

DELEGATES TO THE LABOR CONGRESS

THE VANGUARD HAS REACHED VICTORIA

Quartette of Trades-Unionists Here to Attend the Annual Convention Which Opens Monday.

(From Friday's Daily.)
The vanguard of the hundred or more delegates expected to attend the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, which convenes next Monday in Victoria, is in the city. The party comprises John A. Flett, A. F. & L., of Hamilton, Ont.; Alex. Champion, Machinists' International Union; W. R. Trotter, Winnipeg Typographical Union; and W. V. Todd, Cigarmakers' International Union. They are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

An important prediction was made by Mr. Flett while in conversation with a Times reporter to-day. It was to the effect that at the forthcoming gathering a new and better one, for supremacy, might be anticipated. Mr. Flett went on to say that he did not make this statement rashly or without giving his words due consideration. It was a matter of common knowledge that James Simpson, of the typographical union, who held somewhat extreme socialistic views, would make an endeavor to obtain sufficient support to control the convention. Already he had strong backing, and it was understood, Mr. Flett alleged, that he was reaching out for the presidency. Against him would be pitted Alphonse Verville, the president of the organization. He impersonated the trades union sentiment and also had many ardent adherents. With such a situation Mr. Flett argued that the development of a contest of bitter intensity and vital importance was practically assured.

Whatever section succeeds in gaining the upper hand Mr. Flett is confident that the result of the proceedings will be the adoption of an entirely new policy. What reforms the latter will advocate he could not say, nor did he care to prophesy. But he felt justified in stating that the country, at least as far as the laboring classes are concerned, was on the brink of an upheaval the outcome of which would be difficult to measure.

Mr. Flett and the delegates with him were among those who heard the address delivered by James Macdonald, the representative of the British Independent Labor Party, last night at the A. O. U. W. hall. They afterwards had the pleasure of meeting that gentleman and were exceedingly pleased with the views he expressed of the Dominion of Canada. Mr. Pitt affirms that Mr. Macdonald declared that, after a careful consideration of the matter, he had come to the conclusion that the members of this party in the Dominion were the "impossibles," the extremists and most unreasonable in their views. In the east, Mr. Flett states, there has been the impression that the country was falling into the hands of the socialists. Since his arrival, however, that impression had been eliminated.

Messrs. Flett, Champion, Trotter and Todd announce that other delegates are on their way to Victoria and that at the opening of the first session practically the full representation will be in attendance.

BRIDGES SWEEP AWAY.

Government is Being Urged to Replace Them in the Interior of Province.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Thomas Taylor, M.P.P. for Revelstoke, is in the city in company with others from the Interior of the Province with the government on matters affecting the lands and works department. The immediate object in view is to urge the task of replacing bridges swept away a month ago by the floods which followed the excessive rains. The Fish and Pool rivers rose so rapidly that practically all the bridges over the streams had been destroyed. At Camrose the largest of these structures was lifted completely off the buttresses and carried some distance away. Business, Mr. Taylor explains, has been seriously interfered with in consequence of this, and it is necessary to immediately begin reconstruction of them.

The delegation say that the rise of water was far more sudden than is the case after the spring showers when the snow melts on the mountain sides. The rapid rise was attributed to a cloud-burst. The Arrow lakes rose four feet and the rivers rose as high as eight feet in 24 hours.

TOOK THEM FOR BEARS.

A Careless Hunter Fired Twice at Nelson People.

"Mr. and Mrs. Ellstone of this city had an unpleasant experience on Sunday afternoon last, and one which they are not likely to forget in a hurry," says the Nelson News.

"They resided at the residence of John Roche at the corner of Hall and Slick streets, and on Sunday went up to Cottonwood lake on a fishing excursion. They got out on the lake on a small motor launch, and were engaged in fishing parties and were enjoying themselves thoroughly when, suddenly, about 3 o'clock the report of a rifle shot rang out and a rifle bullet whizzed between them, burying itself in the water a little ahead of the raft.

"Mr. and Mrs. Ellstone were just congratulating themselves upon their narrow escape, attributing the affair to some sportsman on the adjacent hills who had fired at some game without knowing that a pair of human beings were in line, when a second report was heard and a second bullet just grazed Mrs. Ellstone and struck the water close to the raft.

"Thoroughly alarmed Mr. Ellstone began shouting and waving his handkerchief and hat in an effort to call the attention of the sportsman. In a moment or so a man was seen clambering down the hillside and later he halted at the top of the slope. "Say," he shouted, "are you hurt. I fired at you twice thinking you were a pair of bears."

