SWIFTWATER BILL

He and Three Others Break Through the Ice at Carriboo Crossing-None of the Bodies Recovered

Ordered to Leave Bennett by the Police Owing to Their Disgraceful

Other Accidents of a Similar Nature Reported-Reminiscences of the Notorious Character.

Nearly two months ago a theatre party occupied one of the boxes at the Victoria Theatre and attracted a good deal of attention, for it was not, as far as appearance goes, in harmony with the usual run of theatre parties. In the front sat a well built man with raven black hair attired neatly in a black suit, which was outraged by a flaming scarlet tie. He wore an air of "Don't you know who I am?" as he glanced defiantly around the theatre. That man was William C. Gates, the notorious "Swift-water Bill," of Klondike fame, and the party consisted of his wife, Nellie La More, her sister, several variety people Swiftwater Bill was taking north with him, Dr. J. H. Woolf and H. Marks, two Californians. They had made up the theatre party in order to pass the time while the steamer Humboldt, on which they were journeying northward, remained here to allow her passengers secure mining licenses.

On Saturday evening news was received in this city on the steamer Amur, to be confirmed yesterday by the Athenian, that Swiftwater Bill and a number of the people who made up the theatre party in question had been drowned in a foolhardy attempt to proceed down the Yukon after the ice had weakened. The fatality occurred on the 7th inst., near Cariboo crossing, a narrow channel near Lake Bennett.

Since the party left this city their lives seem to have been one continual orgy, but it was at Lake Bennett that they gave the most disgraceful exhibitions. They pitched their camp there about a month ago after having dis-patched their goods forward. Bennett was too quiet for the party, and they proceeded to paint lit a lurid red, redder than any Alaskan sunset. After their forbearance had been taxed to the utmost, the police decided to turn the up roarious party out of the camp. Accordingly orders were issued requiring them Mr.
to conform to more decent manners or Diario.

ed by the men at Bennett not to do so, but after reciting the longest string of swear words he could get his tongue around, told them no chee-chako could tell him what to do, and in company with his wife, her sister and Dr. Woolf, he proceedd down the string of lakes. They managed to reach Cariboo crossing, Eighteen miles this side of Tagish.

House in safety, and then suddenly the party disappeared beneath the ice. Men to the scene of the di mediately, but no trace of the bodies could be found, although a portion of

the outfit was found on the ice near by

Swiftwater Bill was one of the best known men of the Klondike, and he revelled in notoriety. He is the leading figure in hundreds of Klondike stories, free and otherwise. It was he who be came chamered of Gussie La More, his wife's sister, who danced and sang for the miners of Dawson, and offered her a coal oil can filled with gold dust if she would marry him. She, however, want Swiftwater, and refused him and his gold. Then came the story of which has been printed and reprinted in connection with nearly every article written on the Klondike. The same Gussie came into one of the eating houses of the Klondike capital in company with a miner, and nothing would please her but eggs, which, according to the bill of fare, sold for \$1 each. Swiftwater Bill happening along, at the time heard her ask for the eggs and determinrevenge for his refusal and he took it. Accordingly he cornered the egg market, buying up every egg in sight. Gussie did

not eat eggs.

At the time the rush to the Klondike creeks began Swiftwater was a resident of Forty Mile. He was on a big drunk when the stampede began, and his friends threw him into a boat and took him along. He was over two-thirds of the way there before he knew where he was going. With the usual luck of the drunk he located one of the best claims on El Dorado and another on Bonanza. Mr Ogilvie, the explorer, says that Swiftwater took out over \$60,000 from these claims last year.

chief ambition in life seemed to make his expenditure keep even with his income and—to wear diamonds. He was ever longing for diamonds, and one of the gamblers from Ashe's gambling rooms made a trip to Juneau to get some for him. The gambler got three stones, the chief qualification of which was their They were flawy and off color, but in size were like unto a negro minstrel's. for the gambler knew his man. Notwithstanding the fact that the diamonds were very cheap ones, Swiftwa'er was made to pay \$5,000 for them, besides the gam-bler's expenses. The money was paid over a bar in gold dust without a murmar, Gates remarking as he paid, that the gambler was his friend for life. Since then Swiftwater has always worn a diamond ring and two large stones in his necktic. One was fastened near the bottom of the tie and the the vest was always allowed to be unbuttoned to display this

Swiftwater Bill was unmistakably a oser. On his way out he carried his diamonds in his wallet, but on the arrival at every Indian village he put them on to blind the squaws. He only gam-bled because in his idea it was "au fait."

