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V. C. SAUGSTADT DEAD.

esident of the Bella Coola Colony s to the Last Great Bourne. eamer Boscowitz, which arrived

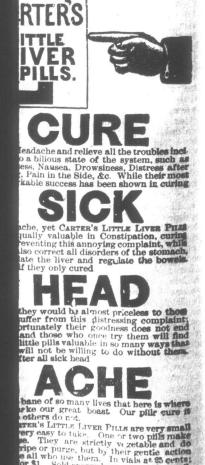
evening, brings from Bella e sad news of the death of the nd pastor of the colony, Rev. The deceased, as will nbered, was in this city towards r end of February, arriving here 27th of that month. He came the purpose of buying stock and ery for the colony, and after he cluded his business left on the itz for his home at Bella Coola ch 10th. He contracted a seduring his stay in this city, here consulted Dr. H. E. Elbrought him around sufficientow him to start for home on the t. He stood the trip up well, and at Bella Coola on the 16th inst., landing at the colony walked the wharf superintending the of his freight. He took up as well as a lot of general mera team of horses, two cows es, and the machinery for a which he, aided by Mr. Hant., his death, which took place he seemed to be a very sick nis arrival at Bella Coola on sed to erect this spring.

ne at the colony on the followwas entirely unexpected and ere blow to not only his fam leceased leaves a large family m. but to the entire colony: and the efforts by which he had in building up the settlement. loving husband and a father his family were justly entitled ud. He was, in fact, admired who came in contact with him. late Mr. Saugstadt's family married and living at difnts in the East, while four two girls live with their mothlla Coola. The deceased gentleborn in Norway, but he had most of his life in America the last twenty-five years he had nister of the Lutheran church. ted the northern settlement f late had made his home and died on the 17th inst. in Oc-894, when he led a band of to that colony. The late Mr. was one of the hardest workm all; there was nothing too him to accomplish for his bey. He ministered to his comadvised them, and aided them way that was in his power unthe fell reaper gathered him ent to his reward. The set-Bella Coola will exceedingly rewell as all who knew him-the which by his death has be-

RER BUTLER CONFESSES Killed a Soldier at Walla Walla Ten Years Ago.

ncisco. March 24.-Murderer itler, the prisoner of many lunteered a queer confession claring and endeavoring to t ten years ago he killed a lier at Walla Walla, Wash. Butler has stoutly denied pital crimes charged to him; anxious to show that he is a that his crime was comsoil of the United States. considered that within a utler is to sail for Her Mawhere the justice meted rderers is stern and swift, it It to understand why he to a crime in the United if he had not committed it. in was made to a Chronand was related by Butler mestness that might have cing in the absence of inending to disprove his statehe authorities place no credstory.

Harris returned yesterday from



CARTER MEDICINE CO., New York.

Il Pill. Small Dose.

House, at Premier's Suggestion, Refuses a Railway Company's Petition.

he Speaker Refers to the Very Slow Progress Made by the Legislature.

Amendments on Report of Committee Thursday, March 25, 1897.

unacy Bill Receives Some Important

aker took the chair at two Prayers by Rev. R. W. Trot-

REPORTS. Mutter presented a report of the ling committee on printing. ithet presented the seventh rethe railway committee. The bmitted the bills of the Yung & Transportation Co.; Bed-Nelson Railway Co.; Barkerroft & Cariboo Railway Co.,

MR. RIDGEWAY WILSON. Mr. Kennedy moved and Mr. Macseconded that an order of the granted for a return of any nce regarding the employ-Mr. W. Ridgeway Wilson to estimate of an extension rethe lunatic asylum building at Mr. Kennedy said architect who superintended rovements at the asylum last acquainted with the plan of and could easily have been undertake the work required tion with the extension. The

then carried. ALIEN LABOR BILL. use went into committee with utter in the chair to consider as' Alien Labor Act. en objected to the title. The sed, would prevent capital ing into the country. It was to discriminate against mers as against Chinese. nedy could not see how Mr. igners as Germans or Norwe-The latter became citizens

country of its wealth and and could not become useful Bryden said that the Being who the citizens of this country also Chinese and they should not nated against.

