

STOCK SHOW WILL OPEN TO-MORROW

WILL BE BIGGEST EVER HELD IN THE WEST

Seventeen Thousand Spectators Witnessed Lacrosse Match at the Royal City.

New Westminster, Sept. 29.—Fine weather favored the Dominion exhibition for "Victoria Day" yesterday, and there was a great improvement in the attendance.

Some industrial exhibits, belated by heavy traffic on railroads and steamers, came to hand yesterday, and there is not an inch of space wasted in any of the big buildings.

Of course, the delay in placing some of the exhibits retarded judging, but this is now fairly under way.

The fruit exhibits are proving an eye opener. The entire upper flat of the old main building is taken up with fruit. It is most excellent throughout.

He has yet to see some apples which William Fortune is bringing from his Transquid orchard, as big as the one which secured his fame at the World's Fair in Chicago.

An official opinion which is worth consulting is the comment by W. H. Hay, of Ottawa, in charge of the exhibition branch of the Department of Agriculture.

In the matter of attractions, the horse races, balloon ascensions, the Irish Guards band and broncho busting gave general satisfaction.

The electrical display is most attractive at night. Never in this province has there been anything nearly as brilliant.

The lacrosse match, an account of which appears in another column, was the main feature Saturday and overshadowed everything else.

The Capitals have arrived, hence considerable criticism. Some of them saw the match. They didn't like the idea of both men being ruled off when one retaliates.

tion upon which a Dominion exhibition was held west of Winnipeg. It is a silver medal, No. 1, of the 1900, which has been struck to commemorate the occasion.

In the art division one of the noticeable exhibits is a collection of miniatures on porcelain, exquisite work by E. J. Evers, of Victoria.

The Westminster city council has declared two half holidays for this week, Monday and Thursday.

This evening a meeting will be held under the patronage of the Literary Society, to listen to an address, illustrated by stereopticon views by Deputy Commissioner of Forestry Stewart, of Ottawa.

Simis, Sept. 30.—The departure of Lord and Lady Curzon has been postponed, as King Edward desires the Victoria to remain and officially welcome the Prince and Princess of Wales.

According to the Western Herald, of Suva, Fiji Islands, copies of which arrived by the steamer Mlowera on Thursday, R. B. Powell, formerly of Victoria, captured the lawn tennis championship without difficulty.

When the city council took the library off the hands of the contractor in the early part of the year it was decided that it would not be opened until after July 1. In this way only half the requisite vote for maintenance was required to be expended this year.

Already the furniture has been provided for, and the tables are in place. Some of the chairs and other fixtures are until they reach years when they can enter these will not have to be replaced, and there will thus be a larger sum proportionately available for the purchase of books than there is this year.

The new library is sufficient to meet the demands of this city for many years to come. The building is substantially constructed, and the appearance from the outside is quite imposing.

Beginning next week the new public library will be thrown open to the citizens. It will be some little time before it will be possible to issue books, but the library will be open for inspection.

A number of new books are now on their way. The commissioners will also utilize some of those which have been in use in the old library. There is, however, a large proportion of the books now doing service in the public library which it will be impossible to transfer to the new building.