His chief fad was flattery, and his Nemewine and women. He was undoubtedly one of the best known characters that ever came our from Dawson City. When he returned from Dawson on the steamer City of Seattle early last winter he was approached by several newspaper men who steamer, but to all he declined to say anything as "none of the papers in Vicdressed in the garb of a miner, but an hour after he left the steamer he was lessly attired from head to foot. He expere patent leather shoes, a silk hat, Prince Albert coat, creased his trousers, and the only thing about his appearance which created a question as to his genuinpuess, was the enormous diamond. meness was the enormous which he insisted upon wearing in a very correspondents place in his shirt bosom.

Several other accidents similar to that by which Swiftwater Bill lost his life

are reported from the trails, but none of the reports can be verified. Skagway Alaskan of May 10th The says: "A man, name unknown, attempt ed to cross Lake Bennett, just opposite the town of Bennett, on Saturday, pulling his sled. The ice broke and let him and the sled through. Nothing has been seen of either since. It is not reported that any special effort was made to find him. It is thought that some one is drowned every day almost on the lakes. Air holes are all over the ice and about many of them the ice is broken up as though someone or something had fallen in. The police have cautioned everyone against going on any of the lakes from now on. The parties who came in from Bennett say the lakes will be open with-out doubt within ten days."

ORIENTAL NEWS.

Uprising and Massucres in Formosa The Hiyer Sinks a Torpedo Boat.

comes from Formosa on steamer Tacoma, which arrived vesterday, of an uprising against the Japanese on that is and Bands of rebels are interior, massacring many people and destroying much property. A shocking massacre is reported from a small hamlet twenty miles south of Tai-A band of raiders swept from the hills on the house of one Yang Kin-Shang, where a party of thirty Japanese and natives were assembled. After breaking down the doors the rebels butchered the occupants and set fire to The other residents of the the house. The other residents of the village did not attempt to come to the rescue of those who were slain. A short time previous to the sailing of the Tacoma a catastrophe occurred in

connection with some naval manoeuvres being held at the Kure naval station. The guard squadron with a flotilla of terpedo boats was acting as an attacking party, with the intention of occupying the naval station. As the fleet neared the mouth of the harbor two of the torpedo boats fouled and one of them torpedo boats fouled and one of them collided with the training ship Hiyei, which, as will be remembered, visited this port some years ago. The torpedo boat sank a few moments after she struck and all her crew were drowned with the exception of three. The Hivei was but slightly damaged. News comes from Port Arthur of the

arrest of two Japanese said to be conwith the Japanese army by the Russians on the charge of espionage. Sketches and maps of the fortifications were found in their pos-In compliance with the request of the

Japanese government, through Minister Yano, the Chinese government has agreed not to cede the province of Fuh-Kien to any other power.

It is announced by the native papers that the Japanese government will dispatch a warship and several officers to the seat of the Hispano-American war for purposes of observation.

Japanese native papers are discussing, the war at length; the sentiment expressed throughout is pro-American. Mr. Romero Salas, the editor the oldest paper in the Philip-Notwithstanding the fact that the ice was very weak and rotten, Swiftwater Bill decided to push on. He was warned by the men at Bennett not to do so. Salas has been found guilty is publish ing articles which have not been passed the censor, which may be taken to

mean that he spoke too plainly.

On April 20th a large fire occurred at Shitaya. (nari Kaido. It burned two hours and a half, and in that time destroyed 500 houses and burnt one of the natives to death.

CONFERENCE SUNDAY. Services in the Metropolitan Methodist Church Yesterday.

The Sunday sessions of the Britist Columbia Methodist conference were largely attended. A good audience was present in the morning to hear the conference sermon by the retiring president, Rev. Thos. Crosby, many of whom had attended the Love Feast under the direction of Rev. C. Bryant. Capital addresses were given in the afternoon by Revs. J. D. P. Knox, C. H. M. Sutherland, and a crowded church greeted Rev. Dr. Sutherland at the evening service.

