WEST COAST CATCH

Victoria Sealing Schooners Have Secured Only a Small Number of Skins.

Merchantmen on Their Way to Victoria-New Cannery Steamer Arrives.

Judging from the small catches already reported by the different schoon. ers engaged in the West Coast sealing. the entire catch for the season, which closes on April 30, will be even lighter than that of last year. At this time last year the Dora Sieward was high line schooner with a catch of 325, whilst the majority of the schooners had over 100 skins. This season the largest catch reported is 240, taken by the Oscar and Hattie, but the majority of the schooners have less than one hundred skins. The latest news from the sealing ground was brought down by the Boscowitz, which returned from the West Coast early this morning. The returns by the Boscowitz are as follows: Uscar and Hattie, 240; Fawn, 152; Minnie. 124: Kate, 102; Libbie, Annie C. Moore and Ainoko, less than one hundred each; Kilmeny, 93; Sapphire and Saucy Lass, 80 eacn; Penelope, 75; Beatrice, 40; Favorite, 130; Victoria, 50; Pac tewles, 40; Mountain Chief, 30. The smallness of these catches partly accounted for by the unusually rough weather which prevailed along the West Coast, and by the fact that considerable difficulty was experienced by the captains in securing their Indian crews. But the chief reason is the scarcity of seals. Evidently they have not yet come so far north, for good catches are reported by the California schooners hunting off the l'arallones.

An indication of the revival of better times lies in the fact that more and larger sailing vessels are on their way to Victoria and Vancouver than in any tons, which just arrived, is the largest ship that ever came to Victoria, but two other ships left London which are larger even than the Howth. The Drumrock, 2918 tons, Captain Bailey, which sailed from London on March 10, is chartered by R. P. Rithet & Co. The other is the Drumcliff, 2468 tons, Captain Davies, which sailed from London four days later and is chartered by R. Ward & Co. Both carry cargoes of general merchandise for Victoria and Yancouver merchants. Shipping men feel even a greater interest in the voyages of these vessels than in those made by the Glenalvon and the Howth, chartered by the same companies and which left Liverpool on the same day. Four days difference in the time of sailing will not have a material effect on the time of arrival as this time can be easily gained or lost in a voyage which will occupy in the neighborhood of 150 days. Besides these monsters, several ssels are on their way to Vic-Among these are Ilala, 1329 tons, Capt. Davies, sailed from Liverpool Dec. 31, for R. P. Rithet & Co; line was extended. Work on the bridges are: Flour, \$8 per 100 pounds; bacon, 1799 tons. Captain Murphy. sailed from Glasgow Nov. 26 for F. C. Davidge & Co.; Desdemona, 1406 tons, Captain Evans, sailed Dec. 7 from Cardiff with naval stores; Wythrop, 1248 tons, Captain Edwards, sails from Liverpool in April for R. P. Rithet & Co.; Drumcraig, 1801 tons, Captain Spurring, sailed from Barry, Jan. 29, for Evans, Coleman & Evans, Vancouver; Jane L. Stanford, 922 tons, sailed March 4 from Newcastle, for R. P. Rithet & Co.; Erroll, Captain Smith sailed from Cardiff March 10, for naval storekeeper. The three "Drums" belong to the well known firm of Gillison & Chadwick, the majority of whose vessels have names beginning with that

The hull of the new steamer recently bought at Seattle by A. Magneson for Victoria and San Francisco parties, to be used in the cannery business arrived at Sprtt's wharf last night in tow of the tug Mystery. The hull is not yet completed and several alterations will be made before the machinery is put in place. Mr. Magneson has not yet decided what machinery he will place in the new vessel. He recently purchased the machinery of the Mary Hare, burnt at Reed Island, and it is just possible that this will be renovated and repaired and used in the steamer. No name has yet been selected for her. She will probably be used this season at the Clayoquot cannery. Her dimensions are: Length, 80 feet over all; heam, 16 feet and depth 6 feet 6 inches.

