

ADVOCATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO ASSUME CHARGE OF VICTORIA HARBOR

A Motion Along This Line Discussed by the Voters' League—Other Business Before Meeting.

The Voters' League held its regular meeting on Tuesday at the city hall, when T. C. Sorby's motion...

Noah Shakespeare was voted to the chair unanimously. Secretary Morley occupied his usual post...

That, as voters and citizens, it is our duty to consider in a reasonable business-like manner the various proposals...

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The Imperial Pacific Railway Company was incorporated with power to construct a railway from Victoria to Seymour Narrows...

Next in importance to the Yellow Head, Bute Inlet and Seymour Narrows line comes the Const-Kootenay railway...

The Kitimat and Hazelton Railway Company has a subsidy of \$5,000 per mile for 65 miles for a railway to connect the places...

There are other railways to which subsidies are promised, of which time will not permit of special mention...

At the next meeting of this league I will move as follows: Whereas the city of Victoria has given notice that it intends to apply for a special charter...

Mr. Sorby said the council had abandoned the idea of applying for a city charter. Mr. Grant had not seen a public announcement to this effect...

The committee appointed to offer suggestions for city reforms submitted the following report: Gentlemen:—In pursuance of request, your committee appointed to prepare a suggestive report on the question of reform in municipal management...

heads, each of whom should be held responsible for their respective departments, and subject to the supervision of the chief engineer...

The city engineer would be entrusted with and held responsible for all public works and the supervision of the same...

The duties of auditor should either be performed by a government official or two independent persons elected by vote of the people...

The major and aldermen being duly elected by the vote of the people, their duties should be of a directorial character, being divided into committees for the better carrying out of their work...

Although other matters of detail might be enumerated, yet your committee considered that the leading features have been touched upon in the foregoing remarks...

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more harbor accommodation than trade. Harbors would not make trade. The ocean docks were sufficient for the accommodation of all ocean liners that touched here...

Mr. Laird pointed out that the citizens of Victoria as ratepayers would not have to pay a cent under the present proposal. He contended that the largest steamer agent could turn in Victoria's harbor...

Mr. Sorby's motion was then put, and carried unanimously. The following delegation was appointed: Messrs. Redfern, Moberly, Grant, Laird and Sorby.

The meeting then adjourned. THE MILL BUILT SHELTER. J. A. Manly on Works to Be Carried Out in Boundary—Railway Possibilities.

John A. Manly, of Grand Forks, has returned from a trip East. He announces that he has been successful in interesting Chicago and Kansas City capitalists here subscribed all the money required for the erection of a 2,000 ton smelter at Grand Forks...

Our plans are already matured, but several years will be occupied in their realization. Chicago and Kansas City capitalists here subscribed all the money required for the erection of a 2,000 ton smelter at Grand Forks...

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TRAVELLERS TOOK SICK ON THE TRAIL

VICTORIAN TELLS OF HARD TRIP OVERLAND

A. J. Morris, Representing J. Piercy & Co. of This City, Home From Dawson.

A stage journey with the thermometer registering 75 degrees below zero and in company with a party who, in a few instances, took so violently sick that they were unable to complete their travels...

Mr. Morris says that he has had a very successful trip, his collections this year being just double those of a year ago. On his return, he had a very good trip, the weather having been during the greater part of the time.

Mr. Morris reports that much interest is centering in Dawson on the newly discovered gold fields on Duncan creek. The Territory has attracted considerable attention, but many were placing more confidence in the Duncan creek country.

A few days before Mr. Morris left Dawson a party of five men were in progress, the steamer Thistle, owned and operated by the Merchants' line, broke loose from her moorings at the foot of Lake La Barge and was swept down the river...

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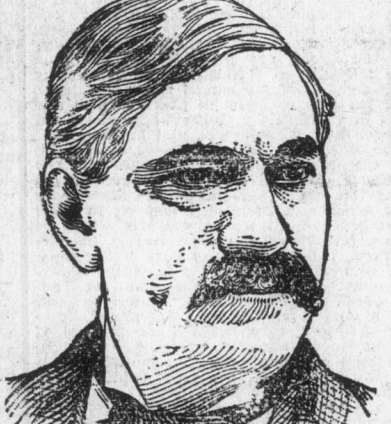
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CATARRH THIRTY YEARS.

The Remarkable Experience of a Prominent Statesman—Congressman Meekison Gives Pe-ru-na a High Endorsement.



Congressman Meekison of Ohio.

Hon. David Meekison is well known not only in his own State, but throughout America. He was elected to the Fifty-fifth Congress by a very large majority, and is the acknowledged leader of his party in his section of the State.

Only one flaw marred the otherwise complete success of this illustrious statesman. Catarrh with its insidious approach and tenacious grasp, was his only unconquerable foe. For thirty years he waged unsuccessful warfare against this personal enemy. At last Peru-na came to the rescue. He writes: "I have used several bottles of Peru-na and I feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head. I feel encouraged to believe that if I use it a short time longer I will be fully able to eradicate the disease of thirty years' standing."—David Meekison, Member of Congress.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peru-na, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis. Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

HOWARD'S REPLY TO DEMANDS OF MINERS

Fuel Oil Is Still a Formidable Rival of Coal in San Francisco.