"On being told that no actual damage had been done, the sportsman turned off with the remark: 'Well, I've had enough for one afternoon. I'll go home,' he started off for the city.

"Mr. Roche and his wife sometimes indulge in a little fishing on Cottonwood lake, and they hope sportsmen in the future will make sure of what they are shooting at before they shoot. The temptation to 'plug' at any thing that moves, is strong with some shooters, but if the season is to pass off without any fatalities more care will have to be exercised."

IRON BOX IN CAVE.

Doubts Expressed as to Its Having Come From the Valencia.

In connection with the reported finding of an iron box in a cave near the wreck of the steamer Valencia, A. Heathorn, representing the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, says there are reasons for believing that it is not from that vessel. Heathorn spoke to some of the survivors of the wreck and they say that the purser of the ill-fated steamer did not put his strong box into a boat. If the box in the cave is from the purser's office of any vessel, it is not, these survivors think, from the Valencia.

SHOOTING QUAIL AND PHEASANTS

OPEN SEASON PROCLAIMED BY YESTERDAY'S GAZETTE

Large Number of Applications for Timber Licenses—Incorporation of Several Companies.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The heart of the hunter will be made glad by two proclamations appearing in yesterday's issue of the British Columbia Gazette. Cock pheasants and quail can be shot in the Saanich, Esquimalt, Cowichan and Islands electoral districts from 1st October, 1906, to 31st January, 1907, both days inclusive. For other parts of the province different provisions are made.

In respect to pheasants the operative part of the proclamation reads as follows: "And whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in council, by order in council dated the twelfth day of September, 1906, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of cock pheasants be removed with respect to the Saanich, Esquimalt, Cowichan and Islands electoral districts from the 1st day of January, 1907, both days inclusive.

"With respect to the Comox electoral district (excepting Denman Island) from the 15th day of October, 1906, to the 31st day of December, 1906, both days inclusive. "And whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in council, by order in council dated the twelfth day of September, 1906, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of quail be removed with respect to the Saanich, Esquimalt, Cowichan and Islands electoral districts from the 1st day of October, 1906, to the 31st day of January, 1907, both days inclusive.

"With respect to that part of the Alberni district situated within the belt of land granted to the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company from the 1st day of October, 1906, to the 31st day of October, 1906, both days inclusive. "It is hereby ordered and declared that it shall be lawful to shoot cock pheasants within the periods and limits herebefore recited."

The regulations for this season regarding quail are proclaimed as follows: "And whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in council, by order in council dated the twelfth day of September, 1906, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of quail be removed with respect to the Saanich, Esquimalt, Cowichan and Islands electoral districts from the 1st day of October, 1906, to the 31st day of January, 1907, both days inclusive.

TO CLIMB SOOKE HILLS.

New and Powerful Motor Bicycle Imported by Thomas Plimley.

There is to be seen in the window of Thos. Plimley, opposite the post office, a new and powerful motor bicycle imported from England. This machine, imported from some new ideas in the line of motor bicycle construction, is equipped with a three and a half horse power engine of the four cycle type, also a Phoenix two-speed gear, and will climb a grade of twenty per cent. with ease. The hill climbing capacity of this motor bicycle will enable the user to take all the hills between Sooke and Nanaimo, including the famous hills at Sooke, which by the use of the high gear a great speed can be developed on suitable roads.

The motor bicycles and motor cars offered by the Minerva Motor Company. This is the only machine of the type in British Columbia, and is manufactured by the Minerva Motor Company. The motor bicycles and motor cars offered by this company have proven very satisfactory in service, and there are now no less than seven in our stock and being consigned to order in England for customers of Mr. Plimley's. The first consignment of these cars is looked for daily.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Delegates to Trades Congress—City Solicitor McEvoy Resigns—Earl Grey's Return.

Vancouver, Sept. 14.—A party of sixteen delegates to the Trades and Labor Congress in Victoria, including Alphonse Verville, M.P.P., arrived in this morning and are being entertained by local labor men to-day. They leave for Victoria to-morrow.

City Clerk and Solicitor McEvoy has resigned, his resignation to take effect in March. He gives the urgency of private business as his reason.

Arrangements for the reception of Earl Grey on September 15th were completed at a meeting of the civic reception committee this evening. The main item will be a large procession, a feature of which will be all the school children of the city, massed on the court house square and waving flags and cheering as His Excellency passes. There will also be a public reception at the drill hall in the evening.

STRIKE ORDERED.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 15.—A general strike of all shop employees on the Wabash custom department was ordered to take effect next Monday. The order, issued by skilled mechanics, including machinists, boiler makers and blacksmiths.

