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Will Keep The Philippines

President McKinley Instructs the Commissioners to Extend U. S. Authority.

Soldiers are Busy Clearing the Country Around the Town of Manila.

New York, March 7.—A despatch to the Tribune from Washington says: "The interest in the situation in the Philippines is awakened by the establishment at Manila of the civilian members of the commission which has been designated by the President to recommend to him in the archipelago. The commission regarding the duties of the commission and the authority it will have in the colonial government are set out by the publication of an order issued by the President to the Secretary of State. It will be noted that the military government of the islands under General Otis will be continued without interference until the congress makes other provisions, and that the commission's powers, while important, are largely advisory. The order says: 'In order to facilitate the most humane, specific and effective extension of authority throughout these islands and to secure with the least possible delay the benefits of a wise and generous protection of life and property to the inhabitants, I have named Jacob G. Schurman, Rear Admiral George D. Dyer, Major-General Elwell S. Otis, Charles Denoy and Dean C. Worcester to constitute a commission to aid in the accomplishment of these results.'"

Gunboats and Soldiers at Work.

Manila, 7, 11:25 a.m.—At daylight this morning the enemy was discovered trying to mount a gun across the river from San Pedro and the Sixth artillery promptly shelled the rebel battery, temporarily stopping the work. The enemy poured a fusillade of masonry across the river, but a gunboat moved up and cleared the banks of stream with rapid fire guns.

All was quiet during the night.

Postoffices have been established at Negros, Zebu and Iloilo, and the clerks left yesterday for their respective positions in Manila, March 7, 1899. While the rebels had concentrated their forces with the evident purpose of attacking the water works, no direct attempt was made to capture the American installation.

The detachments from General Hale's and General Wheaton's brigades cleared the country to-day.

THE LATE LORD HERSHELL.

Remains Placed on Board the British Cruiser Talbot.

New York, March 7.—The body of Lord Hershell reached Jersey City from Washington at 5:40 this morning, and was taken on board the British cruiser Talbot, which will convey it to England.

The special train over the Pennsylvania railroad bearing the remains will meet at the station by the British consular general Percy Sanderson, Commodore Philip commandant of the New York navy yard, Lieut-Commander Dolly, United States navy, and detachments of the American and British marines. The marines escorted the casket from the train to the tug Narkeeta, on which it was transferred to the Talbot. Noon hours were set as the time for the sailing of the Talbot, but it was expected to be delayed on account of the storm.

KNIT GOODS MANUFACTURERS.

A Meeting Called for the Purpose of Forming a Trust.

WIPSA, March 7.—Knit goods manufacturers here and in Michavik valley have received an invitation to a meeting to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in New York on March 15 for the purpose of forming a knit goods trust. Fifty-eight companies are said to have signified the intention of sending representatives to the meeting. One of the largest manufacturers of knit goods in this section says he is very sorry to see this movement, as the trade is in excellent condition, and prices are good. He does not believe that the combination will be good for the manufacturers or the public. The proposed trust will be capitalized at \$50,000,000, if organized.

SWEPT BY A TORNADO.

Houses Wrecked and Many Lives Lost in Tennessee.

Albion, Tenn., March 6.—A tornado, about seventy-five yards wide, struck a portion of Madisonville on Saturday night, killing three persons, wounding ten, and destroying fifteen houses and several barns. The storm came up with amazing suddenness and swept everything in its path. It was accompanied by a terrible roar. Inhabited places rushed for their lives and places of safety. In the county the damage was done to orchards, and it is reported that further casualties are being reported from outlying rural districts. Particulars have been received.

WHEAT IMPROVING.

Albion, March 7.—Queen Marie's Harvest is suffering from brown rot, and it is estimated that a good night, and her husband this morning shows a marked improvement.

KIPLING STRONGER.

The Funeral of His Daughter Josephine Will Be a Private One.

New York, March 7.—Rudyard Kipling's condition continues to improve. F. N. Doubleday, who has been with the author almost constantly since he was prostrated, said early this morning that the night had been a restful one for Mr. Kipling. The patient, however, is as closely watched as ever, to guard against a possible relapse, which will be liable for a fortnight or more.

Elsie, Mr. Kipling's three-year-old daughter, is reported to be progressing favorably, having slept well last night.

Mr. Doubleday in deference to the wishes of Mrs. Kipling, has refused to give any information regarding the arrangements for the funeral of Josephine Kipling. Her mother wishes that the funeral should be private. The child, Mrs. Kipling says, in no sense belonged to the public, and wishes to avoid the funeral take on the character of a spectacle.

