern, regarding the possibilities of

In an interview Friday Consul

McQuade remarked that the evident in

number of Great Northern freighters

plying between the United States and the

Orient. Communicating with Mr. Mc

Quade, he had expressed a desire for an interview on the general trade through-

out China. Mr. McQuade agreed and

arranged to call upon the railway mag-

nate during his present visit to th

Consul-General McQuade says that the

polies in the district neighboring Can-

ton are in a constant state of rebellion

He condemns the form of government is

most emphatic terms. The official posi-

openly and there is absolutely no attempt

The result of this, Consul McQuade says, has been constant rebellion. When

the coolies are not actually in arms they

mon. On one occasion a short railway was being constructed and a large num-

dangerous position by judicious use

revolvers and other firearms. This, Mr

McQuade remarked, was simply an illus-

tration of what was constantly occur-

those residing in Korea and the coast

Consul McQuade is accompanied by a

mont for Seattle, from where they will

government is abso-

at concealment.

trade between the States and China.

tion in the study of salmon life.

JAPAN WILL EXERCISE

on, which would be most interest

UNEXPECTED ORDERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED

H. M. S. Grafton and Flora Are to Sail For England To-Mor-

(From Friday's Daily.) Residents of Esquimalt have been mystified to-day by the receipt of news calling for the immediate return to England of two of the warships on this station. The Grafton, the flagship of the station, and the Flora are to go. The former is to leave to-morrow in command of Capt. Fraser, of the Bonaventure, and A United States Consul-General Prethe Flora is to either sail from some station on the southern coast, or is to be picked up by the Grafton, both ships

then proceeding thence around the Horn.

The orders directing this movement were only received at 8 o'clock last night, and have caused no little excitement. They have been a complete sur-prise to officers of the navy as well as to the civilians ashore. The Grafton had coaled preparatory for a cruise to Honolulu and California ports, and she was to have sailed on Saturday or early next week. Officers had been planning accordingly, and while they had been in view of the time being near at hand continued service on this coast, they had anticipated the new turn which

events have now taken. As for the Flora, she was due back in Esquimalt in the early spring. She is now, it is believed, not wholly prepared for the long trip into the Atlantic and across that ocean home. Therefore it is tention of Mr. Hill was to increase the ible she may have to wait on the arrival of the flagship for provisions, etc., as the suppy station on the South American coast was recently disposed

tion is given for the orders just to hand, nor can there be any surmised. It has been stated that the action is in accord with the policy of the admiralty to reduce Esquimalt station to two ships, leaving but the Bonaventure and Shearwater together, with survey ship Egeria here; but this decision would hardly be executed in the short time which has elapsed since the previous orders respect-

and a sum of money had been appropriated for the work. No preparations whatever had been made for the departure of the ships, and it therefore appear as though special circumstances warranted the new orders. It has further been argued that the niralty are determined on carrying out the suggestion of Sir John Fraser re- are so dissatisfied that riots are com

pecting a flying squadron.

The Flora has about nine more months of her commission to serve on this sta- ber of coolies were employed on the roadtion, and it was hoped that she would bed. Ten or twelve American were make Esquimalt her headquarters for superintending the work. Without any several more years. Capt. Baker, who is in command, is a very popular officer, and their labors and threatened to mob their last year her crew won second place for gunnery in the whole British navy. The extricate themselves from what was a vessel is a second class cruiser, a sister ship to the Bonaventure, and the Graf-

ton is a first class cruiser. odore Goodrich and staff are to remain at Esquimalt, which makes it appear as though the station would not until some better form of government appear as though the station would not be further reduced, but rather that some very radical changes are contemplated by the newly appointed senior lord of In this connection it may be contributing an annual sum to the expectation of the senior lord of Indian, was naturally appointed by the newly appointed senior lord of Indian, but two years hence China will be contributing an annual sum to the expectation. are to be replaced by vessels of a much greater tonnage; the necessity for which might be emphasized by the present Chinese provinces cannot continue, he

Anglo-Russian situation.

With the Grafton and Flora gone, only the Bonaventure and Shearwater will remain, and of these two ships only one is available for immediate use, the Shearwater being now undergoing repairs. It is obvious that with matters requiring the services of a warship in the south and in the north, that these

duties of this station. SENSATIONAL CHARGE.