ntry and assimilated with the

1 then passed. repherson moved to amend making the act apply to all ts to be passed this session, as the private acts hereafter

Sword thought it would be wiser make the act retroactive.

ture sessions for amendment. clause which Mr. Macpherson question of the practice of the Small to insert in the Lillooet, Fra- Debts Act, and the answers from the Cariboo Gold Fields Co.'s judge of the Small Debts Court.

alkem, Mr. Forster and Mr. protested against All companies should be he same footing. Dr. Walkthat Mr. Williams was movndment because he did not Lillooet, Fraser River Co. to the Alien Labor Act.

ng the privileges granted to during previous sessions. em-If Mr. Williams had rethe house last session instead to the lobby the Chinese li have been inserted in the caser River & Cariboo Co.'s

liment was then put and Mutter declared the amendrs. Martin, Turner and Poo-The amendment, protested. was carried. was again taken and Major

ared the vote was 12 for and

Pooley-There are 26 mem-Mutter-I declare the amend-

the amendment.

mbers of the government again whole of the year. saying that there were 26

ember was Mr. Helmcken. ictoria vote?

amendment. lost in the meantime. s taken and the chairman de- he

Mutter (emphatically)—I am tition on a division. and I have declared the

neken introduced an amend-The amendment passed with-

and preamble were amended adopted. Japanese and the committee borted the bill complete with

Amendments were inserted the full Dr. Walkem moved the following in-

as to the killing of game is the prohibition to sell at certain seasons. The principal amendment in Mr. Graham's bill year. It is of more importance to conserve the game of the province than nany members evidently suppose. Many of the men who came here to hunt big game invested their money in mines. Hon. Mr. Eherts would have pleasure n supporting the second reading. The members were prone to consider the proection of the game with too much lev-

The game act of to-day required amendment. Mr. Booth said he would oppose any bill that required him to raise deer for some one else to shoot. Major Mutter supported the bill and

the second reading was agreed to. MORTGAGE TAX. Dr. V. alkem closed the debate on his for maintenance of patients instead of long deferred resolution "That in the being styled "father or mother, husopinion of the house a tax upon mort-

the different members of the commun-The motion carried on a vote of 20 to 4. Hon. Messrs. Pooley and Eberts were among those who voted for the re-Hon. Messrs. Turner Martin, Mr. Rithet and Mr. Stoddart

voted against the resolution.

WATER CLAUSES. The house then went into committee with Dr. Walkem in the chair to consider the Water Clauses bill. Section 117 was reached and then the commit- Act, 1897," shall apply to any privileges tee reported progress.

NOTICE OF MOTION. Mr. Smith-In committee on the Farmers' Institute bill, to move that "No Chinese or Japanese person shall it for revision. be employed by any member of a Farmers' Institute formed under the provisions of this act, nor in the construction, operation and maintenance of any undertaking hereby authorized, under the penalty of \$5 per day for each and every Chinese or Japanese person emcompare Chinese with ployed in contravention of this section, to be recovered upon complaint of any person under the provisions of the 'Summary Convictions Act, 1889,' and amending acts." people, but the Chinese

By Dr. Walkem-For a return of a copy of the report of the auditor of the books of the land registry office, Vic-

By Mr. Hume-To add as a new section to the Lardeau Railway bill, "All await the result of Mr. Adams' bill. provisions of the British Columbia act shall apply to the company.' By Mr. Hume-To add to the Lar-"The Vancouver Island Telegraph Reg-

telegraph and telephone lines constructivate acts this session than en- shall be operative in relation thereto." | gress. By Mr. McGregor-For copies of a Macpherson's amendment then resolution passed by the corporation of way bill, on motion of Mr. Helmcken, ffect that the Alien Act will not lice and stipendiary magistrate; of the a second time. e sessions for amendment. the charge laid by Rev. D. A. McRae considered in committee with Mr. Cotams was heartly in accord against Chief of Police Crossan and ton in the chair. After passing one Alien Act, but it might be car- Constable Thompson; of the resolution He did not intend to vote passed by the Nanaimo police commismaranteed at previous sessions. complaint of Craig Bros. and of W. reason he voted against an anti- Ross, of Nanaimo, with reference to the

Friday, March 26, 1897.