The Kaiser's Message.

Berlin, March 7.—The Emperor Wilhelm has received through Herr Von Hohenhausen, the German ambassador at Washington, a message from Mrs. Rudyard Kipling, expressing her thanks for the despatches to her by His Majesty yesterday, in which he expressed his solicitude. His Majesty's message is much commented on here.

It is believed it was not only sent from motives of sympathy and courtesy, but to create a pleasant political impression.

Severe Storms and Floods

Another Blizzard Strikes New York Rendering Street Traffic Difficult.

In Ohio and Virginia the Situation is Alarming and Much Suffering Prevails.

New York, March 7.—New Yorkers awoke this morning to find a March blizzard blowing thick and strong. Three inches of snow lay upon the ground and fine damp particles, as dense as a winter fog, seemed to come freely from all directions.

The blizzard struck the city at 9 o'clock and in a few minutes it was into pockets and coal cellars, and made pedestrianism extremely uncomfortable. Street traffic was rendered difficult, and river pilots had anything but an easy time.

On the bay the wind came mostly from the northeast, and the snowfall was so thick that nothing could be seen from shore but a swirling mass of white. It was known, however, that a large fleet of warlike sailing vessels had taken alarm at the suspicious look of the barometer yesterday afternoon, and that before night set in they had put back and anchored safely inside.

Snow Storm at Washington.

Washington, March 7.—After a balmy, springlike day, the people of Washington awoke this morning to find the city again clad in a mantle of snow. About 3 o'clock this morning a blizzard-like snowstorm started, and before 9 o'clock snow was three to four inches on the level, and in places was drifted to a foot or more in depth. The wind was blowing almost a gale and the snow in the early morning fell so rapidly as almost to blind pedestrians. The temperature took a severe drop from the mildness of the preceding day, but was not extremely low. The street car service is badly interrupted. The snowstorm is increasing in intensity and is traveling northward along the Atlantic coast.

Gloomy Situation in Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., March 7.—The night was one of discomfort and actual suffering. The slow falling of the water added to the low temperature made the situation a gloomy one. Many business men were compelled to use boats to seek provisions and fuel. Even the governor was forced to use a boat to go from the executive mansion to his office in the state house. Much drunkenness and disorder prevailed. The loss to timbermen up the Elk river will be heavy. That river traverses the heaviest logging district of the state. Immense rafts are thrown in loose and go crashing into the Kanawha, sometimes doing heavy damage to coal docks, barges and tipples. The Winitfield coal docks are gone, with several barges, and an extensive tippie between the east bank and Belmont was swept away.

People Driven From Their Homes.

Chebanati, Ohio, March 7.—Newly starting the low temperature and high winds of last night the Ohio river continued steadily rising at the rate of two tenths of a foot per hour. At 8 a.m. it had reached 55 and 57 inches. Newports is the earliest sufferer from the high water, and already a considerable portion of her territory is flooded, and families have been compelled to leave their houses or go to the upper stories.

Railway Tracks Washed Away.

Lexington, Ky., March 7.—An almost unprecedented loss followed the breaking up of beams in the Kentucky rivers. It is estimated that fully one million dollars' worth of logs have been lost in this way at Jackson, Beattyville, Valleyview and other points. The Lexington and Eastern Railway has been a heavy loser. Above Clay City its trucks were submerged in some places to a depth of five feet, while in others they were washed away.

Deadman's Island.

The Protest Against Leasing the Land for a Sawmill Site.

Vancouver Delegation Present Their Case to the Ministers at Ottawa.

Ottawa, March 7.—The Vancouver delegation about Deadman's Island met the Hon. Messrs. Laurier, Cartwright, Borden, Tarte and Sifton in the Premier's office to-day. The interview lasted over two hours.

Mr. Senkler was the first speaker and gave a history of the affair.

Premier Laurier said: "As I understand, your delegation rests its case on the ground that the island belonged to the city of Vancouver, which was given to the city for park purposes and could not be alienated from the park, and if it could be alienated you say that it ought not to be because it would destroy the views and the appearance of that residential part of the city."

Mr. Senkler replied that that was his position.

Ald. McQueen followed on the same lines and read the correspondence between the city and the government. He said that the reason for applying for a lease to the government was to remove squatters, but when asked by Hon. Mr. Tarte to show that there was anything about squatters in the correspondence, could not do so. He also said there were squatters on the main shore. He admitted that the island was used for an isolation hospital and cemetery, and also that application had been made for it by a marine railway.

Mr. McQueen went into the marine railway scheme, and said that in 1891 the city agreed to give \$100,000 for a drydock on the island.