Japanese Minister at The Hague Alleged to Have Organized Attack on Russian Fleet.

districts of China as to the outcome. Everyone believes that the Japs will not St. Petersburg, Nov. 5 .- 5.40 p.m.-A sensational report is current here, at-only be able to hold what has already tributed to a high authority, that Russia been won, but will drive the Russian will undertake before the international army back to the frontier of that Emcommission to prove that the Japanese pire. "Russia has for many years acted the part of the masterful bully in the minister at The Hague actually organized an attack on the Russian squadron, East," remarked Consul McQuade, "but the terrier now has the hear by the pase and will produce a message sent by the mose and won't let go." Sympathy all over that such was the case. that such was the case.

Judge Coffee, of San Francisco, has denied a motion for a postponement of the contest party of relatives and friends on his over the million-dollar escate left by the present trip. He is delighted with Viclate Bertha Dolbeer. Her will, dated toria, commenting on its neat appearance, the beauty of its situation and the granthet che comments. that she was then of unsound mind and party unduly influenced by her companion, Etta M. Warren.

A WISE PRECAUTION.

RESCUED BY FIREMEN. No matter whether the baby is sick or

Women and Children Had Narrow Escapes During Fire. be in the house. They not only cure infantile disorders, but they prevent them, and should be used whenever the little es show the slightest signs of illness. dent of a local pie company, were overspoken of by mothers—no other medicine has done so much to make little one bealthy and good natured. Mrs. Albert Luddington, St. Mary's River, N.S., says: "I do not believe my baby world have been alive to-day had it not been alive to-day had it not been alive to-day had it not been he is growing nicely, is good natured and is getting fat." Good for the members of the family and new born baby or growing child—and No other medicine is so enthusiastically new born baby or growing child—and all unconscious when the firemen arabove all absolutely safe. You can get rived and carried them to the street, Baby's Own Tablets from your drug-gist or by mail at 25 cents a box by were: Mrs. Elisha W. Case, Mrs. writing The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Manasse, her mother; two of the Case

rivers of the province. He brought down with him a smoked salmon branded on both sides. This was one of a good num-VARIOUS THEORIES ber caught by the Indians in the Babine ABOUT SHIP SAILING river. The Indians were greatly ex-cited over this, as the brand appeared

> The Vessel Has Taken on All Amminition for Nine-Inch Guns.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Is H. M. S Grafton, which leaves here this afternoon ostensibly for Eng-

land; going out under sealed orders, and will Capt. Fraser, who has just been transferred to her from the Bonaven-CONTROL OVER CHINA ture, get his instructions after getting of electricity has been lowered since out to sea to proceed to the Orient? out to sen to proceed to the Orient?
This is the question that has been heard expressed to-day by those who do not understand the reason for the unexpected orders which have been given by John Nicholas Passed Away Friday the Admiralty. Officially no explanatio is given for the recall of the ships, and

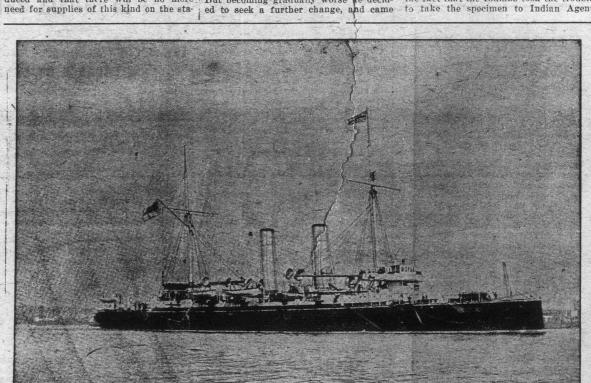
> departure. One significant thing in connection sought their fortunes in with the preparations of the ship for sea mineral field of South Africa after the is the fact that she has taken aboard all Boer war. with the preparations of the suip for sea is the fact that she has taken aboard all the available 9.2 ammunition in stock at Esquimalt. This may lead to the impression that the squadron is being reduced and that there will be no more duced and that there will be no more duced and that there will be no more and the squadron is being reduced to seek a further change, and came