Among those present in the evening were the Lieutenant-Governor an MoInnes, W. W. B. McInnes, M.P., and Hon. Speaker Booth, in addition to prominent members of the conference and leading citizens. The reverend doctor de'ivered an eloquent address from the words. "To what purpose was this waste," having special reference to the operations in the foreign mission field of the Women's Missionary Society. A striking parallel was drawn between the prodigality of Nature's gifts, which, though seemingly wasted, constitute a reserve source of wealth, as in the coal bed, and the continued expenditure of men and money for comparatively little return in the foreign mission fields. At the c'ose of the public meeting a sacramental service was held.

Linseed and Turpentine are not only popular remedies, but are also the test known to medical science for the treatment of the nervous membranes of 168pi ratory organs. Dr. Chase compounded this valuable Syrup so as to take away

the unpleasant tastes of tarpentine and sent to the department of justice to Mothers will find this medicine nealuable for children. It is pleasant to take, and will positively cure er in, whooping

cough and chest troubles. CORRESPONDENTS SAVED.

New York, May 16.—A special from Key West to the Evening World says: "The World correspondents imprison-ed in Fort Cabanas in Cuba are saved." 'General Blanco has courteously acceeded to the representations made to him by Lieutenant Brainerd, U. S. N., special agent."

As quickly as two Spanish officers can reach Key West they will be taken to Havana under a white flag to be exchanged and the World correspondents be brought back to Key West by the same special steamer.

The London Times' well known correspondent, Knight, and the British con-

sul-general in Havana acted vigorously in the matter.

Lieutenant Brainerd reports that the docks of Havana were lined yesterday with angry people. Knight was advised

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Sir Charles Tupper Denies That He Offered to Buy the Drummond County Railway.

Bill for the Organization of the Yukon Territory To Be Submitted This Session.

Ottawa, May 10.-In the House of Commons yesterday on the orders of the day Sir Charles Tupper rose to make a personal explanation. He read a brief lespatch to the Halifax Chronicle summarizing the evidence given before the Drummond County Railway Committee of the house on Friday last, which contained a statement that Mr. William Farwell, the witness, had stated that he saw a letter from Sir Charles Tupper to Mr. Pope promising that the Conservative government would purchase the Drummond County road for two and a half million dollars. He complained that there was not a word of truth in the statement made as regards himself and declared that he had never made a pro-position to purchase the Drummond County Railway. The leader of the opposition added that he proposed to ask he committee to call him in evidence.

A discussion followed participated in by the premier, Mr. Lister, Mr. Davin, Mr. Foster and Mr. McNeill, concluding with some remarks from the speaker. Ar attempt was made to show that the Chronicle correspondent had sent a despatch to another paper of a different character and that the Chronicle despatch was therefore malicious, but at

In the course of the discussion Mr. Lister said a letter was written, when he was interrupted by Sir Charles Tup-per, who said: "I deny it; neither was Mr. Lister-It is not contended that the

close of the discussion Mr. Foster rose and made an explanation on behalf

the correspondent which removed this

hon, gentleman did not write a letter about the Drummond County railway. Sir Charles Tupper—I state most emphatically that I did not: Mr. Lister-The witness stated that his impression was there was a letter and that if the road was taken over it would be at \$2,500,000. He discussed the deof that letter, stated who wrote it, and to whom it was addressed.

The speaker ruled any discussion as to what the evidence was out of order, and the matter was dropped. On the orders of the day Mr. Taylor moved the adjournment of the house in order to complain that a return with reference to the Gananoque drill shed site was incomplete and missing letters

were of a tell-tale character. Dr. Borden said it was true he had not brought down a private letter received from the Hon, J. C. Patterson, late minister of militia, concerning an agreement as to the purchase of a site when the present Governor of Manitoba was minster of militia, but he would telegraph Mr. Patterson for permission to bring that letter down. He had no objection to bring down every document. The matter was then dropped.

Organization of the Yukon. Sir Charles Tupper asked the prime minister if he would tell the house what new legislation, if any, will be brought

down this session. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that he could not at the moment fully implement the promise he had given the leader of the opposition to make a statement of the legislation to be submitted. He said, however, that the government did not contemplate bringing down any new business of a serious character. There might be one or two minor matters of a ocal character, but nothing coming under the head of a general policy.