Hon. Mr. Tarte—Evidently the city did not think then, six years after using the park for park purposes, that it also had the island.

Mr. Senkler made a strong appeal on general grounds for the city getting the island along with the park, and made a good impression, but could not explain away the marine railway project or the drydock scheme.

Premier Laurier—I have had no information on the subject previously, but judging from what I have heard I am of the opinion that the city used the island for an experimental purpose for a cemetery and for other purposes, but not in any way as a part of the park.

In reply to Sir Richard Cartwright, Ald. McQueen said that the city had not expended any money on the island, except building a bridge to connect the island with the main shore.

Mr. Cowan said that the people thought the island was part of the park.

Hon. F. W. Borden explained the lease and said that it was part of the engagement with Mr. Ludgate that \$250,000 should be expended on the island, and that the mills would employ 1,000 people.

Premier Laurier asked the delegates to submit the case in writing.

Explosion a Mystery

Cause of the Terrible Disaster in France Has Not Yet Been Ascertained.

Fifty-Four Persons Killed and One Hundred and Thirty Injured.

Paris, March 7.—Fifty-four persons were killed and 130 injured by the Tonon explosion of Sunday morning. The reports that the catastrophe was the result of crime are renewed. The Petit Journal asserts that a fuse five feet long, has been found in the ruins of the magazine.

M. Lockroy, minister of marine, in the course of an interview with a representative of the Gaulois, said that none of the theories advanced were admissible. "Impudence on the part of the personnel," he added, "was impossible, as the explosions occurred several hours after the gates had been closed."

The heating theory, too, is unsound, as the temperature of the building was always low, and the air dry.

CHARGE AGAINST MOLINEAUX.

New York, March 7.—Roland B. Molineaux, charged with the murder of Mrs. Kate Adams, was brought before Judge Blanchard in the session court. His counsel, Barrow S. Week, thereupon commenced an argument for the inspection of the minutes of the grand jury, upon which the indictment was found.

CONSUL IS BLAMED.

Germany Disavows the Acts of Dr. Raffael and He Has Been Ordered to Return Home.

Chicago, March 8.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Herr Raffael, the newly appointed consul of Germany to Samoa, who will by virtue of his office be president of the municipality, has not yet started for his post, and in consequence the officials of the department of state are wondering when he will start.

The United States and Great Britain have through their diplomatic representatives, unanimously agreed that if the German government would recall Dr. Raffael immediately the contempt of court proceedings against him would not be pressed. This pledge was given by Germany and Dr. Raffael is expected to leave Aiaia on February 20.

The United States and Great Britain have reached an understanding that the actions of Dr. Raffael were responsible for the entire disturbance created by the Matafa regime, but as Germany has practically disavowed the acts of her consul by recalling him, it is not believed there will be any further action taken by either of the governments interested in the protectorate over the islands.

SPANISH REPUBLICANS ACTIVE.

Madrid, March 7.—The republican deputies at a meeting just held decided upon a vigorous republican propaganda. The chief republican newspaper, has been seized.

Shocking Accident

Trying to Cross Westminster Electric Railway a Little Girl Is Killed.

Motorman Could Not Stop and the Car Ground Her to Death.

Vancouver, March 7.—A sad and shocking street car accident occurred in New Westminster last evening. Two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, Durban street, were playing at the corner of Sixth and Princess streets, as the 6 o'clock city car, No. 16, came along on its trip to the limits.

The young girl, approaching the corner where the two children started to run across the track, the elder one leading. The motorman saw the first child and slowed down.

The younger one ran out, however, and fell right in front of the car. The motorman immediately put on the brakes and did all in his power to stop the car, but without avail, and the child lay in the middle of the track, the tender being too high to be of any service. The heavy motor carried underneath the car struck the poor little one on the back of the head and crushed the body against the ties. The child died a moment afterwards in the arms of the conductor and motorman.

Her father was aged seven years. Her mother was a widow and had no other family, and is widely known on the mainland.

The council last night decided to raise Mayor Gordon's salary from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

CANADA IN LONDON.

Domestic Position in Pacific Cable Enforced—Trade Returns for February.

Toronto, Ont., March 7.—The following is a dispatch cable dated London, March 7: T. G. Shaughnessy, of the C.P.R.; Engineer Coate and N. A. Belcourt, M.P. for Ottawa, sail to-morrow. Mr. Belcourt, contrary to expectations, did not visit Home.

The Earl of Aberdeen was present at a meeting yesterday which passed resolutions expressing sympathy with the attitude assumed by the Dominion of Canada regarding the Pacific cable.