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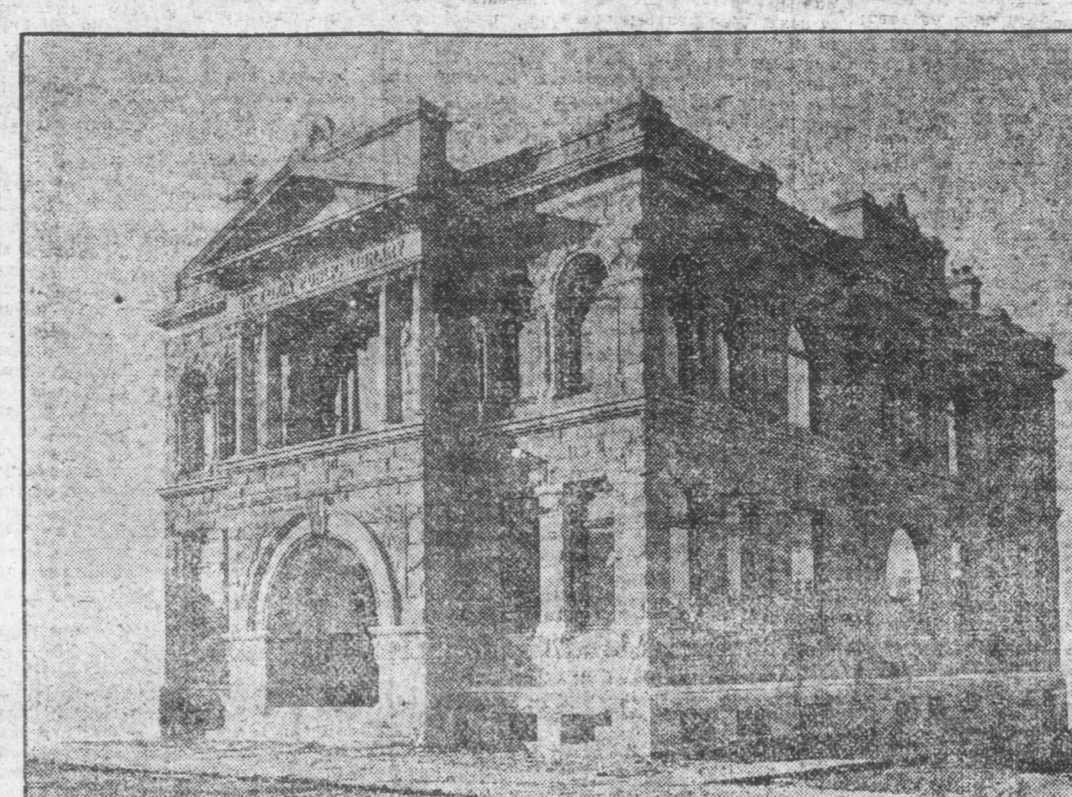
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RAILWAY TUNNEL TRAGEDY.

Mystery Surrounding Death of Miss Mooney Remains Unsolved.

London, Sept. 30.—Though nearly a week has passed since the body of Miss Mary Mooney, of Clapham Junction, was found in the Mersham tunnel, the London and Southwestern road, the mystery of her death remains unsolved.

The outrage, however, has served to start a crusade against the continued use of the cell-like compartment cars on the British railroads, and at least one road is said to have countermanded a large order for old type cars in consequence of the crusade.

Sir Conan Doyle was asked in his capacity of Sherlock Holmes to give his opinion of the tunnel tragedy. He declined, but warmly denounced the present style of cars and lack of protection for women travelling alone.

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Edmonton, Alta., Sept. 30.—Charles King paid the full penalty of the law this morning for the murder of Hayward at Lesser Slave Lake in September, 1904. King went up to the scaffold unassisted and quite unshaken.

He ate a hearty breakfast and when the clergy knocked announcing he had come to the scaffold, he said: "I do not regret what you are hanging me for. I am an innocent man, God knows I am an innocent man. Then Father Jan repeated the Lord's prayer and King responded without a quiver.

Has Apologized. Montreal, Sept. 29.—The Toronto World's city council for the criticism of some of its members regarding the Montreal Gas Company's franchise. The apology was brought about through a threatened action for libel by Alexander L. A. Lapointe and Louis Payette.

Ingersoll Murder. Ingersoll, Ont., Sept. 30.—George Dennis, George Hartell, Erwin, Ben, Bower and Thomas Wilson, all of Ingersoll, and John Campbell, a farm laborer, who has resided about two miles south of Ingersoll, have been arrested in connection with the murder of L. Wright, whose body was found in the river yesterday. All the prisoners have been remanded until Friday.

Russian Penalties. Toronto, Sept. 29.—Serge Government, former owner of the Novik, a newspaper of Port Arthur, Manitoba, a well-dressed Russian about 25 years of age, is stranded at the Palmer house here with a cent in his pocket and a loss of \$800 which passed from him in a card game with sick gentlemen he met on the steamer Baltic, on which Governor was travelling to New York.

Reciprocity. Toronto, Sept. 30.—At the banquet at the King Edward hotel last night the National Association of Agricultural Implement and Vehicle Manufacturers of the United States, who came here at the conclusion of their twenty-third convention at Niagara Falls, N. Y., W. E. George, former president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, who was in the chair, said the people of Canada were actuated by the same determination to try and achieve their proper destiny as the people of the United States had been.

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Winnipeg Clearings. Winnipeg, Sept. 30.—The bank clearings for the month of September were \$28,703,890. In the same month last year the clearing were \$20,415,695, and in 1908, \$18,950,258.

DIED. DAYNORD—On the 30th inst., at 2 Herald street, Sarah Samantha Gilmour, of Pictou, Ont., aged 71, daughter of Peter and Charlotte Daynard of Pictou, Ont.

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