Word has again come in from the ocean to the effect that the San Francisco sealing schooner Kate and Ann is continuing to enjoy her sensational luck | ian Evidence Act. in getting skins this season. This particular vessel did not go to the Arctic, but instead has been for some time cruising about in the vicinity of the Farrallones, her skipper's object being to intercept the herds as they proceed north. From the start he was successful. A lumber schooner arrived at San speke the Kate and Ann and received from the latter the information that she had on board up to date 525 skins. At

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this rate the schooner will make

Lloyds' committee have presented their medal for meritorious serv gineer Rose of the British steamer Strathnevis, which lost her propellor on October 20th last, and drifted about the Pacific in a most erratic manner until December 18th, when she was taken in tow by the Canadian-Australian liner Miowera and afterwards taken to the A Very Rough Country, Idle Men, Special Permits are Granted Them Sound by the Mineola. The insurance companies and Lloyds' will also present a testimonial and more than £300 to the captain and officers.

The steamer Boscowitz returned from the West Coast early this morning. Among her passengers were Captain Ferry, who had been down engaging Indian crews for Capt. Bucknam's sealing fleet, which leave for Behring Sea about June 1, W. Halgrine of the schooner Kilmeny; A. Wallam, Clayoquot; and J. Brackenhurst, Nootka. The Boscowitz brought down 152 skins from prospected as yet. It is very difficult the schooner Fawn, anchored in Clayoquot, and 9 skins from the Oscar and all summer, and one has to thaw out Hattie. The steamer brings news of the ground with fire, which makes very the sealing schooner Kate striking a slow work. This is the largest camp Her keel rock in Clayoquot Sound. was slightly damaged, but the necessary repairs will be made there.

Bridges for the E. & N. R'v. Company.

Old Wooden Trestles Over Goldstream, Niagara and Arbutus Canyons to be Replaced.

The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Com pany, through the general superintendent, Mr. Joseph Hunter, have invited tenders for the construction of iron bridges across previous year. The Howth, 2166 Goldstream Niagara and Arbutus canyons. Plans and specifications have been sent to a number of the large iron works throughout the country, including the Albion Company of this city. The bridges are to replace the wooden trestles now in use. An immense amount of work will be required to bridge these canyons, as the Arbutus trestle, the highest of the three, is nearly 200 feet high. The others are not much smaller. Other ravines along the line will be filled in, in fact that work was commenced last year.

The specifications require that the contractors shall not interfere with the present wooden trestle during the course of the construction of the steel one, but they

may be used for supports. The fact that the company are putting in these new bridges and making other improvements to the road, points to an early extension of the line to Comox. When speaking last year of the proposed extension of the line, Mr. Dunsmuir said this work would have to be done before the Some of the prices I will have to pay will be commenced just as soon as a conconsiderable time has to be allowed the bridge builders to prepare their tenders.

AN OTTAWA MECHANIC.

HE HAS GAINED 27 POUNDS.

And This, Too, After Having Been Confined to Bed for Two Months With Rheumatism-Wet Weather Effects Knocked Out by "Knotenay Cure."

County of Carleton, to Wit: I, Martin Watson, of the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, do solemnly declare that I live at 112 Cathcart street, in the City of Ottawa, that I am 30 years of age and a 'insmith by trade. I was severely afflicted with rheumatism, and so bad was my case that I was confined to my bed for two months. In June, 1895, I begin taking "Ryckman's Kootenay Cura." I used two bottles and am now entirely cured and free from rheumatism. have since been exposed to wet weath r, which has had no bad effect on me. I consider "Kootenay" a great cure for rheumatism. I have also gained 27 pounds in weight. It is a grand tonic and a wonderful blood purifier. I attribute my cure solely to the use of "Kootenay Cure," and make this selemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canal-

MARTIN WATSON. (Signed.) Taken and acknowledged before me at the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, this 19th day of February

(Signed.) DANIEL O'CONNOR,

A. Commissioner ST. CATHARINE'S SCANDAL.

Clergyman Who Can't Mind His Own Business Causes Trouble. St. Catharines, Ont., March 27.—Society