In answer to a further question by Sir. Charles, he said that it is the intention of the government to submit a bill for the organization of the Yukon territory, the government has not yet information ugh to deal with the whole question. The leader of the opposition informed the government that he had received a telegram from Lieut.-Colonel Prior, who Victoria, saying that the Seattle Post-Intelligencer had stated jubi lantly that the Canadian government has given a contract to the Boston and Alaska Transportation Company for the carriage of some hundreds of pounds of freight to Yukon via Seattle, thus proving Seattle's supremacy as a centre for Canadian forwarders. If true, this was a serious blow at Victoria and Vancou-

ver papers.
Dr. Borden admitted that a contract had been made with the Boston & Alaska Transportation Company to transport small quantity of supplies for the detach-ment of troops which had been sent forward to Yukon via Seattle, the larger

portion going by way of Vancouver. The goods were purchased in Canada. In reply to Mr. Wallace, the prime minister stated than an order had been have an agent under the alien labor law appointed at Toronto. Mr. Wallace stated that Mr. E. E. A. Duvernet, acting for the employees of

Messrs. J. D. King & Co., had applied for the appointment of such an officer.

The solicitor-general, in reply to Mr. Wallace, stated that the legal agents of the Canadian government in Great Britain are Messrs. Day, Russell & Co., who were appointed in September, 1896, and have received up to hte present time £1,738 in fees, including counsel fees.

After recess, Mr. Casey's bill to better secure the safety of railway employees, was passed after striking out clause seven to grant compensation to railway employees regardless of neglect on their part. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said law offiers were of opinion that this clause was eyond the powers of this parliament.

Mr. Casey challenged this, and the clause was defeated by thirty-one to eighty, and the bill read a third time. eighty, and the bill read a third time.

Mr. Richardson, on motion to further onsider his garnishee bill, withdrew it. Sir Wilfrid Laurier stating it would have be recast and stand till next session After discussing a case of dismissal in Manitoba, the house adjourned. Additional Judges.

The solicitor-general gave notice last night of the following resolution: "That is expedient to amend the act respecting the judges of provincial courts by providing for the salaries of additional udges as follows: An additional judge of the Court of Appeals of Ontario at a salary of \$5,000 a year. An additional judge of the Superior Court of Quebec, \$5,000. An additional judge for the Circuit Court of the dictrict of Montreal. \$3,000. The judge of the Superior Court of Yukon, \$4,000 a year, and to provide for travelling allowances. To each judge of the Circuit Court of Quebec province attending court at a place other than where he is directed to reside, at the rate of \$6 a day. To the judge of the Supreme Court of the Yukon territory such allowances as the Governor-in-Council determines. To each judge of the

province of Ontario an annual sum of

In the Senate. In the senate the Hon. David Mills said he would introduce a bill to provide

for the appointment of additional judges in some or the provinces. Senator Landry asked if the minority were consulted in the settlement of the Manitoba school question.

Senator Scott declined to be catechised further. "Who is the minority?" he asked; "it is divided."

Mr. Mills, in reply to Senator Madconald, said the granting of miners' licenses at the Summit, the entrance to Yukon, was forced on the government by the throwing out of the Canadian Yukon railway bill, as by this we were forced to rely upon concessions from the United States and had to make some return. t did not interfere with the trade of the Canadian coast cities.

Senator Lougheed moved the second eading of the bill to incorporate the Pacific & Yukon Railway Navigation and Mining Company, Mr. Hamilton Smith's proposition to build a railway to Yukon from the head of Lynn canal. Mr. Mills moved the six months' hoist, as its construction through a United States strip of territory would place in-superable obstacles in the way of Canada maintaining law and order among a pop-

ulation which was ten-twelfths Ameri-This charter would kill all chance of an all-Canadian road and build up American coast cities. Every vote in favor of this bill would be a vote in favor of the United States and against Canadian interests. As a Brifish subject he opposed to this pro-American Senator Boulton moved the adjournment of the debate until Monday; lost

Mr. Mills's hoist was lost by 23 to 18. Four Conservative senators voted with the government—Perley, Bellrose, Temand Macdonald (British Colum The bill was then read a second time

LE ROI MINE AT LAST SOLD. British American Corporation Gives \$3,

Spokane, May 14.—By far, the largest mining deal ever consummated in the northwest was closed to day, when the final papers were signed that transferred the famous Le Roi mine and smelter at Northport to the British American corporation for the sum of \$3,000,000. By the terms of the sale a half million dollars is paid down and an equal payment made monthfor the sum of \$3,000,000. By the terms of the sale a half million dollars is paid down and an equal paymend made monthly until the entire price is paid.

