

## LOOKING FOR MEANS TO INCREASE WORK

### Vancouver Tourist Association to Make Change in Charter

Vancouver, Feb. 21.—At the annual meeting of the Vancouver Tourist association, held in the association rooms last night some important resolutions were passed to wind up the association as at present incorporated under the Companies' act and to secure a new charter under the Benevolent Societies' act, transforming the business, assets and liabilities of the present concern to the new association.

F. J. Proctor, president of the Tourist association, explained that with the association at present incorporated, no subscriber, not being a shareholder had any right to vote at the meetings of the company; and though these subscribers had been attending the meetings it was not legal. In other ways also the Companies' act had proved unsuitable to the purpose; and he suggested that a remedy was to be found in incorporating under the Benevolent Societies' act, by which every contributing member is a shareholder.

Resolutions were passed accordingly. It was also decided to ask the city council for a larger grant.

J. J. Banfield, honorary treasurer, submitted his report, which showed cash in bank January 31, \$1,888.78; cash in hand, \$501.34; subscriptions, including grant from the city, \$1,556.20; total from sublet portion of office, \$132.85; total \$4,119.19.

The advertising disbursements amounted to \$1,975.19; general expenses, including salaries, heat, light and fuel, telephone, etc., \$3,183.78; and cash in bank January 31, \$1,888.78. The assets amounted to \$1,888.78, and there were liabilities of \$758.15.

The president read a lengthy report of the work done during the year.

**Electricians' Quarrel.**  
Vancouver, Feb. 21.—About twenty electricians of the city appeared before the civic fire and police committee yesterday afternoon to back up the complaint of the Electric Electric company against the city electrician, preferred at the last meeting of the council. After a full discussion of the matter, the committee directed that the city electrician should simply enforce the by-law as passed by last year's council, and recall any instructions or regulations he might have issued not covered in that measure, leaving any changes which might be desired to come before the council in regular form.

**New Stamps Installed.**  
Nelson, Feb. 21.—The Queen mine has finished its installation of ten new stamps to its mill, thereby doubling its capacity. The improvement has been taken place in view of the high grade of ore which is being met at depth and which would lead to a further impetus to mining in the Ymir district where already matters are becoming fairly active despite the season of the year.

**Greenwood Tunnel Project.**  
Greenwood, Feb. 21.—Richard Armstrong and D. McIntosh returned from Spokane where they secured terms for the control of most of the high grade properties along the line of the long tunnel. Mr. Armstrong returns to Chicago to complete the deals for the properties held there, and Mr. McIntosh to complete the deals for the properties held in the Ymir district. With the mining engineers interested he will visit the immediately tunnels similar to the one proposed here, in Colorado. Mr. McIntosh will make an inspection of the Palmer Mountain tunnel this week.

**Lady Kills Lynx.**  
C. J. Martin, of Beavermouth, sends the following: On Friday last, Feb. 14, Mrs. W. E. Knox, wife of a fine C.P.R. agent at Bear Creek, was walking a short distance from the station when she suddenly upon an immense fox which she had been chasing. This proved unfortunate for the fox, as Mrs. Knox was accompanied by a 30-30 Winchester and bowled him over the first shot. The animal when skinned by an old trapper measured four feet, two inches, from tip of nose to tail. The trapper says it is the finest specimen of the blue tinted species ever seen by him in the mountains. These animals have been very scarce and plentiful this winter, as one was killed two weeks ago by W. H. Price, of Rogers Pass, right in the village.

**Manager for Equitable.**  
In Vancouver, Feb. 21.—J. J. Roberts, of Winnipeg, has been appointed general manager for British Columbia for the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York. This part of the North American continent had been attached to the Seattle office, but will hereafter be operated separately.

**Vancouver's Moral Crusade.**  
Vancouver, Feb. 21.—Thirteen women who were former inmates of houses of ill-fame on Canton and Shanghai streets, and who were given a chance to leave the city and who were to head the warning are now serving six months' sentence in the city gaol. A number of others are reported to be back in the city and the police are now on their guard before they will be sent to gaol for a term of not less than six months.

**Cost of Hansard.**  
Ottawa, Feb. 21.—According to a statement by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the average cost of publishing Hansard debates per column for 1907 was \$5.42.