St. Catharines, Ont., March 27.—Society is greatly disturbed over a story in which Rev. C. H. Shut, rector of St. Barnabas' church, is the central figure. It is said that while passing along the street the other day he heard a lady, whom he greatly admired, say to a merchant, "I'll send you a note." The clergyman became jealous and determined to possess the letter. He sent a lad around to the postoffice and asked for the letter, using the merchant's name, and as soon as he got if he opened it over a jet of steam from a peanut stand, and finding it merely a matter of business, he re-fastened it and returned it to the postoffice. This was reported to the postmaster, who held an investigation, but those who most about the affair stated that they would sooner commit perjury than those who most about the affair stated that they would sooner commit perjury than incriminate the clergyman. In an interview to-day, Rev. Mr. Shut said that when the proper time came he would give an explanation of the whole affair, which would make it appear less serious than at present. A report has been sent by the postmaster to Ottawa, but no action has yet been ordered.

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PARADISE. A LIQUOR MONOPOLY

Captain James Pattie and Chief En- People Who Have the Alaska Fever Is Secured by American Companies Should Look Before They Leap.

> High Prices, Discomfort and Privation.

I. N. McQuesten, a storekeeper at But Circle City, Alaska, writing to a friend, says:

"This is a great mining country. Gold is found in small quantities for 2000 miles on the river, and in many places it is very rich. The country is not half to prospect, as the ground is frozen hard on the river. It was struck one year ago last June. There are six hundred men wintering here, and the outlook is favorable of it being double that next

"There are about 800 men at Forty Mile. That is about 240 miles from this place. I am doing business at both Anyone coming to this place places. ought to have \$300 to winter on, as he For the Construction of Three Steel is liable not to make anything the first

> "Wages are \$10 a day in the mines when you can get work. The mining season is about three months. "We have a theatre once a week.

year.

Tickets are \$1.50. There are about 13 saloons, and there is a dance about every other night. There will be a school started next week. There are 15 white ladies here.

"This place is near the Arctic circle. At this time we see the sun for one hour in the middle of the day. We had a very pleasant fall up to two weeks ago, then it turned cold, and it is now 60 degrees below zero.' A letter from Forty Mile, January 6,

"Of all the two hundred or three hundred who left the basin at the beginning of winter, so far as I have been able to learn, nearly every one of them was broke. There was one Frenchman who took out a couple of thousand dollars. My greatest surprise since leaving was when we entered the basin last March. There were about a dozen in our party, some of whom had spent

if the miners are fortunate next summer everything will be O. K. Last summer was a failure. There are no new prospects to speak of, there being but two places in the neighborhood where gold has been found in sufficient quantities to pay for the working. The problem I am now trying to solve is the buying of a whole years' provisions. 40 cents per pound; dried fruit, 35 cents per pound; apples, 25 cents per pound; canned goods, 50 cents per can. Up at the mines last summer the standard prices were \$38 per 100 pounds of flour; 95 cents a pound for bacon; 55 cents a pound for sugar, etc. If a man can make enough money in the summer time to buy a year's grub stake and clothing, he would run a good chance of finding MAKES A SWORN STATEMENT THAT paying dirt, prospecting in the winter However, a miner might live here twenty years and not find a good prospect. A great deal of prospecting is now going on.

"The climate is good. At this time the thermometer stands 70 degrees below zero. It feels a little cold, but then we don't have it this way long. The trip is a long and dangerous one, and it took our party about three months to

make it." "A. L. Smith, who went to the Yu. kon a year ago, taking with him two thousand dollars, says: "This country is not what it is cracked up to be by the press, I assure you. The mines have not turned out as well as was expected, even by the miners.

"It has been a very pleasant winter, not very cold; the coldest day was only 70 degrees below zero; it is 66 degrees below to-day. Yet one does not mind it very much. My nose freezes very easily; aside from that I can stand lots of cold. The days are about four hours long-from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. I have not seen the sun for two months, yet there is not a cloud in the sky.

"Birch creek, emptying into the Yu kon about 250 miles below here, is said to be a good camp, but provisions are scarce there this winter, consequently it will hold everything back.

"It is a hard country to be in, shut out from the world without any enjoyment whatever. The condition of a culprit awaiting the day of execution, or of an exile in Siberia, is preferable to living in this God-forsaken hole."