The speaker took the chair at two o'clock; prayers by Rev. Mr. Stackhouse.

PETITION NOT WANTED. Mr. Booth presented a petition from H. C. Beeton, Adolph Drucker and C. ams denied that he was act-g company, but he did object Billinghurst, of Victoria, showing that the petitioners were desirous of being incorporated as a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia between 134 and 136 degrees of longitude at the head of Lynn canal to Fort Rupert in the Northwest Territories. The petitioners asked for an act incorporating them into a company.

Hon. Mr. Turner remarked that the house ought to arrive at some decision as to what was to be done with petitions coming in long after the time limit had expired. He was intimately connected with one of the petitioners—or had been at one time—but at the same time he felt that if the house was going to allow petitions to come in at this late date they would be kept there the

The speaker stated that the members in the house and only 25 voted. should not close the door on what would Mutter again declared the probably be a useful public work. The ment lost and Hon. Mr. Pooley blame for the lengthy session could not that all the members should be charged to those sending in petitions. The fault lay with the legislathen announced that the non- ture. If the business had been expeditiously conducted, they could all have an Mutter-How does the mem- been away home two weeks ago. The Quebec legislature terminated its busimeken-I will vote for the ness in seven weeks, which included one week's holidays. The Quebec legislature Mutter-I declare the also got through a tremendous amount of work, but it did not waste time, and Pooley again objected. There it held night sessions from the start.

amendment and 13 The gentlemen who were the petitioners should not be treated differently from Mutter-Well, I declare the others applying for charters. Dr. Walkem agreed with the speaker. then moved another amend- If the railway which the petitioners inar to that of Mr. Williams, tended to build was of public interest was willing to remain two weeks amendment lost. The mem- longer. The personal convenience of the government and Mr. Rithet, members should not influence them in

assisted that the amendment throwing out the petition. The house refused to receive the pe-

EXTENSION OF TIME. Mr. Booth presented a report from the The amendment passed with-other's week's extension of time for reporting private bills. The report was

LUNACY BILL. The Lunacy bill coming up for third

of his "game act." He said when the in which the patient is detained shall of the introduction of such petition. game act was up for consideration last not sign the medical certificate admit-session it met with but scant courtesy, ting the patient.

organized sections" were permitted to under the age of twenty-one years kill game for their own use and the use and has a father or a mother age to of their families, which practically repay for his maintenance, or a guardian stricted the killing to farmers or preemptors. Last year the words "in un medical superintendent to send a copy rganized sections' were struck out. of the order and certificates, attested The act consequently stood that "set under his hand and that of the clerk of tlers can kill." The word "settlers" is such public hospital for insane, to the very broad one. It would in fact in father and mother, guardian or commitclude every one coming into British Co. tee (as the case may be) of the lunatic, lumbia, so that now the only restriction to which copy the said medical superintendent and clerk shall subscribe a certificate of the admission of the lunatic. and of the amount which will become to reinsert the words struck out last due for him each month to the hospital, by the regulations of the hospital for insane made in that behalf, and the medical superintendent shall at once render an account to the father, mother guardian or committee (as the case may be) so liable for the maintenance and clothing of the patient, from the date of his admission into such hospital for in sane; and such person or persons shall be notified that the patient will be made | Companies Which Have Been Forma private patient, and that he or they must provide a bond in form M in the schedule of this act for the future main tenance of the patient in the hospital for insane." This section was adopted. Mr. Williams also moved an amendment to the effect that those who pay Two Victoria Companies Included in

band, wife, guardian or committee gages is one which bears unduly upon shall be known as "person, guardian or committee liable to pay for such patient's maintenance.' The report as amended was adopted

> Monday next. WATER CLAUSES. The house went into committee with Dr. Walkem in the chair for the purpose

> further considering the Water Clauses bill. Mr. Forster moved as a new section that the provisions of the "Alien Labor acquired under sections 3 and 4 of this As the clause, in the opinion of the house, was not properly drawn, Mr. Forster was granted leave to withdraw

Clause 134 was reached and then the committee rose and reported progress. PRIVATE BILLS.