As stated in Monday's Times President Howard, of the Western Fuel Company, has sent to the Nanaimo Miners' Union a statement representing the stand which his company takes upon the questions involved. In this he says: "The Western Fuel Company grew out of the changed conditions of the coal business in California. Crude oil has been developed far in excess of the demand that could be created for it, and it was and is being forced upon the market at prices that are ruinous to most of the producers. It has displaced coal as a fuel in nearly every steam generating plant in California, and it is a strong bidder for the trade of the steam vessels. The strongest corporation in the world is now slowly concentrating in its own hands the bulk of the marketable fuel oil, and with tankage to store millions of barrels it stands ready to contract for the delivery of large quantities to responsible consumers. Crude oil has absorbed the trade of nearly all the gas companies in the state; to-day there are only three concerns manufacturing gas by the use of coal, and these employ apparatus imported from Wales."

Under these circumstances the selling price of gas has been reduced to 50 cents per thousand feet. "The result for many reasons, such as economy, cleanliness, etc., thousands of gas stoves have been introduced into households that heretofore were consumers of coal. It was these conditions and the forward outlook that impelled the owners of the Nanaimo mines to sell their property, and it was these conditions that created the necessity for the Western Fuel Company, which through the purchase of several concerns, expect by concentrating the efforts of all in the marketing of one product to control sufficient trade to fully employ the mines at Nanaimo. Every contract made for the purchase and sale of imported coal contains a printed stipulation that any change in the existing rate of duty shall be for or against the buyer. This is to protect the seller against an increase in the rate of duty, as was the case under the Dingley Tariff Bill adopted four years since. It also protects a buyer in the event of the lowering of the duty, as in the present instance. Australian coal, which excelled that of Vancouver Island, is pointed out, could be landed in San Francisco at from \$4 to \$4.25 a ton.

Going into the matters in dispute the statement points out that the introduction of the Wolfe safety lamp would do away with any disadvantage under which the miners suffered. It was not usual to make a special allowance for the use of safety lamps. On the question of the lower seam working it is stated that work was resumed on it simply to provide work for men thrown out of employment by the exhausting of No. 5 mine. The increase to \$1 a ton for mining this coal would result in a loss.

Concerning the demand for an increase in the wages, it is pointed out that under an agreement in force between the former owners and the men no strike is to be declared until every other method of conciliation is exhausted, and that thirty days' notice is to be given before the agreement under which they work can be terminated. A copy of the following letter was incorporated in the statement which was sent by B. P. Schwerin, manager of the

Nanaimo, Feb. 25.—The mining situation improved somewhat this morning. Dodgers were posted around town this afternoon calling a mass meeting of miners in the opera house at 3 o'clock, when it is expected a settlement of the difficulty will be effected. It is understood the management of the Western Fuel Company made a proposition to the executive this morning, and the latter will, it is expected, re-visit the mine about the 1st inst. The meeting this afternoon. Everybody now looks for a speedy termination of the trouble, and in all probability coal will be coming out of the mines and waiting colliers taking cargo in a day or two.

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Cyrus H. Bowes, CHEMIST, 88 Government St., Near Yates St. TELEPHONE 423. NOTICE. Thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on 640 acres of land situated on the north side of Quatsino Sound, commencing at a post on the beach marked 7, Lawson, S. E. Corner, and running thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, back to the initial post, comprising 640 acres more or less.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that 60 (sixty) days from date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post on the beach marked "M. J. S. N. W. Corner," thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains to the shore line of Work's Canal, thence north along the shore line to point of commencement, containing 180 acres more or less. MOSES JOHNSON, Port Simpson, B. C. January 29th, 1903.

PRINTING PRESS FOR SALE.—The Gotland Press, on which the Daily Times is printed for several years. The bed is 22 inches wide and the press is 22 inches high. It is in first-class condition, and is suitable for small daily or weekly offices. It cost \$1,200, will be sold for \$750. FRUIT TREES, ETC.—New catalogue, post free. Mr. Toimie Nursey, Victoria, B.C.

\$1.00 PER ANY ADDR VOL. 34. SEMLIN RETU FOR HAS GOOD MAJO OVER H The Places Yet to Be Probably Increase The Figu Ashcroft, Feb. 27.—W day once more showed C. A. Semlin here placed sent the riding in the At the present writing it is 75, with McCu Creech and Princeton to ponies as confidently Semlin's supporters to jority to a hundred. Th be about seventy votes these places. In Ashcroft intense to prevail early in the morning estimate of fre was incorrect and that break almost even. W suit, giving Mr. Semlin four, was announced right for a short time from other railway, s speedily, and before s and Cutler, the supp of the government, were the figures here placed elected beyond that m money will change hand Dr. Sanson develop strength in Ashcroft, al the stronger man no were mentioned as pos candidates. He owes i any want of personal p the fact that the govt Leavy a load to carry, the vote so far in shi dict is one that refle all parts of the ridin result of a large majo point. The revised figu low: Ashcroft Keefe Lytton Nelson Yule Hope Spuzzum Lower Nicola Cutler Total There were two spoils croft, one at Lytton and FIVE MURD Victims Were All Wom Them His Feat Hamilton, Ohio, Feb. news, the victims of wh men, and two of them h revolting record of Albe to-day in a sworn co Meyer Bosch, Knapp, a police, is a detective. The murder of Annie Goddard Knapp, arrest yesterday at In done for no apparent r TWO SUICID Miles City, Mont. Takala, of Duluth, Minn on a through train betw this place. Another suicide was mussen, who cut his thr in the Northern Pacifi died in a fit of remorse some poetry before killin of a wasted life.