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LOCAL
NEWS.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)
On Hunting Trip James Dunsmuir, F. Barnard and others made up a party of Victorians who left yesterday morning on the steamer "Thistle" on an eight-day fishing and hunting expedition. The first few days will be spent in the country along the line of the Fraser river.

Trial Commenced.—The trial of the three boys charged with indecent assault commenced before Judge Harrison yesterday. The public and press were excluded. The day was taken up with the hearing of evidence for the prosecution and argument upon its admissibility or relevance. Mr. Belyea appears for the Crown and Mr. Geo. Powell for the accused. It is understood that the admissibility of written confessions by the boys will be strongly opposed by Mr. Powell.

Late Fall Fair.—A meeting of the executive committee of the B. C. Agricultural Association will be held this morning at 11 o'clock, at the offices of the secretary, Robert Swinerton, for the purpose of receiving a statement respecting the accounts of the late fall fair and the transaction of such other business as yet remains to be attended to. It is not probable that the financial statement will be passed to the auditor before the closing of the same, but it is understood that an excellent showing has been made and that a surplus, instead of a deficit, will be the feature this year.

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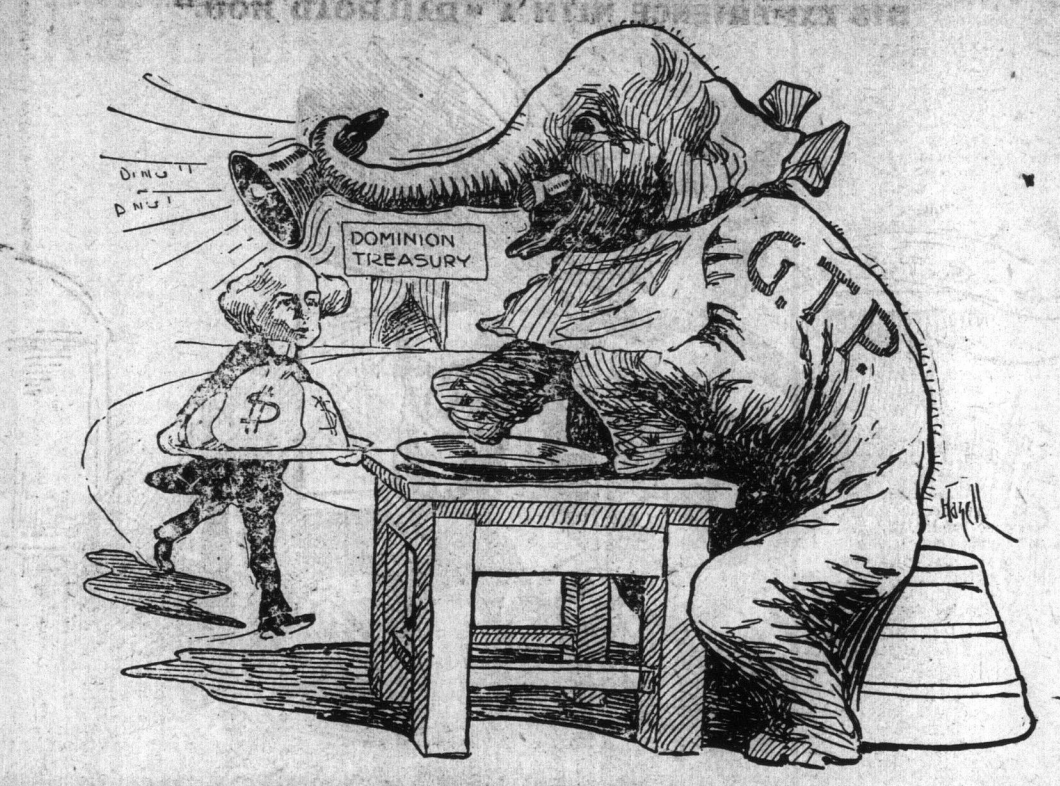
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A COLD BLOODED
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Fearful Act of a Teamster Who Seems to Be Sane—Other Items.

Winnipeg, Oct. 23.—A cold-blooded murder was committed at boarding house at 236 Nena street, when Robert W. Taylor, a teamster in the employ of Alex. Black Lib. Company, split open his wife's head with an axe. He then quietly took the other boarders and informed them he had killed the "old woman." The murderer had not been drinking to excess and appeared to be sane, but no motive for the crime could be imagined. Taylor, in waiting up the landings, walked through the house holding a lamp and a bloody axe in his hands. The boarders became panic-stricken and fled. Another teamster, Sergeant Kerr and Robertson handcuffed Taylor and removed him to the station. It was a very quiet affair, a pipe whose the police arrived, tried to explain the nature of the wound and remarked that he was quite comfortable, after which he burst forth into song. "Loch Lomond" he sang, and the police, who were not at all surprised, named the murderer a madman. The murderer was a teamster, named Taylor, and he came from the north. The three daughters of the Taylor family live in the house. Taylor claims he belongs to Cameron, Ont.

Salvato Pico.—A man found guilty of manslaughter at Fort Arthur, Assiniboia, yesterday, having killed his mate last June. Sentence was deferred.

Russell Crowe.—Formerly of Nova Scotia, a clerk in L. B. Cochran & Company's store at Medicine Hat, was found in a dying condition at the early yesterday morning with a bullet wound in his head. It may have been an accident.

Roy Phelps.—A fireman on the C. P. R. at Moose Jaw, was fined \$30 for leaving his engine without giving the company notice.

To date more cars have been loaded in Saskatchewan than at the same time in 1903, although 200,000 bushels less have been marketed. To date 6,310 cars have been loaded, being \$2,000 bushels; in 1902 5,857 cars, 8,901,000 bushels were loaded.

A RICH STRIKE.
Ruby and Native Silver Found at Olson Group, Altonworth.

Probably some of the richest silver ever brought to Kato was shown by Charles Olson when on a visit to that town on Saturday. He showed a number of pieces of claims above the No. 1 mine. The claims were rich in silver, and the mine was rich in silver. The mine was rich in silver. The mine was rich in silver.

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