The house went into committee with Mr. Macgregor in the chair to consider pherson stated that he would move the anti-Chinese clause on report unless Mr. Adams' Alien Labor bill passed. The committee rose and reported the bill complete with amendments.

The house again went into committee with Mr. Adams in the chair to consider the Nanaimo-Alberni Railway Company's bill. All the clauses were quickly passed, but at the suggestion of Mr. Macgregor the committee rose to

The Stickeen and Teslin Railway Act Railway Act except as barred by this was considered in committee, Mr. Sword in the chair. All the sections were pass ed and the committee rose and reported deau Railway bill as a new section: progress. The house also went into "The Vancouver Island Telegraph Reg-committee on the Kaslo and Lardoulations act shall extend and apply to Duncan bill with Mr. Kidd in the chair, and after considering several clauses the anti-Chinese clause in each ed under the authority of this act and the committee rose and reported pro-The Vancouver and Lulu Island Rail-

Nanaimo with reference to the question and the Cariboo Railway Company's Fisher Maiden Consolidated Min-Williams moved an amendment of the dismissal of J. H. Simpson, po- bill, on motion of Mr. Rogers, were read en acts previously passed come evidence taken at the police inquiry on The Rural Liquor License bill was

section the committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. ALIEN LABOR BILL. Mr. Adams said he had been requested

o ask for a postponement of the committee's report on the Alien Labor bill until Monday. The house, however, insisted on the adoption of the report. It was carried and the third reading fixed for Monday.

THE ESTIMATES.

Hon. Mr. Turner brought down a message from the Lieutenant-Governor ransmitting the estimates. They will e considered by the committee of supoly on Tuesday next. Mr. Semlin said Mr. Turner had promised to make his railway policy ublic a week ago. Hon. Mr. Turner replied that delay arose because he was anxious to make

the government's railway policy so perfect that even the leader of the opposition could not object to it. ANSWERS. Mr. Williams asked: 1. What method is adopted by the

government for ascertaining the quantity of timber cut subject to royalty? 2. What method is adopted for ascertaining quantity of lumber exported upon which rebate is granted. Hon. Mr. Martin replied:

1. Returns are made by mill owners and other purchasers of timber as provided by section 75 of the Land Act. These returns are checked by the provincial timber inspector and compared the News-Record the sad story of the with information gathered by the forest terrible suffering and sickness of ranger from all persons who cut and sell lumber and from other sources. Persons who cut timber from private property must obtain a certificate from the little maiden ten years of age. timber inspector before the mills will At the time of the child's illness settle with them.

2. Returns are made showing the name of the ship or number of the car, the amount of timber and its destination, and these are checked by comparison with the bills of lading and shipping receipts.

ALIENATED LANDS. Hon. Mr. Martin presented a return showing: (1) The total amount of land conveyed or alienated, or in process of under the Island Railway Acts of 1884 and other railway aid land grant acts; (2) the total number of all thought she was going to die. Our acres now under reserve for the object regular physician had given up hope of of alienation.

The return showed: 1. Dominion of Canada, 3,500,000 winter) there might be a chance. But acres; Esquimalt & Nanaimo, 1,500,000 seven summers had passed since her acres; Columbia & Kootenay, 200,000 acres; Nelson & Fort Sheppard, 63,680 acres: Kaslo & Slocan, 4,647 acres. 2. Acreage reserved: Nelson & Fort until the child would be called to a bet-Sheppard, 410,000; B. C. Southern, 720.-000; Kaslo & Slocan, 270,000; Columbia liams' Pink Pills were prominently brought to our notice through a cure

house on the 26th day of March instant, informed the doctor, but he only laughwith reference to the reception of the ed at the idea of them helping her. How- of 55 miles per hour. Signs were blown, petition of Henry Coppinger Beeton et ever, I bought a box of the Pink Pills down; plate glass windows were broken reading. Dr. Walkem moved an amend- petition of Henry Coppinger Beeton et ever, I bought a box of the Pink Pills

By Mr. Sword-To move in committee on the Vancouver & Lulu Railway Act to add a clause requiring the company meaning of which were hardly apprecisted of section 40: "When a lunatic within six months from the passage of ated. In former years "settlers in unsent to any public hospital for insane is the act to put up security for the sum of \$2,000 that the work of actual construction shall be commenced.