DR. WALKEM A CANDIDATE. He Will Run for the Dominion House as an Independent.

Nanaimo, March 28 .- For some time past Dr. Walkem has been intimating his intention to run for the Dominion house on the Independent ticket. It is now stated he has definitely decided to do so. The doctor is of the opinion, for so he has expressed it, that he can catch a large number of votes at Cowichan by running on this ticket, though it would suit his purpose better if the present Liberal candidate would withdraw. The meeting of Liberals will not take place until Friday night next.

Onite a number of miners have left the city during the past few weeks and still many more would hardly be missed, as, for a long time there has been a surplus of labor in the city.

The Hornets will play a picked team from the city on Good Friday, the gate receipts to be tendered for the benefit of H. Hilton who had his shoulder disiocated in the match with Vancouver.

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to Sell Liquor in the Yukon District.

Similar Privileges are Denied Victorians. Desiring to Trade There.

Capt. John Irving's motion requesting 'that the Dominion government be at once apprised of the necessity of placing the Yukon country under the control of the Province of British Columbia, will probably come up for discussion in the legislature on Monday next. In the meantime the Council of the Board of Trade have not been silent regarding the matter of having this important district more in touch with the business men of the provthe council to the Victoria members at Victoria business, men by the recent action of the department of the interior in issuing permits to American companies to take liquor into Canadian territory and subsequently excluding Victoria merchants who also wished to take liquor into the Yukon country. The council mainta'n that the interests of the business men would be better guarded by placing the Youkon country under the control of the

Fort Cudaly.

Customs officer Brown is directly under the control of the department at Ottawa, and he does not report to Collector Milne or to any of the customs officials here consequently Victoria business men who are interested in the ever increasing trade of the Yukon country knew nothing about the issuing of these permits to the American companies. Mr. James Macaulay and others lett for the Yukon a short time ago with a considerable quantity of liquor

desire to point out the absolute unfairness

ments for the Yukon frade, the council desire to point out the absolute unfairness of giving to two American companies the control of the liquor trade in our territory on the Yukon river. Such an arrangement enables those two companies to make enormous profits, and the council is assured that were no other liquor sent into the country than 2000 gallons provided for, it would sell at \$40 per gallon."

"The reason why our people have so far only taken liquor into the Yukon country is that until we can complete transport arrangements there is no other commodity that will stand the cost of freight from Lynn Canal over the mountains to our territory on the Yukon. The Alaska commercial Co. and the North American Trading & Transportation Co., have their own vessels plying to St. Michael's, in Behring sea, and from thence the steamers belonging to these companies proceed up the Yukon. The freight rate is \$125 per ton from Seattle to Forty Mile creek, but this rate only applies to goods and commodities which do not conflict with their own commercial business; in other words the companies named are not common carriers except in name only.

"The opening of the mines in British

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which leaves Seattle on the 28th inst. the same to be hurried in to the interior after Mr. Macaulay and those with him, as will protect their goods from possible seizure; when they left here there was no information of any kind of nature which would lead them to expect restrictions which did not previously exist."

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION. General Committee Which has in Charge This Year's Demonstration.

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Regular Passenger Tariff.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

In Hogg vs. Farrell et al., the Full Court yesterday delivered judgment, granting a new trial. Below is Mr. Justice Drake's judgment:—

In this case the learned judge who tried the action directed an issue to be tried at Nelson on the question raised by the counter-claim of partnership, and reserved his judment on the main issue. The defendants set down the issue for trial at Nelson before and judgment had been rendered by the trial judge, and the plaintiffs were not represented. The defendants obtained a special jury of 12, and a werdict was rendered which is now appealed against, on the ground that a jury of 12 in civil cases is contrary to law. By Cap. 15, Sec. 86 of the Jury Act, 1883, it was enacted that the provision of that act was not to extend to Cassiar or Kootenay, but the laws in force prior thereto, relating to the summoning, qualification and disqualification of jurymen should be in full force in these districts. The law relating to summoning and qualification of jury as defended by the Jurors Act, 1860 was the

force in these districts. The law relating to summoning and qualification of jury as defined by the Jurors Act, 1860, was the law in force prior to 1883. The laws relating to the number of jury men requisite for the trial of a civil case are not affected by the provisions of sec. 86 above. What then is the law relating to the number requisite to make lawful jury in a

tra.