For more than a year negotiations have been pending for the sale of this property, and a dozen times has it been reported sold, only to be later denied. For nearly six months has the British American corporation been trying to acquire it, but not until to-day was it possible to secure the consent of a majority of the stockholders to the deal. It was late this afternoon that the first payment was made to the directors and the sale closed. It will only need the ratification of the stockholders and, as the directors represent two-thirds of the stock, this is already assured. The Le Rol, since its first development in 1895, has paid in dividends the handsome sum of \$825,000. Of the \$3,000,000 paid for the mine, four-fifths of it goes to Spokane parties.

The new owners have already acquired all the mining properties surrounding the Le Rol and Red Mountain ambased in

all the mining properties surrounding the Le Roi and Red Mountain, embraced in about 500 acres of land, and it is now the intention of the corporation to develop a number of these mines from the workings of the Le Roi mine, thus saving a half million in development work.

CARIBOO DIVIDEND Camp McKinney Mine Makes The Eightteenth Payment.

The Cariboo Gold Mining & Milling com pany, operating the Cariboo mine in Camp McKinney, B.C., has declared a dividend by the company and swells the total to \$204,965. The first payment was made in February, 1895. The mine paid during 1897 dividends to the amount of \$48,000. dividends to the amount of \$48,000.

The company is a Spokane organization. James Monaghan is president of the company and George B. MacAuley is secretary.

The property of the company consists of two claims, the Cariboo and Anelia. Camp McKinney owes whatever prominence it has to the development of the Cariboo mine. It was discovered in 1887, a great vein protruding from the brow of the mountain with free gold planly visible in the rock. A busy camp has sprung up around the property. It lies on the main stage road about 50 miles east of Penticton and a little more than 30 miles west of Midway.

The free gold showing in the surface rock disappeared as the claim was worked deeper. Values, however, improved. It is said that surface ore on the Cariboo averged.

deeper. Values, however, improved. It is said that surface ore on the Cariboo averaged \$11 per ton in gold. Ore in the lower levels has been running about \$18 in all values, of which about \$2.50 s silver. The quartz is a bluish white with about 3 per cent. of sulphides.

The mill on the Cariboo was erected in 1894, and the mine is now equipped with all necessary machinery, a large part of which was added to the plant during the past year. The creek which runs through the camp furnishes sufficient water for 30 stamps. The mill is equipped with 10 stamps. Thirty men are employed.

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STRATEGY PLAN MAPPED OUT.

New York, May 16.-A special from Washington says: The strategy board has mapped out a plan of offense and defence for the navy. Admiral Sampson, who was off the north coast of Hayti yesterday, will cruise through the Windward passage and prevent the Spanish squadron from entering vent the Spanish squadron from entering Santiago de Cuba. If the Spanish make an effort to do so, the naval engagement will occur off that reints and the manufacture of the cable was completed at Trenton, N. J. From there it was shipped to Tacoma direct, instead of to any will occur off that point.

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TO FEED AND EQUIP CUBANS. Washington, May 16.—In the house to-day, Marsh, of Illinois, presented the conference report upon the bill authorizing army officers to send food to the Cuban people and the equipment of Cubans to increase their fighting ef-fectiveness against Spain. The report was adopted without objection

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toria Begun-The Western Union in B. C.

Construction to Cost Nearly \$100,000 Work To Be Finished in a Week.