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ANOTHER BIG BATCH

the Long List in the Gazette.

ed to Acquire and Devel-

ope Mines

Of the thirty-four mining companies of and the third reading was fixed for which notice of incorporation is contained in the current issue of the Gazette, two have their head offices at Victoria. One of these is the Starmount Mining Co. of which the provisional trustees are H. W. Ferguson-Pollok, P. A. Paulson, A. W. Taylor and R. B. Punnett. It is capitalized \$500,000, in \$1 shares. The company acquire« and develop the Starmount and Deadwood Pet claims on the Galena farm. The other Victoria company is the British Pacific Gold Property Co., the incorporators of which are A. J. McLellan R. T. Williams and L. Goodacre. It is stocked at \$5,000,000, in \$1 shares, with general extensive powers. The full list of new companies, which includes the stock exchange, of Rossland,

and the Parish, of St. Thomas, Chilliwhack, follows:

ster... Cariboo Creek and Canadian Min-ing and Development Co., Ross-land... 2,500,000 Co., Rossland.... Early Bird Gold Mining Co., Ross-

land...
Emoress of India Mining Co.,
Westminster...
Equitable Gold Mining & Develop-nel Mining and Development 1,000,000 ing & Smelting Co., Spokane... Glasgow Gold Mining Co., Rossland... Great Hopes Mining Co.. Spokane Great West Gold and Silver Min-ing Co.. Sandon... Kintyre Mining and Smelting Co., Pessland

Kintyre Mining and Smelting Co., Rossland.
Morning Mining Co., Sandon...
Morning and Evening Gold & Silver Mining Co., Spokane...
National Mining and Development Co., Rossland...
Parish of St. Thomas, Chilliwack Pine Ridge, Gold Mining and Milling Co., Rossland...
Santa Clara Gold Mining Co., Spokane... 1,000,000 

SAVED HER LIFE.

MERCHANT'S DAUGHTER.

Had Been Weak and Sickly From Infancy

From the Fergus News-Record.

-Neither Doctor Nor Friends Thought

She Would Survive-Dr. Williams'

Pink Pills Saved Her Life-Advice to

Mr. Post was a resident of Hamilton.

His story is substantially as follows: "My

daughter had been very delicate from

childhood until about three years ago,

and the money it cost me for doctors'

bills made me poor, as it was seldom

that she was without a doctor's care.

three doctors in attendance and hope of

saving her despaired of. The doctors

succeeded in keeping her alive, but she

was gradually growing worse, and we

saving her life and remarked that if it

birth, and she had gradually become

ter home. About this time Dr. Wil-

feebler, and my wife and

were only warm weather, (it was then

and at times we have had as many as

1,000,000

10,000

and is suing her uncle, Daniel Stout Parker, of Samoa, for \$4,000. curred on July 16, 1895. Mrs. Bourdois THE NARROW ESCAPE OF A FERGUS

cover the money on them. Parker has brought suit against Buordois for \$10,000 for the loss of his niece's security. The case has been on trial at Apia, and the consul-general ap-

Grover C. Connelly, of Richmond Corners, N. B., says of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure: "I am pleased I used Mr. C. M. Post, fruit and confectionery dealer, St. Andrew street, Fergus, last week related to a representative of terrible suffering and sickness of no relief. his little a daughter Ella, his only child, now a strong and healthy

THE STORM CONTINUES.