505,197. The construction of the Van-couver power installation is proceeding very satisfactorily. Less than one-third of the tunnel between Trout and Coquitlam lakes remains to be driven; the corcrete dam at Trout lake, the power house and the sub-stations have all been completed, and three pipe lines are in place. Since 19th December, 1903, the city of Vancouver street lighting ha been carried out by means of power de livered from Trout lake, and a con tract has been entered into to supply the city of New Westminster with power for street lighting over a term of years. The remaining £45,000 of Vancouver power debentures have been issued during the year, making a total issue of £220,000. The additional funds required by the nower company is complete conby the power company in complete struction work are being supplied by the railway company. The engineers estimate that the work will be completed about May, 1905. The negotiations for the purchase of the Vancouver Gas Company have been successfully carried through since the end of the year now under review. The cessation of compe tition between these undertakings will result in benefit both to the British Col umbia Electric Railway Company and to the public in Vancouver. The price

DIED AT LADYSMITH.

-Had Been Ill Long Time.

is given for the recall of the ships, and if, as frequently happens, there are instructions given which are not to be opened until the ship gets away from communication, there may be a very communication, there may be a very the ship's hasty that the ship gets away from the ship's hasty that the ship gets a very sailly see that the ship gets are shiples sometracted. efinite reason given for the ship's hasty time, the result of an illness contracted by him in common with many others who



H. M. S. GRAFTON. Flagship of the Pacific Squadron Which Sailed For England on Saturday.

Admiralty will send a ship to the sta-

everything depends upon the result of the present Russo-Japanese war. There The Grafton has orders to leave at 4 ems to be no doubt in the minds of hours after the orders came calling for her departure. Should she, some (and there is nothing to warrant the statement that she will not), she will call probably at Acapulco, Coquimbo and Montevideo for coal. She will be due to reach England in this event some time in January.

INCREASE IN EARNINGS.

Report of B. C. Electric Railway Co.

Ltd., Shows Profitable Year.

deur of the scenery. The consul and party left by the steamer Tre- "The report "The report of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Ltd., for the twelve months ending June 30th last, to be submitted at the meeting on the 28th immediately start for the Eastern States. inst., shows an increase in gross receipts of \$138,445, and the net earnings, after charging renewals, an increase of \$60,649. The following charges have been made against the revenue account Chicago, Nov. 4.—Seven persons in namely: Provision for renewals maintenance, £13,372; bonus to employees, dent of a local pie company, were over-come by smoke and carried to the street and issuing expenses, £1.343; added to liminary and issuing expenses, trans-ferring to reserve fund £7.104, and carrying forward £2,222. The number of lights in use at 30th June. 1904, was 112.911, an increase of 19.812. The haha for an extended tour of Europe, dur-number of passengers carried during the ing which he expects to compete with add year was 8,859,486, an increase of 1,- the leading swimmers.

tives in this city, Seattle and Lady-

THE WEEK'S GAZETTE.

Last week's issue of the Provincial Gazette contains the following appointments: and for the province of British Columbia. Frederick Morrison Tweedie, of Surf Inof the peace within and for the province

deputy district registrar of the Victoria Small Debts court holden at Victoria. The following companies have been inorporated: Ladysmith Iron & Stove Works The following appears in the issue of Co., Ltd.; capital \$50,000. divided into is destroyed.

October 22nd. of the Canadian Gold- 2,000 shares of \$25 each. Lammon Takojat, "It is a cur Ltd.; capital \$10,000, divided into 100

shares of \$100 each. The Commercial Club, of Vancouver, has been incorporated under the provisions of mutual helpfulness, mental and moral improvement, rational recreation and the promotion of good fellowship among the members. The trustees are: Archibald C. Enoch A. Burnett, jr., machinist; Albert L. Booth, civil engineer.

19-year-old swimmer of the New York A. C., who holds all the American swimming records up to 500 yards and the world's record for 220 yards, will sail on the Minne-

a distinct sear, it would appear as though the mark was not placed there by then but by some others before it reached Ba-"The brand or sear is distinct on both

sides below the lateral line just back of the pectoral fin. It looks like an M with rounded top lines, or an inverted W. The markings on each side are alike, quarter of an inch in width, and the scales are missing, though intact on al sides. I have never seen or heard of a fish being similarly marked or branded "Messrs. Rutter and Chamberlain, of United States fish commissi marked some adult fish in Alaskan waters last year, but I do not know the character of the marks used by them. the fish was branded by some canner or fishermen, but no notice has ever been