TRADES CONGRESS OPENS MONDAY

ORDER OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST SESSION

Week's Business Proceedings Indefinite—Excursion and Smoker Provided for Entertainment of Visitors.

On Monday the twenty-second annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will open in Victoria. It is expected that considerably over one hundred delegates will be in attendance at the board of trade rooms when the first session is called at 10 o'clock on the morning of the day mentioned. As stated in these reports, the vanguard of these representatives have already reached Victoria. It was thought that more would arrive and, consequently, large contingents are looked for to-day and to-morrow.

When the congress is assembled here almost every centre of any importance throughout the Dominion will be represented. For the week, starting on the first event upon this city Victoria will be the cynosure of the eyes of all those interested in the cause of the workingman. At every point where there are men who are dependent upon the current issue of mechanics and industry laborers for their daily bread—and everywhere they are in the majority—will be found people interested in the business transacted by those to whom they have entrusted their concerns.

The first event upon the programme for Monday morning is the reading of an address of welcome by G. F. Gray, president of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council. Following that will be the address by Hon. J. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia; Hon. W. Templeman, minister of Inland Revenue, and His Worship Mayor Morley on behalf of the city. Alphonse Verville, M.P.P., of Malton, Ontario, president of the congress, having been escorted to the chair by President Gray, will respond in suitable terms to the welcome extended the trades unionists. Fraternal Delegate Ricketts, representing the American Federation of Labor, will next be called upon for a speech. He will bring greetings from the latter organization. Next to be heard from will be the delegates from various international unions. These preliminaries completed it will be in order to open the regular proceedings.

The detailed programme has not been definitely decided upon. There will be business sessions every day of the week in ordinary with a partner from A. F. McCrimmon. A note in favor of Mr. McCrimmon remained due when the sale of Mr. Rushworth's interest was made.

On the ground that it was feared that Mr. Rushworth was intending to leave the city, a capias was got out against him. This morning R. T. Elliott, appearing for Mr. Rushworth, asked for the discharge of his client on the ground that the necessary money to cover the claim was deposited with the sheriff. Frank Higgins appeared for Mr. McCrimmon and argued against his discharge.

ALL BODIES REMOVED.

David Logan, of Clo-ose, Tells of Transfer of Those Buried From Valencia.

Writing to William Henderson, of the department of public works, David G. Logan, of Clo-ose, says the American cutter Grant called at Darling, and got all but one of the bodies buried there from the wreck of the Valencia. Nine bodies were taken over to the American side. They had been buried just under the drift wood. Two had been dug up by bears, and the bones were lying in the sea.

In a second letter to the department Mr. Logan says there is no truth in the report of a boat and eight bodies being in a cave near Carmanah. The writer states that he was in all the caves in the vicinity, but found no trace of a boat or of any bodies. He pointed out the location of the bodies buried there from the wreck of the Valencia. Nine bodies were taken over to the American side. They had been buried just under the drift wood. Two had been dug up by bears, and the bones were lying in the sea.

VICTORIA'S CHAMBERS.

Visiting Doctors Pronounce It an Ideal Residential City.

Dr. Ballantyne, of Dalkeith, Edinburgh, Scotland, and Dr. Sinclair, of Queen Ann's Gate, Westminster, London, England, who visited the Coast after the convention of the British Medical Association, on their return to Winnipeg gave the following impressions of their trip: "We have no poverty in the West," said the doctors. "The only bare-footed people we saw in all the Western country were some children of wealthy people in Victoria, who were wisely allowing their children to run about in this condition for the sake of bringing them up hardy."

"We noticed that in some of the towns of Canada the ordinary procedure of the world was reversed. That is to say, in the cities of the West the houses are built first, and after the houses have been built and have become crowded for long distances, the telegraph lines, telephone lines and telegraph lines. In a new country you seem to go ahead and build your tram-car lines and erect your telephone poles in a building in the building of the houses later. We remarked this in the growing town of Fort William, at the head of the Great Western, where we were struck with the same thing in other places on the way through the country."

"Barr is very quiet and soothing, an ideal resting place for weary brain workers. The city of Victoria is also the perfect place for the tourist. We were struck with the fact that the time at our disposal was well spent. We visited the parliament buildings and the provincial museum in Victoria, and inspected the wonderful fruit display, as arranged by the provincial authorities."

"Knicker—'How do you prevent your children from getting your seeds?' Bookers—'I have a colored gander.'"—Brooklyn Life.

EXTRA GAZETTE.

Notices in Issue Published Yesterday of Official Organ.