Mr. Justice Drake festerday in Wessell v. Wessell granted a rule hisi for the divorce of John Wessell from his wife Agnes, the decree to become absolute in six months. His Lordship held that though

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The General Committee having in carge the Queen's birthday celebration is composed as follows, those named having power to add to their numbers: His Honor Lieut.-Governor Dewdney, His Worship the Mayor and City Council, officers H. M. Nayy, officers R. M. Artillery, Lieut.-Colonel Peters, D.A.G., officers Fifth Regiment, Royal dockyard officials, Hon. E. G. Prior, M. P., Thomas Earle, M. P., Hon. Theodore Davie, C. J., Hon. J. H. Turner, Hon. Col. Baker, Hon. R. Beaven, John Grant, Dr. Milne, Hon. J. S. Helmcken, M. D., E. C. Baker, Managers Banks of British North America and British Columbia, John Braden, M. P. Hon. M. W. T. Drake, W. A. Waard, C. Phillips Wolley, Joseph Hunter, M. P. P., A. W. Vowell, A. C. Flumerfelt, T. B. Hall, R. P. Rithet, M. P. P., D. R. Ker, C. E. Renour, Dr. Davie, Dr. John Duncan, W. H. Ellis, Wm. Templeman, Capt. Gaudin, Capt. C. Clarke, J. H. Todd, T. S. Gore, A. H. Scalfe, J. B. Gordon, Josbua Davies, Dixi H. Ross, J. S. Yates, Charles Kent, W. J. Dowler, J. Holland, H. Mansell, Capt. John Irving, M. P. P., H. D. Helmcken, M. P. P., William Dalby, Thomas Shaw C. Booth, C. W. Jenkinson, W. Christie, Chas. Hayward, R. Broderick, G. Lelser, Percy R. Brown, R. Jones, H. Cuthbert, C. E. Redfern, E. E. Blackwood, J. E. Macrae, G. L. Courtney, R. Erskine, Thos. J. Burnes, J. H. MacGregor, Lindley Crease, A. B. Erskine, C. J. Russell, E. Pitt, Chief Deasy, M. J. Conlin, F. Hinds, Noah Shakespeare, George E. Powell, E. A. Jacob, W. H. Langley, A. A. Davidson, S. Perry Mills, F. Macrae, A. Braham, J. C. Maclure, George Bickfort, E. J. Wall, J. B. Johns, H. N. Short, John Switzer, Otto Weller, H. A. Porter, R. Short, D. O'Sullivan, G. Askew, E. C. Finlayson, W. D. Aden, J. Fraser, E. E. Billinghurst, H. B. Haines, G. E. Jorgensen, Robert Mitchell, A. J. Dallain, G. V. Cuppage, W. Ridgeway Wilson, Charles Braund, D. Cartmel, H. C. Macaulay, W. J. Holmes, C. M. Roberts, F. J. White, J. G. Elliott, W. G. Challoner, G. A. Kirk, C. A. Godson, H. Fox, William Wilby, W. J. Molmes, C. M. Roberts, F. The General Committee having in carge the Queen's birthday celebration is com-posed as follows, those named having pow-er to add to their numbers: His Honor A communication has been sent from in the past the trade on the Upper Yu-