The most valuable cargo ever shipped was surveyed by means of soundings on a barge from Tacoma is being loaded taken last December. to-day, just south of the Eleventh street place is 80 fathoms. It is also better to bridge, says the Tacoma News. It consists of thirty miles of the latest improved cable to be laid by the Western ter are much heavier and stronger than Union Telegraph Company on the bottom of Puget Sound, which will estab- because of the numerous currents and lish, together with connecting land lines, the general strain upon anything sub-

Mr. D. R. Davies, superintendent of construction for the Western Union in London and shipped to New Jersey.

Telegraph Company for the fourth district, which includes the entire Pacific extend through British waters in coast, extending east to the Rock-straits. The total duty is \$4,000. ies, is in the city from San Francisco to superintend the laying of the cable across the straits of San Juan de Fuca cents a foot, or \$2,640 a mile. Thirty and at various points on the lower miles brings the amount to nearly \$80.

The line when established will include Tacoma, Seattle, Port Townsend, Port Blakeley, Port Ludlow, Port Angelas and nearly all points on the south side of the folly and absurdity the inland sea. It will furnish an excellent service for the Western Union from the head of the Sound to the coast. The laying of this cable marks the first assault of the Western Union upon British Columbia soil, although British Terseph Ladue, poor old Swiftwater Bill ritory has been invaded for years on the and Nigger Jim to put through so exten-Atlantic coast, the original right having been granted to penetrate Nova Scotia and New Brunswick long ago.

The cable will be laid within a week, are completed, except for a short dis-The cable was manufactured in one con- will be finished within ten days. tinuous piece and measures thirty miles June 1st an office will be opened at Vicin length. The core, consiting of three toria, and direct communication to Ta-

small insulated conductors, was made in England, where all ocean and other cables are manufactured. Each conductor consists of seven small copper wires encased in gutta percha. These three conductors are specially insulated, and are the means of transmission.

Around them is a cushion or bedding

Deen round about, and the service needed improvement. The Canadian Pacific has a line from Victoria to Vancouver, the Postal, Telegraph operates one from Tacoma to Vancouver, and the Puget of jute, saturated with tar, which pro-tects the delicate conductors from the pressure of the heavy steel

pressure of the heavy steel armor, or outer covering of spiral wire. The cable tiself is two inches in diameter.

The copper core was shipped to this country from England, and the manuother point on the Sound, because of this city's superior wharfage facilities. L. F. Farley conducts a large mercantile business at Liberty Hill, Ga. He says: "One application of Chamberlain's little house built between two of the Two expert cable men came through cars, to look after the valuable shipment

The work of laying the cabie will be-

gin this week. It is being unloaded today from the cars unto a large barge, the heavy two inch wire being coiled craft in order to be easily laid. Wednesday night one of the Puget Sound towboats will be coupled to the barge and tow it to Seattle. Then the laying of the cable begins. There are eight different cables to string along the bottom the Sound, as follows: First-Across Duwamish south of Seattle. Distance 1,000 feet. Second—Across Puget Sound, from Alki to Restoration of Bean's Point. Distance, four miles. listance 1 000 feet Fourth-Across Agate Pass. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Fifth—Across Hood's Canal, near Port Samble. Distance, four miles.
Sixth—Across Port Ludlow Harbor. Distance 1.000 feet.

Angeles to Albert Head. Distance, approximately 20 miles.
Mr. A. Kline, the Western Union Telegraph Company's cable expert, of New Task of Connecting Tacoma and Vic-

It is thought that the seven minor cables will be placed by Saturday night, and on Sunday morning the main cable across the straits will begin to be low-ered. Five days should complete the An operator will be on board the barge

with an instrument attached to that end of the cable which is last to be submerged, and direct communication will be established as the work proceeds. The course which the cable will take The deenes lay the wire on as even a surface as can be found at the bottom of the sea.

Cables for comparatively shallow waa completed telegraph service between Tacoma and Victoria, by way of the various Sound cities.

The first on the strong and the complete strong and th the importation of the core constructed

> 000, the value of the cargo which i ing placed upon a barge along the water From this valuation it is easy to show

providing no accident or delay occurs. tance at the other end of the line, which

Heretofore the Western Union's con nections with down Sound points has been round about, and the service needed Tacoma to Vancouver, and the Puget Sound Telegraph company down the Sound shores of the straits by way of Seattle and Port Townsend, extending

to Cape Flattery.