An extra of the British Columbia Gazette was published yesterday. It contains a copy of the proclamation respecting October 18th being appointed a day of general thanksgiving. The following appointments are also noted in the issue: J. R. Brown, of Fairview, to act as a license inspector upon the application of W. B. Hine, of Okanagan Falls, for a license under the "Liquor License Act, 1906."

Lowas Atkinson, of Fernie, to be a license commissioner for the Fernie license district, in the place and stead of A. C. Liphardt, resigned.

Robert Keam Chapman and Charles White, of the city of Vancouver, to be notaries public in and for the province of British Columbia. James Anderson, of the city of Kaslo, to be a police magistrate for the city of Kaslo, attending magistrate for the county of Kootenay, and to hold Small Debts courts in and for the Alsworth mining division, including the city of Kaslo.

Hugh Smythe, of Revelstoke, to be a justice of the peace for the Revelstoke electoral district. John Raymond, Jr., of Esquimalt, to be a deputy game warden for the Esquimalt electoral district. Herbert Cecil Hewitt, of Port Simpson, to be a government agent, registrar under the "Marriage Act"; and registrar of voters for the Skeena electoral district, assistant commissioner of lands and works, district registrar of births, deaths and marriages, gold commissioner and mining recorder for the Skeena river mining division; and collector of revenue tax for the Victoria assessment district, from the 2nd day of September, 1906, during the absence of John Flewin, government agent.

The following persons to be commissioners for taking affidavits in the Supreme court for the purpose of acting under the "Provincial Elections Act" in the electoral districts in which they reside: Vancouver city district: Geo. A. Skeffington, Archie Robinson, Daniel E. Hyndman, James Eadie, George E. Tupper, John B. Tiffin, William Towler and James Vick, all of the city of Vancouver.

IN COUNTY COURT.

Case Argued Before Judge Lappman To-day Respecting Arrest of Alfred Rushworth.

In County court this morning before Judge Lappman an application was heard with respect to the arrest of Alfred Rushworth, a partner in the business of the defendant, Rushworth, having sold out his interest in the Victoria Steam Laundry to August Dolpel. Mr. Rushworth purchased the business in company with a partner from A. F. McCrimmon. A note in favor of Mr. McCrimmon remained due when the sale of Mr. Rushworth's interest was made.

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"Some method like this might enable British Columbia to secure this desirable class of immigration. Of course I do not advise on the subject, but it can be easily seen that a cost of about \$90 for each person, from Europe to Victoria, practically prohibits a poor man with a family reaching this province. There are large numbers of people coming to Canada. During the last fiscal year the total was over 190,000; this year should see the quarter million mark passed."

This morning Mr. Scott visited the outer wharf, accompanied by Dr. G. L. Logan, and was there again this afternoon with Hon. Wm. Templeman. It is expected the site for the new detention hospital will be fixed, and arrangements made for its construction as soon as possible.

Work on this coast Mr. Scott will look thoroughly into immigration matters and make recommendations thereon immediately after he returns to Ottawa. The matter of the great influx of Hindus has been repeatedly brought to his notice—in fact it was one of the chief objects of his visit—but he cannot discuss or give his views on the subject until his report has been handed in to the government. He pointed out the fact that the immigration of the recent arrivals prove undesirable citizens they could be deported at any time within two years after reaching Canada.

REMARKABLE ESCAPE.

Of Engineer and Fireman in Accident on E. & N. Railway This Morning.

This morning an accident occurred on the E. & N. railway which might have proved a fatal to two individuals. Shortly after the regular train left Victoria the yard engine No. 8, in charge of Engineer Austin and Fireman Wilson, started for Wellington. While running between the 13 and 14 mile post, in the neighborhood of Saanich Inlet, the engine jumped the track. It turned completely over and landed on its side. The two men were thrown out with the first shock. They landed clear of the wreck in a truly remarkable way and escaped with a few injuries. Austin had his face cut and his shoulder hurt, while Wilson's back was severely bruised. The noon train was delayed for half an hour at the scene of the mishap while the track was repaired.

JEALOUS WOMAN'S CRIME.

A Terrible Tragedy Marred the recent wedding of a young and beautiful wife of near Messina, Sicily.

The bride had just returned from church, and the bride had left the room for a moment to see her children by a former marriage, when a loud shriek was heard. The bridegroom ran upstairs, followed by the guests, and found his wife unconscious on the floor. The two children, a boy and a girl, appeared to be playing, but closer examination showed that they were both dead, their throats having been cut and the bodies placed in a natural position. A former sweetheart of the bridegroom was arrested, and confessed that jealous hatred of the woman who had robbed her of her lover had driven her to kill the children. It is feared that the mother will lose her reason.