**Damages for Illness.**  
Toronto, Feb. 21.—O. J. O'Leary's suit against the C. P. R. for \$5,000 damages for an attack of pleurisy alleged to have been caused by a severe cold contracted while travelling from Montreal to St. John's on a Pullman car which was insufficiently heated, has been settled out of court, on payment by the defendant company of \$1,100. This is said to be the first case of the kind in Ontario, and the first in Canada in many years.

A lunatic named Mary Adams, aged forty-eight, escaped in a daring manner from the Parc Gwynell asylum at Bridgend, Wales. She lowered herself from the window into the straining cord, and then changed her regulation garb for the clothes of an attendant, which she had secured. She then entered the court wall and got away into the town unnoticed. So far, the only trace of her is the discovery that she was on an early morning train for Swansea.

## FRAME NEW BY-LAWS

### B. C. Fruit Growers' Association Consider and Adopt New Regulations

(From Saturday's Daily)

A general meeting of the Victoria Fruit Growers' association was held yesterday afternoon in the committee room at the city hall, when several important changes to the by-laws of the association were considered. There was a good attendance of members and the work of amending the by-laws and adding to them took but a short time. The following sections were inserted in the by-laws:

"That the association brand can only be used by shareholders shipping their fruit through the exchange."

"That all plums, prunes, pears and apples sold through the exchange be graded and packed by a packer employed by the association."

"That all shareholders selling through the exchange shall sign an agreement to sell only through the association."

Members are requested to order strawberry crates through the secretary of the association.

### Labor Members' Salary

The action at law commenced by the secretary of a leading branch of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants with respect to the legality of evictions and the Labour Party is, says Engineering, of vast importance. It should decide that the payments are illegal, the source of supply for the strikers' food, and that the strikers' members will be cut off, as trade unions supply almost the whole of the strikers' food. It is possible that this is not the time nor the place to discuss the rights or wrongs of the strikers, but as an historical fact bearing upon the question it might be said that the action is being taken by the trade unions, the chief of which is the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants. It is possible that the action will be a good deal to the society which is being taken by the trade unions, the chief of which is the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants. It is possible that the action will be a good deal to the society which is being taken by the trade unions, the chief of which is the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants.

### New Colorado Game Bird

Two strange birds arrived in Denver yesterday, having flown from Sweden. Now they are domiciled in the City Park. If the plans of the city council are carried out, they will be the progenitors of a new race of birds in the Colorado mountains. They are the capercaillie, and are the size of a small turkey. In habits they are much like grouse and ptarmigan. They are very tame, and are not afraid of man. They are very tame, and are not afraid of man. They are very tame, and are not afraid of man.

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## DOMINION'S PART IN DEFENSE OF EMPIRE

### Navy League Impressed With Need of Canada Taking Action

The various branches of the Navy League throughout the Dominion have been actively pressing their propaganda during the past year is shown by the reports which several of the branches have submitted at their annual meetings. The Toronto branch recently held its annual general meeting in the Canadian Military Institute building, and the following report of the executive committee was read:

Your committee reports that in view of the efforts put forth during the last year to increase our membership, the results leave much to be desired. There can be no doubt that the well-being of Canadian National interests is absolutely bound up with our maintaining a part of a strong British empire.

On all hands whether we like it or not, the race for the acquisition of sea power is going on.

### Germany's Challenge

The new German naval programme, coupled with the Hagen-Hagel Conference, leaves no further room to doubt that she seriously means to challenge Great Britain's naval supremacy. The German navy is upon the verge of a revolution, and the existence of the British Empire.

Canadians have thus to face the question—what would be the effect upon the Canadian navy if the command of the sea be lost by the British fleet?

Such a disaster spells the break-up of the empire, and what then?

Possibly there are those amongst Canadians who regard such a contingency with complacency. They latter themselves that Canada is immune from such a contingency, and justify inaction on the part of Canada by reason of our exceptional position, politically and geographically. They persistently ignore the fact that Canada has immense commercial interests afloat in every quarter of the globe, and especially in the North Atlantic, the interference with which would ruin our merchants and farmers.

Apart from this floating commerce, our nation, in this day of grace, is likely to be allowed to retain the natural resources possessed by Canada, unless she demonstrates her readiness to defend them. The only hope we have of being allowed to retain our national destiny lies in the prolonged life and sea supremacy of the British empire.