Incidental to the finding of this fish it is of interest to know that Commissioner

Some weeks ago an event of special interest to Victorians took place in Metchosin district. It was the celebration of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vine, the first white people to be united in matrimony on Vancouver Island. but understood they used copper tags, as They have resided on a farm in the section with the section of the land as pilot, and claims the Thomas Alfred Lea Smith, of Hornby Rutter used such tags in marking salmon tion mentioned for years. The esteem and distinction of being the first one to act in Sacramento river. It is possible that respect in which they are held by neighbors respect in which they are held by neighbors that capacity on Vancouver Island. was demonstrated by the large and happy | On retiring in the orgr, 258, he took up let, Princess Royal Island, to be a justice given of their so doing. So far as I know gathering at the home on the fiftieth annithe United States government has not marked any adult fish other than those received with every courtesy and Mr. and

at Esquimalt. For about five years after appear.

cident occurred which resulted in the dis- Ovide Packwood, of this place, has foun turbance. With him was only an Indian an effectual and permanent boy-the son of the chief of a Fort Rupert | Dodd's Kidney Pills, and in his gr.

Mrs. Belle Holland Wilson, of Port Essing-ton, M. D., to be acting resident physician, an acting medical health officer and a deputy coroner for the province of British officials often liberated marked speci- ness. John Henry Austin, of Victor's, to be mens of salmon fry, but do not use a! It is fifty-three years ago since Mr. Vine deputy district registrar of the Victoria brand. Seemingly the sear could not first arrived at Esquimait. He came out dudicial district, deputy registrar of the have been made by any animal or fish. on the schooner Norman Morrison, Capt. ounty court of Victoria and clerk of the The fact that the marking is identical on Bishop, in 1851. After residing there for both sides is one of the striking charac- a short time he joined in the rush to the teristics. The sear is like that made on | California gold fields, where he was fairly human flesh where the true or new skin successful. Returning in '52, he became "It is a curiously marked and interest- dians and has many interesting stories to

ing specimen, and I am greatly obliged to Mr. Helgesen for affording me an opportunity of examining it. Mr. Helge-sen is a very careful and painstaking ob-had taken his schooner to that district the "Benevolent Societies Act," the objects of the association being social intercourse, posted men on the salmon life of Skcena bargaining with the Indians when the inmembers. The frustees are: Archibeld C. Laing, accountant; Alfred Levi Harrington, the various systems of marking fish in the excessive greed of the Indians roused by "I can tell you," Mr. Packwood order that the life history of the Fraser river salmon may become known. He grabbed something and it was regained I was very far from well indeed. will experiment with a punch prepared after a struggle. Then a wild-eyed Indian after consultation with other experts. In-

ous position without harm, Mrs. Vine, then Miss Mary Ann Boast,

successful it can be carried out on a very much larger scale than is possible by effect, and Mr. Vine escaped from a danger all who suffer as I did, should use Dodd' affixing copper tags to the fins. Winnipeg, Nov. 5.—A young man named warfwed here also on the ship Norman Moran Pills and nine-tenths of the suffering the Waught was killed in James Hoggart's rison in '52, and was married a year later human family has to endure will dis threshing machine at La Riviere.

tion. But those who form this conclusion to Victoria, where he has resided for Loring, and that the flesh seems to bea not take into account the some months. A few days ago he went fact that 9.2 guns are to be installed at to Ladysmith, where yesterday he pass-Signal Hill and that it is not customary ed away at the residence of his brother. for orders to be given so suddenly for He bore his long illness with noble recall of ships.

True, the Grafton is the only vessel will be a source of deep sorrow to his which carries ordnance of the size men-tioned. She has two of this class of the Old Country. He was 32 years of guns and several six-inch ordnance, for age, and was born in Cornwall, England. all of which she has an abundance of ammunition, there being in addition to father and sister in England, and relasays. The present government is absolutely useless; there is no patriotism among the people; in fact there is nothing to hold the country together. His opinion is that Japan will ultimately establish a suzerainty over the Chinese Empire. Already Japanese officials are practically governing many districts, and shortly before he left the Orient the Japanese government is reported to have assumed control of Manchuria.

Of course, Censul McQuade says, everything depends upon the result of the smith. Several Appointments-Companies Incorporated and Other News. of Brush Columbia.