The cable which the force employed will pay out, proceeding down Sound at four miles an hour, weighs four pounds to the foot, or nearly 400 tons. The Western Union's next work of construction will be from Wooley to Vancouver, via Fairhaven, Blaine and New Westminster. This branch will on land, save a two mile cable across the Fraser river. The present undertaking will be the

most extensive cable construction ever undertaken by the Western Union on the Pacific coast.

THEY MARRY TO KILL TIME. One strange feature of Australian social life is the perfectly casual way in which men marry for no ostensible purpose except the purpose of vanishing wearily around the corner immediately after the ceremony. In a Sydney case now on hand, the husband, it is alleged, married in 1894 and shortly afterwards made his tired, indifferent exit around the corner and never came back. In 1896 he married again, and immediately Third-Across Port Madison harbor. faded up the street. He never lived with his second wife. When he was arrested on a charge of aggravated harmen, he offered no explanation whatever. Apparently he only did it because a fellow must do something.

Distance. 1,000 feet.
Seventh—Across Discovery Bay. Distance, two miles.
Eighth—The main cable across the straits of San Juan de Fuca, from Port

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WATERWORKS

Ald. Phillips Thinks the Are Being Deceived the Filter Beds.

By-Law Authorizing rowing of \$15,000 F the Council.

Interesting Passag Between Wembers o Aldermanic Board

ne of the most satisfact last night's meeting of th was the announcement b there was not a single I lation hospital, indicating infectious diseases in the rmen were present, and nen were present, and l routine business com taken up as follows: B. C. Land & Invest called the attention of he unsanitary condition at the junction of Forboro Bay roads, which has militated against the erty in that vicinity, whated to the drainage of pital, and as the work onsiderable, the commun the sanitary inspector a Company, of Toronto, asl photographs for insertion cean" be sent, and the f ee and mayor will att invited the mayor and the Coal City fete 24th, and an acceptance thanks. reports were receive engineer upon the con beds, as follows:

Victoria, B.C., Ma Worship the Mayor: we the honor to subm ave the honor to submit t relative to the recent liter beds in order to a nt condition. As the w lown the pipe in front wall was completed of r was turned into the beds and withdrawn fr on visiting the works beds and withdrawn from the convisiting the works of inst., at about 4:30 p.m. ling in the east and west of three feet nine including the former and the sabove the sand in the surface in the centre find that would in the the cleaning of the centre of the kind that would in the the the cleaning of the ce eny boiling up or other the sand. The test demorate in a satisfactory an are in a satisfactory an when the works are be necessary, while clean to have a greater dethe sand in an adjoin teen inches, so that I con the sand in an adj een inches, so that I was made with fortyany greater strain sarily subjecting the w

lemen,-I have the ho of the filter beds at Be ordance with instruction the council at its last east and west filter water to as great the of the water in the without entirely cutting to the city, while the ned empty. The object secretain if the walls we to allow of one filter by while the others were in turned into the east a on Tuesday last, the cety, and reached its gilled have about five feet also sand surface, during I which condition they rethe works were visited a several members of the and others, on Wedney, the city was about five feet also several members of the several members of the condition they rethe works were visited and others, on Wedney, the city was about five feet also several members of the condition they rether the city was about five feet also several members of the city was about five ice with instruct

ien the city under etion with the filter thy been completed, the a leaky condition that empty and the adjoid leaked through into the distribution of the distribution r than need ever be to liters are in operation, submitted.

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motion of Ald. Hu on the reports were e city assessor report bathing room on Ple

h could be made prive 25, and the recommen red to the street con ing inspector. Paymen on and Walter Noble ant of contracts for street stables were agreed to. Simon Le ents of Pandora stre tion of the council gerous condition ed buildings of Mrs. asked for their remo ing inspector for repo Lers called attention age opposite the Jewis ne sanitary officer at were given power to G. Robertson and 21 a sidewalk on the Pine street to Belton is Ashe and three water pipe on Foul I committee will re ilks, and the water likewise as to the p engthy and important from the special to consider the rates and method and on motion it w for further cons ian to be supplied wi ayor suggesting that ould have to be he

street committee re alk on Green street and the drain put and recommended er report on the ne wall in front of on Rurnside Jorthwestern Teleg tified to place their r city engineer, and