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## TEAMSTER KILLED

### Team Run Away on Westminster Road—Driver's Neck Broken by Fall

Vancouver, Feb. 21.—It was a tragic end that befell William James Penner, a teamster, on the Westminster road near Gladstone last evening. He was killed before 8 o'clock. His horse ran away down a steep hill, throwing him out on his head and breaking his neck.

Two teams of horses belonging to North Bros. were coming down the hill en route to the city. Driver Penner was apparently unaware of the untrained steep grade and neglected to keep the horses under tight rein. The result was that the horses dashed down the hill with disastrous results.

Shearwater, the second team driver, was thrown from his horse and sustained his first intention he had that anything had happened.

Penner was twenty-eight years of age and a native of Ontario. A brother-in-law, John Broder, of Owen Sound, was notified by wire.

## GERMAN EFFORTS TO BUILD STRONG NAVY

### Comparison of Teuton Naval Ship- building Programme With That of Great Britain

Under the new German Navy Bill, which passed its second reading in the Reichstag on Feb. 4, the programme of new construction for the German fleet is set forth in the following table:

### To Be Laid Down

Battleships, Ar. Cruis. Cruis. "Stroy"	1908	1909	1910	1911
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## REBELS AT LIQUOR KILLED BY TROOPS

### Five Hundred Striking Miners Were Killed in Battle at the Chilian Port

(From Saturday's Daily)

The steamer Alexandria of the Kosmos line, which arrived on the sound yesterday from Hamburg via South American ports and San Francisco brought details regarding the rebellion at Iquique as a result of which H. H. Montt was killed.

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## GIVEN FIVE YEARS

### Sentence Passed on Harry P. Clay, Who Committed Several Thefts in Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 21.—Pleading guilty to five charges, ranging from theft to housebreaking, Harry P. Clay was sentenced to eight and one-half years' imprisonment in the provincial penitentiary at Kamloops.

Magistrate Williams in the police court yesterday morning. It was on the housebreaking charge that Clay received the heaviest penalty, a five years' term being meted out in this case. On three charges of stealing articles over the value of \$40 he was given one year on each charge, and for stealing a fob chain under the value of \$10 he was given six months.

All the latter sentences will run concurrently with the five year term.

When asked to plead on the charge of breaking into the house of Mrs. Crislett in the west end, Clay said he was guilty. And the same plea was entered on four other charges. He had stolen a watch from Pauline Dinn, two bracelets and a locket from Miss Kehoe, a fob chain from Mr. T. McCaffrey, and a watch from Mr. Dr. Anderson. Explaining how he had come into possession of Mr. McCaffrey's fob chain, the prisoner said he had slipped out of his pocket and picked it up on the street.

When he broke into the house of Mrs. Crislett, the latter, who had been visiting friends, returned home unexpectedly and discovered Clay in the house.

**Manufacture of Gut Strings**  
Cut gut strings, it is well known, are made from the intestines of sheep. The intestines of the full grown animal are from forty to fifty feet long. The raw material is cleaned and then the strings are thoroughly cleaned of fat and fleshy fibre by dull knives arranged on a drum turned by hand. The strings are then turned and placed on the drying frames. An American violin string requires six strands, the European four. The strands, at one end fastened to an upright post, are twisted together while being turned. The twisting is done by a spinning wheel. Taken from the drying frames, the strings are cut in lengths, and then are boxed in a chest of polishing to be taken to the maker.

To polish the strings very fine emery paper, laid on a grooved aluminium block, is used. The strings are still on the drying frame, the covered block is passed over the strings, polishing them and removing the grooves in the block. It can be seen that from the manner in which the strings are made, the process of polishing is to weaken the string.

In the essential features, the process of making the strings is a very ancient one. The use of the heavy strings three-eighths of an inch thick sometimes employed by the makers of the present day, differ from the method employed in the case of musical strings, except that the latter are handled with more care.

### Women Chess Players

New York, Feb. 21.—Mrs. R. S. Burgess, of St. Louis, holder of the women's chess championship of the United States, who is now in Vancouver on a visit, has received a challenge for a chess match from Mrs. Charles E. Burgess, of Cambridge, Mass. Mrs. Burgess is a well known chess player and called on Mrs. Burgess, who agreed to the match, and