Victorians were just congratulating themselves on the fact that Thursday's storm, although severe, was short-lived, when the wind decided to take another fall out of sundry fences, chimneys and roofs before departing for Kansas or some other home of cyclones and tornadoes. About one o'clock this morning a 50-knot breeze struck the city and few people slept peacefully through the Windows rattled, the neighnight. bors' gates were slammed, fences were thrown on the sidewalks, loose bricks came tumbling down from chimneys, so that sleep was out of the ques-

It appears that the first reports from thought it was just a matter of time the Sound were inaccurate, the storm until the child would be called to a betled as far as Astoria and Portland. At the former place various mishaps oc-curred. It was reported that the steam-NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Mr. Booth—That the vote of the louse on the 26th day of March instant, louse on the 26th day of March instant louse on the 26th day of March instant louse on the 26th day of March ins THE GAME ACT.

ment fo the effect that the medical supaham moved the second reading erintendent of the hospital for insane and began giving them to her, half a land everything loose was blown in every
ing orders be suspended so as to permit pill at a time. After a short treatment, direction. No serious damage any-

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her, and I decided to abandon the docthe progres towards health and strength was necessarily slow, it was none the inches. less certain, and it was continued until she was as strong and as well as you see her to-day, and I am thankful to say that she has had no occasion for medical treatment since. I am a strong believer in the efficacy of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for weak and delicate children,

end I firmly believe it was this medicine that saved my child." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an allround-year medicine and are quite as efficacious in the case of children as in adults. They restore to the blood its lacking constituents, and make it rich, red and pure. In this way they strengthen the system and drive out disease. fallen. There are many cases like the above in which this wonderful medicine has restored health and strength after the stored with the Mainland last night best medical advice had failed. The but the wires went down again this genuine Pink Pills are sold in boxes, the morning. wrapper around which bears the full trade mark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills couver until 5 o'clock this morning. for Pale People. colored pink, but they are base imi- delayed by the storm. tations offered only because they give the dealer a greater profit. They should always be refused.

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SUIT OF A SAMOAN PRINCESS. Trying to Recover a Wedding Present From Her Uncle.

New York, March , 25.—The pretty daughter of a Samoan princess, now the wife of a well-to-do young Brooklynite, told her story to United States Commissioner Benedict in the court in Brooklyn yesterday. She is Mrs. Edwin Bourdois,

Bourdois is the son of a Wall street man. His marriage to the princess ocsays her uncle gave her as a wedding resent two notes of \$2,000 each. She left them with him for safekeeping and she says she has never been able to re-

pointed Commissioner Benedict in Brooklyn to take Mrs. Bourdois' testi-

Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure. I had it in very severe form for nearly five years. used several so-called cures, but got None of them did me any good. One box of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure completely cured me.

Thursday's High Winds Returned Full Force Last Night.

No serious damage has been reported.

there was such an improvement that nei- where has been reported. Street car ther her mother nor I could doubt that service was almost entirely suspended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were helping for the greater portion of the day, owing to trouble with the wires at Oregon tor's services altogether. The Pink Pill | City, whence comes the motive power. treatment was continued, and although The large suspension bridge across the Willammete river at Oregon City was wrenched from its piers fully eighteen The bridge was afterwards moved back into position by means of The storm prevailed hydraulic jacks. all over the Willamette valley and at the mouth of the Columbia river.

Two gentlemen who returned from Metchosin district this morning, where they have spent the last few days, report that Thursday's storm has played havoc with trees, fences and with many of the buildings in that district. A church building in process of construction at Colwood, they say, was completely wrecked, and travel on the Metchosin road required frequent use of the axe to cut away the trees which had

The telegraph wires are giving plenty

There are other pills The other regular steamers were also The barometer is not yet satisfied that the wind has spent its force and is lying low for another storm

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TRANSVAAL TROUBLES.

Uneasiness in London Regarding the Transvaal Situation.

London, March 26.—There is increasing uneasiness here regarding the Transvaal situation. The Birmingham Post, the organ of Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, says it hears that Germany is sending 3,000 troops to Southwest Africa, and that at the end of April a special German envoy will be sent to interview President Kruger of the Transvaal and President Steyne of the Orange Free State. It is elsewhere reported that owing to preparing for eventualities in the Transvaal the arrangements for an Anglo-Egyptian expedition to Khartoum have been suspended. " Officials here express a strong belief that if President Kruger persists in his claim for indemnity as a result of Jameson's raid in the Transvaal serious trouble will ensue.

Steve O'Brien returned this morning from San Francisco, where he has beeu visiting since the Carson carnival.

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