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THE DETENTION HOSPITAL SITE

WILL BE FIXED DURING VISIT OF W. D. SCOTT

Commissioner of Immigration in City—Points Out Difficulties of Populating Province.

(From Friday's Daily.)
W. D. Scott, Dominion commissioner of immigration, arrived in Victoria last night. While here he will investigate conditions regarding his department paying special attention to the increasing number of Hindus arriving in this province. Seen to-day he said: "Hindus are on exactly the same basis as any other class of immigrants. The immigration officers here and in Vancouver have been fully instructed in their duties, and have power to prevent any infraction of the Immigration Act."

"What you want, however, in British Columbia, as in other parts of Canada, are immigrants from Great Britain and the northern countries of Europe. The great distance from the Atlantic to this province is the drawback. A railroad rate of \$2 from the Atlantic to the Pacific is prohibitive to the average person entering the country. For instance, on the first two boats arriving this season, there were 2,000 people. They averaged less than two dollars each in cash. It was possible to land them in Ontario and find them positions at a cost not exceeding five dollars, but their reaching British Columbia was out of the question.

"Although there is a scarcity of labor in this province, it is not worse off than the others. I think conditions in Ontario are less favorable to the farmers who are at their wits ends for help. This can only be cured by immigration. In this connection the Salvation Army is doing good work. It chartered the Kensington for two or three trips this spring, and brought out a large number of people in charge of its officers, and looked after them until they obtained suitable situations.

"But the best feature of the Salvation Army's work is the manner in which it assists the best class of immigrants—men with wives and families. The organization mentioned first brings out the father and gives him a chance to 'make good' in Canada. Suppose he came over this summer; by next spring he should be in a position to receive his family, although probably not having enough money to pay their fares. This is where the Salvation Army steps in. By means of its officers in every little town it is able to find out if the man has proved himself worthy of help—whether he has turned out steady and likely to prove a good citizen. If so, it advances the money to pay the fares of the man's wife and family, and collects it from him in weekly instalments of a few dollars.

SKELETON HOLDS BARROW.

Tacoma Diver Makes Discovery While Working at Bottom of the Bay.

Tacoma, Sept. 12.—Frank Clark, the diver recovering the concentrates lost a month ago by the collapse of a dock at the Tacoma smelter, has found a skeleton of a man at the bottom of the bay holding to the handles of a wheelbarrow.

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Attorneys Will Make Another Attempt to Secure the Release of Steve Adams.

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THE FORESTERS.

Dr. Oronkatekha Gives Evidence Before the Insurance Commission.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 14.—The insurance commission yesterday afternoon examined officials of the Independent Order of Foresters.

Dr. Oronkatekha gave in detail the various sources from which the Supreme court derived its funds. He stated that the revision of rates in 1898 which went into effect in 1899 was made on a basis of expectation of loss of members. The revenues were banked as soon as received. The general fund was composed of the extension of order tax, charter fees, registration fees and profits from sale of supplies. The Supreme Court Chief said that owing to the rapid extension of the Order into other provinces and into the United States under its Ontario incorporation, they were advised to obtain Dominion incorporation. They had nothing to invest for which they could not find employment in securities authorized by the Ontario act, but Dominion legislation is sought because of the prestige which it would give the Order. The proposition was opposed most fiercely by the old line insurance companies on the ground of the inadequacy of rates charged by the Order.

VISITED ROSSLAND.

Members of Spokane Chamber of Commerce Inspected the Mines.

Rossland, B. C., Sept. 14.—The members of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce after visiting Grand Forks and Phoenix arrived here to-day. The four long coaches were awkward to handle on the sharp curves in the vicinity of the Big Four and this caused some delay. The members to the number of 25 were escorted to breakfast at the Hotel Rossland, and then to the mines. After breakfast some strolled around town, some visited the works of the mines, while a majority descended into the mines, going down into the deep levels. Nearly all brought to the surface specimens of ore. At 1 o'clock luncheon was served in the armory, where covers were laid for 205. Acting Mayor Martin, in the absence of His Worship, P. R. McDonald, presided, at 3 o'clock the party entered for Northport. As the train moved out, three times three cheers were given for the visitors by a large number of Rosslanders assembled at the station to see them off.

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DEFINITE ACTION ON WATER

COMMITTEE'S REPORT FINAL

By Majority of Council Mayor's Scheme Meeting Th

(From Wednesday)

At last the water vanced a full step in settlement.

The regular meeting held last evening development of exceptional water committee progressive leadership of art and Fell, and working majority, of hand of Mayor Morl porters and used the limit. Upon met that the Mayor's scheme suit is that