to the past the trade on the Opper the ken in British territory had not been under government control, and until luspector Constantine, of the mounted police and Customs Officer Brown were sent to Fort Cudany, American goods of all kinds were the only supplies obtainable, and these were sold without paying any Canadian were sold without paying any Canadian import duty. During the past year the officials confined themselves to the work of collecting duties and preserving the peace; the traffic in liquor was permitted to continue without license or regulation. The traffic last year was considerable, for the importation of liquor is prohibited in Alaska territory; but the shrewd American soon found a way of supplying liquor to the miners on both sides of the boundary line, in the vicinity of Fort Cudahy. No such prohibitory law was in force in Canadian territory, so the liquor was sent in such prohibitory law was in force in Canadian territory, so the liquor was sent in through Alaska in bond to Fort Cudahy, where it was sold to miners for 50 cents a glass, or \$40 a gallon. But the Americans were not yet satisfied. They wished to preserve their monopoly of this profitable business, so this year the Alaska Commercial Company and the North American Trading & Transportation Company secured, through the minister of the interior at Ottawa, special permits to take 1000 gallons of liquor each into Alaska. From private Sources it has been learned that were all broke. Still they had made people on the outside believe they were rich.

"At present our best prospect is the hope of getting trust at the stores, but if the miners are fortunate part and they private sources it has been learned that these companies have already sent more than double that amount into the Yukou country, and no doubt it all has found its way into Canadian territory, notwithstanding they rigilance of the mounted police at fortunate part and they private sources it has been learned that these companies have already sent more than double that amount into the Yukou country, and no doubt it all has found its way into Canadian territory, notwithstanding they rigilance of the mounted police at the miners are fortunate part and the private sources it has been learned that these companies have already sent more than double that amount into the Yukou country, and no doubt it all has found its way into Canadian territory, notwithstanding the private sources.

with a considerable quantity of liquor bought here. Shortly afterwards reports were brought down by some miners that the mounted police intended to seize the liquor. This was at once reported to the board of trade, and the following telegram was sent to Lieut.-Col. Prior: "Reported that liquor new on route from Victorie to

liquor. This was at once reported to the board of trade, and the following telegram was sent to Lieut-Col. Prior: "Reported that liquor now en route from Victoria to Yukon, shipped by Macaulay and others, will be seized by mounted police. Reasons unknown. Board asks that instructions be wired at once, to go forward by steamer leaving Seattle on 28th inst. in order that interests of our merchants be not sacrificed." A letter was also sent setting forth the facts of the case. In the meantime those interested in the liquor sent interviewed Collector Milne regarding the matter, but as he has no jurisdiction over the Yukon country, he knew nothing of the circumstancees of the case, and wrote to the department at Ottawa. He received an answer to the effect that the minister of the interior had issued the permits, that he considered 2000 gallons of liquor sufficient for ther equirements of the Yukon miners, and that no further permits would be granted.

The Council of the Board of Trade point out in their letter that "It is impossible for patties wishing to embark in business on the Yukon to communicate with Forty Mile creek, or to go to Ottawa, and the council believe that it is not the intention of the authorities to make regulations in regard to the Yukon trade without consulting British Columbia, which must be the supply point for all the Yukon business. In any case, they feel sure that on proper representation the Dominion government will not make any order which would infict a serious hardsnip and heavy loss on those who in good faith have started with valuable supplies and have already incurred heavy transport expenses.

The council further asks the Hon. Mr. Prior to "refer to Mr. Milne's letter to the department of customs, dated December 20th, and to reply thereto, dated February 12th last. These place before you the only official information to be obtained here, and the collector of customs here on the 20th December is only replied to on the 12th February following."

The council's letter continues: "Apart f

commercial business; in other words the companies named are not common carriers except in name only.

"The opening of the mines in British territory is almost an assured fact, and their development would be seriously retarded if any action were taken at this time to discriminate in favor of American merchants against our own citizens.

"The council desire further to direct the attention of the Dominion government to the necessity in the interests of this province and the Yukon, that the affairs of the latter should be under the control of officials resident in British Columbia. The officials now employed in the Yukon take their instructions from and report direct to Ottawa, and without wishing to reflect in any way upon those gentlemen, the council submit that their usefulness would be much greater than at present if it were aranged that Victoria should be the centre from which they should receive instructions and to which they should receive instructions and to which they should report. The council are of opinion that the time has arrived for considerating the advisability of adding to British Columbia that portion of the territory lying to the north of the province, the main traffic and transportation of the Yukon being from this coast.

"With regard to the particular subject which has realled for this communication the council desire that such special authority be sent north by S. S. Al-ki,

AQUATIC CARNIVAL Victoria to Have a Two Days' Celebration This Year.