The cases of Park and the C.P.R. and of the corporation of Notre Dame de Bonsecours are set for hearing before the judicial committee of the Privy Council to-day.

By returns published to-day it is gathered that the imports from Canada to the United Kingdom for February are as follows: Cattle, 1,902, valued at \$30,264; sheep, 426, value \$674; wheat, cwt., 197,900, value \$58,892; wheat, meal and flour, cwt., 94,500, value \$48,156; peas, cwt., 18,900, value \$5,417; barley, cwt., 20,983, value \$30,105; hams, cwt., 8,048, value \$15,084; butter, cwt., 1,512, value \$8,219; cheese, cwt., 10,001, value \$22,876; eggs (great hundreds), 888, value \$1,388; horses 24, value \$290.

HAVING A HOT TIME.

Paris, March 8.—Despatches received here from Toulon to-day confirm the report received from there last night and cabled to the Associated Press that twelve dynamite cartridges were found behind the Toulon arsenal yesterday, and that an unidentified person fired a revolver at a sentry on duty at the arsenal. It appears that two shots were fired at the sentry before the Mentely magazine at 7 o'clock last night.

The wards were turned out and patrols were sent to scout the neighborhood, but the culprits were not discovered. The sentry saw six men running away. The magazine contains quantities of gunpowder, melinite and dynamite.

"Open Door" Once More

Italy Now Takes an Important Part in the Oriental Question.

The United States Awaiting the Decision by the British Government.

Chicago, March 8.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: The Italian request touching China was spoken of to-day in a new light. The action of King Humbert indicates that Italy is the first government to recognize officially the new status of the United States among the powers. While information in possession of the authorities shows that Great Britain is diplomatically opposed to the Italian demands, it is apparent that Great Britain must within a very few days either directly reiterate her intention to maintain the integrity of China and support the "open door" policy, or announce a reversal of that policy.

It was stated to-day that no communication relative to the Chinese demands had passed between Secretary Hay and Sir Julian Pauncefote, but it would be surprising if there had not been a discussion in London between the American embassy and the British foreign office. The authorities are anxiously awaiting the announcement of Great Britain's policy, and it is felt that it is of great importance to the United States, in view of the commercial aspect of the Chinese question.

Cassini's Views.

New York, March 8.—A dispatch to the World from Washington says: The Russian ambassador, Count Cassini, speaking of the Chinese situation said: "There are so many ways of viewing the 'open door' proposal and so many interpretations placed upon it, that it is a delicate subject to discuss. I took issue with Lord Charles Bessford and I think made my position plain. Now a new aspect is presented, and we are faced with the position which Italy's action in China has made possible. It would seem now that the United States will be forced by the necessities of the case to take part in the deliberations of the nations concerning China's commercial interests. If the United States, to protect her vast commercial interests, sees fit to speak in deciding this important issue, Russia will be the first to welcome her and co-operate in finding a just and satisfactory solution of the difficulty."

Count Cassini is probably the best authority in Washington on certain phases of the Eastern question. He was for many years the czar's representative at Peking, and it was he who obtained from China the first important concessions regarding the Siberian railroad.

A Critical Situation.

Peking, March 8.—The Italian minister here regards as an insult the manner in which the Tsung Li Yamen, or Chinese foreign office, has treated Italy's demands for a cooling station at San Mung Bay and a rupture of diplomatic relations between Italy and China is probable. It is believed Russia has reiterated her protest against the British railroad loan in order to make the continental ground for complaint against the Chinese and thus seek compensation, territorial or otherwise.

A HIT AT SEATTLE.

San Francisco Will Provide Accommodation for Government Vessels.

San Francisco, March 8.—The board of state and harbor commissioners took action yesterday which insures ample accommodation for all transports and similar vessels in the service of the government on the Pacific. A resolution was adopted instructing the chief engineer to prepare plans and specifications for transforming Fremont street wharf into a covered dock. This action is expected to offset the efforts of the business men of Seattle to make that city the headquarters of the government's supply depot for troops in Hawaii and the Philippines.

GENEROUS KNIGHTS.

They Vote \$50,000 to the Catholic University at Washington.

New Haven, Conn., March 8.—The National Council of the Knights of Columbus, who are holding their convention in this city, has voted an endowment of \$50,000 to the Catholic University at Washington. The endowment is to establish a chair for historical research, and was voted at the conclusion of an address by Rev. Dr. Carrigan, of the University.

A GIGANTIC "COMBINE."

Proposed Consolidation of Eastern Coal and Railway Companies With Numerous Companies.

