Royal City Local News

Hale and Hearty Old Couple Celebrate Their Diamond Wedding.

Fear That a Fisherman's Strike May Develop This Season.

Snags Cause Dangerous Deflection in Pier Cribbing of New Bridge.

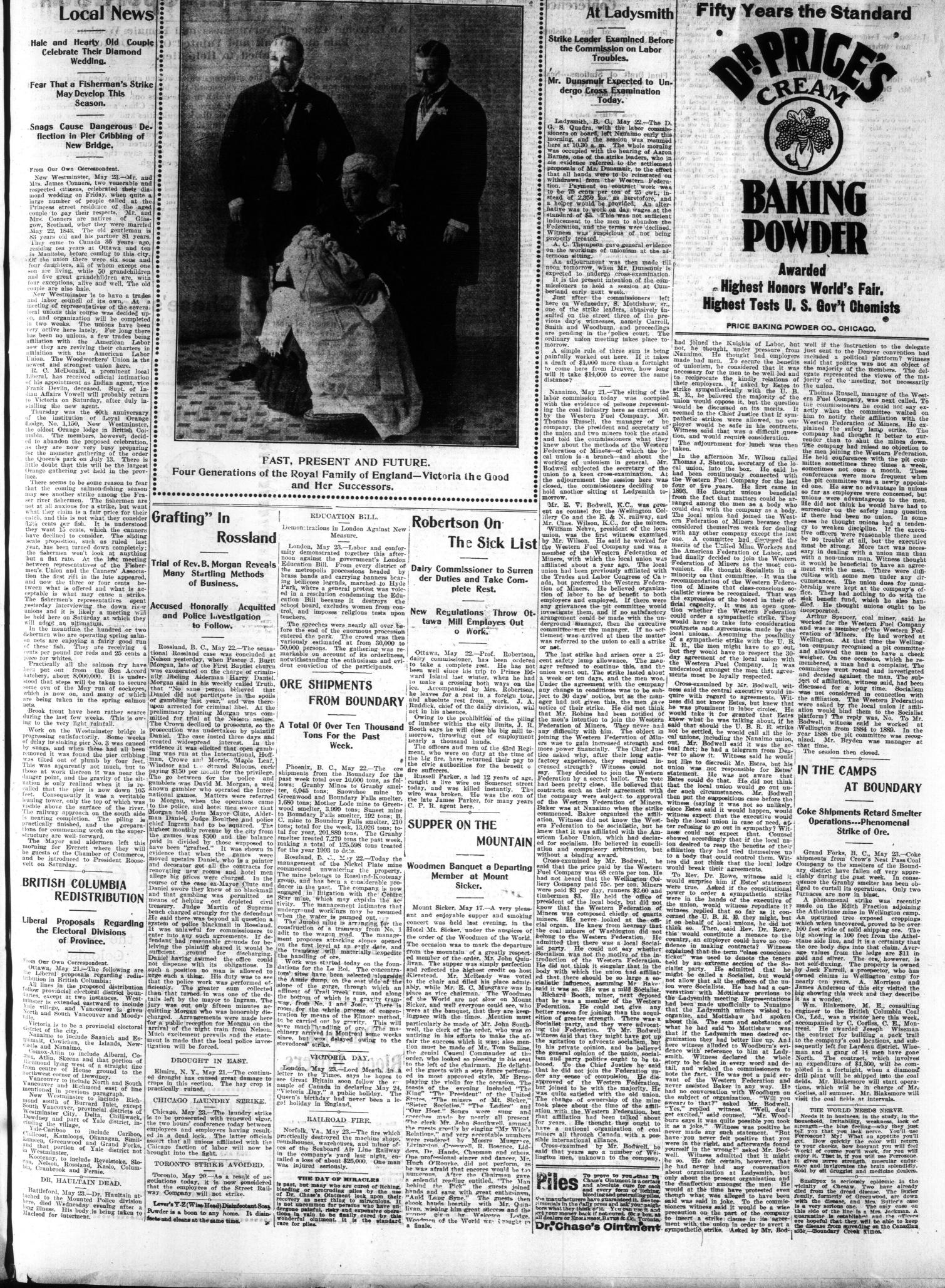
New Westminster, May 23.-Mr. and New Westminster, May 23.—Mr. and Mrs. James Conners, two venerable and respected citizens, celebrated their diamond wedding on Friday, when quite a large number of people called at the Princess street residence of the aged couple to pay their respects. Mr. and Mrs. Conners are natives of Glasgow, Scotland, wher they were married May 22, 1843. The old gentleman is 83 years old and his partner 81 years. They came to Canada 35 years ago, residing ten years at Ottawa and ten ing ten years at Ottawa and ten in Manitoba, before coming to this city.

Of the union there were six sons and four daughters, all of whom except one son are living, while 50 grandchildren and five great grandchildren are, with four exceptions. four exceptions, alive and well. The old

couple are also hale.

New Westminster is to have a trades and labor council of its own. At a meeting of representatives of the several local unions this course was decided upon, and organization will be completed in two weeks. The unions have been very active here lately. For long there has been no unions, a few trades being affiliation with the American Labor now they are reviving their charters in affiliation with the American Labor.

More Evidence



At Ladysmith

Strike Leader Examined Before the Commission on Labor Troubles.

Mr. Dunsmuir Expected to Undergo Cross Examination

Ladysmith, B. C., May 22.—The D. G. S. Quadra, with the labor commissioners on board, left Nanaimo early this morning, and the session was resumed here at 10.30 a. m. The whole morning was occupied with the hearing of Aaron Barnes, one of the strike leaders, who in ais evidence referred to the settlement proposals of Mr. Dunsmuir, to the effect that all hands were to be reinstated on withdrawal from the Western Federation. Payment on contract work was tion. Payment on contract work was to be 75 cents per ton of 25 cwt., instead of 2,350 lbs. as heretofore, and a helper would be provided. An alternative was to work on day wages at the standard of \$3. This was not sufficient inducement. Witness was suspicious of not being properly treated.

A. C. Thompson gave general evidence on the workings of unionism at the af-

noon tomorrow, when Mr. Dunsmuir is expected to undergo cross-examination. It is the present intention of the commissioners to hold a session at Cumberland early next week.

Just after the commissioners left here on Wednesday, S. Mottishaw, sr., one of the strike leaders, abusively insulted on the street three of the previous day's witnesses, namely Carroll, Smith and Woodburn, and proceedings are pending in the police court. The

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