Monday and Tuesday, May 24th and 25th, have been decided on as the days on which Victoria will this year cei brate the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. The regatta at Gorge will as usual be the chief traction, but it will this year be known as the "Aquatic Carnival." There wil be a baseball match and bicycle race on Saturday, so in fact Victoria will have three days of sport, but the \$1000 voted by the council and that collected from the citizens will only be draw

upon for Monday's and Tuesday's sports. Mayor Beaven presided at the meet ing held last evening, when these details were decided upon. Beaumont Boggs was for the 6th time appointed secre tary, and Ald. R. T. Williams accept ed the office of general treasurer. The general committee, which will be the same as last year, will meet on Tuesday evening and appoint sub-committees. During the evening Mr. St. Clair

urged that less money be spent for ad rertising and more for sports for boys This did not meet with approval, it be ing pointed out that the main object was to induce visitors to come to the

ANOTHER CABINET CHANGE. In the French Ministry-M. Berthelat Resigns His Portfolio,

Paris, Merch 28 .- M. Berthelot, minister of foreign affairs, has resigned or grounds of ill health and family rea Premier Bourgeois has succeed ed M Berthelot as foreign minister and M. Doumer, minister of finance will in the interim, take the portfolio of the minister of the interior, previous ly held by M. Bougeois.

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E. & N. Railway Company Establishing MAKE UP YOUR Although the patrons of the E. & N Although the patrons of the E. & N. Railway Company will this summer enjoy a double train-service on Saturdays and Sundays, they will not enjoy the cheap rates that prevailed last summer; In fact to some points the rates will be higher than ever. The company have formulated a regular passenger tariff, the rate being 4 1-2 cents per mile. This will place all points between Victoria and Chemainus on a cheaper basis than heretofore, but for points beyond Chemainus the rate will be higher. For instance, the fare to Wellington, which was formerly \$3, will be \$3.50, to Nanaimo, formerly \$3, will now Be Up-To-Date as in everything else ington, which was formerly \$3, will be \$3.50; to Nanaimo, formerly \$3, will now be \$3.30. On Saturdays and Sundays round tickets will be sold for a sing'e fare, but on other days of the week the round trip will be \$4.95. Fares between some of the intermediate stations have been materially lowered.

The fare from Victoria to Goldstream, formerly 75 cents, will be 50 cents; Shawnigan, formerly \$1.50, will be \$1.25; and to Duncan's, formerly \$2, will be \$1.80. To all points round trip tickets will be sold on Saturday and Sunday at a single fare. Old-fashioned Soaps and oldashioned drudging wash-days are not good enough for up-to-date people.

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What then is the law relating to the number requisite to make lawful jury in a civil case? By Cap. 96 of the Consolidated Acts of 1867, 8 jurors are to be empanelled on the trial of any civil case triable in the Supreme Court and no more. No distinction is drawn between the special and common jury actions. This section is re-inacted by Sec. 47 of Cap. 3 of the Consolidated Acts, 1888, and is the law now. In my opinion, therefore, the appeal must be allowed with costs, as there has been no trial before a lawfully constituted tribunal. E. P. Davis, Q. C., for the appellant, and E. P. Davis, Q. C., for the appellant, and John Campbell contra. The Full Court are to-day hearing the appeal in re McArm, which was argued last month before the Chief Justice and by him referred to the Full Court. R. Cassidy for the appeal, and A. E. Mc-Phillips for the convicting magistrate contra.

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months. His Lordship held that though the citation to the respondent had been served more than a year after its issue, it was good, and in that respect different from a writ of summons. Lindley Crease appeared for the husband, the petitioner. In Urquhart v. Urquhart Mr. Justice Drake in chambers this morning made an order on application of the defendant adjourning the trial until 20th April, before a judge and common jury. Defendant to costs occasioned by the adjournment, and also the costs of the application. W. J. Taylor for the defendant, and S. Perry Mills contra.

Argument is being continued in re Mc-Arm before the Full Court this morning. WHITE STAR. BAKING POWDER PURE SWHOLESOME

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