New York, March 8.—The World to-day says: "J. Pierpont Morgan returned yesterday on the Ketchikan and Greenock. He went aboard two months ago to secure the assent of the Reading Railroad's English stockholders to a plan that the Vandeventer, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Maxwell of New Jersey Central, and Truesdale, of the Delaware, Larkawanna

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and Western Companies, had formulated for the consolidation of all the great eastern coal interests under one management. Mr. Morgan when seen soon after his arrival was very reticent regarding his work in London. It is understood that his efforts have been successful. From men with whom he has talked, it is known that during his absence, a general explanation of the plan was learned. Hundreds of millions of dollars have been brought into one combination. A pro rata division of the coal output and of the profits has been outlined, though months will be required to adjust the details. It is estimated \$20,000,000 will be saved yearly in operating expenses. The companies said to be in the big deal are the Reading, Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, Pennsylvania, New York, Lake Erie and Western Coal and Iron Co., Pennsylvania Coal Co., New York, Ontario and Western Coal, Central Railroad of New Jersey, New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad, Schuylkill and Susquehanna Railroad Co., with a combined capital of more than eight hundred and eighty-nine millions of dollars.

News From Ottawa.

The Dominion Government Will Build the Telegraph Line To Dawson.

American Publishers Looking For a Site For a Paper Mill.

Ottawa, March 8.—The government has decided to construct a telegraph line to the Klondike country. The plan is to build a line between Lakes Bennett and Dawson City at once. At the same time surveys will be made to examine the country northward from Gesselle, B. C., which is the terminus of the present government system and see how to connect with the line to Dawson. The government will retain the line in its own possession, having decided that it is too valuable and too important from the standpoint of national safety to be allowed to get into any other hands.

It is understood that a number of American publishers will visit Ottawa next week with a view of securing a site for a paper mill to be located here in order to escape from the high prices in the United States caused by the paper trust.

After being in communication by telegraph all forenoon with city officials in regard to obtaining additional information about the \$100,000 by-law and marine railway matters, the Deadman's Island delegation presented their memorial to the government late this afternoon. It is a brief summary of the case as presented before the ministers yesterday.

CUBANS ARE STARVING.

Santiago de Cuba, March 8.—Colonel Hood cables from Holguin that intense excitement prevails there owing to the cessation of public works and that a mass meeting has been held at which the action of the United States military authorities at Havana was condemned as "false economy" and as the result of "centralization." Owing to the pressing necessity of the case Colonel Hood says he has issued rations to 700 heads of families suddenly thrown out of employment. He fears there will be a large increase in the criminal classes of his district. Practically the same news from all the other districts of Santiago province has reached here. Meanwhile money enough is lying idle in the banks to pay all that is due and to keep the men at work. Colonel Hood has requested the use of the former Spanish gunboat Baracoa, recently raised by the Americans, as a lighthouse tender.

SECEDES FROM CONSERVATIVES.

Lord Claud John Hamilton Says He Cannot Support Their Policy.

London, March 8.—Lord Claud John Hamilton, brother of the secretary of state for India, has seceded from the Conservative party. He asserts that "the foreign and colonial policy, home legislation and continual attacks upon property and capital are beneath contempt. Therefore," he says, "I can no longer support the administration."

As chairman of one of the principal railway companies, he says his secession was largely dictated by opposition to the automatic coupling bill, which involves what he considers a superfluous capital expenditure on railways.

Lord Claud John Hamilton is chairman of the Great Eastern Railway.

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Britain Will Support China

Important Announcement Made the British House of Commons.

No Power Will Be Allowed to Interfere With the Railroad Contract.

London, March 9.—In the House of Commons today the parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, the Right Hon. William St. John Broderick, replying to a question on the subject, said Her Majesty's government had not modified its undertaking to support China against a power committing aggression in China, because the latter had granted British power to make or permit to make a railroad or public work, but, he added, the government did not expect that a question of this description would arise with respect to the British contract, for the northern railroads.

The foregoing question and answer arose from the Russian protest against the British railroad contract, and the statement of the British minister at Peking, Sir Claude M. MacDonald, that any attempt to repudiate the contract would be regarded as a breach of faith meriting retributive measures. At the same time he recalled Lord Salisbury's assurance of support for China, if another power should attempt to force her to repudiate the contract.

POPE LEO'S CONDITION.

His Holiness is Reported to Be Making Rapid Progress Towards Recovery.

Rome, March 9.—An examination of Pope's wound was made today by Dr. Mazzoni, who found it was making excellent progress. His Holiness hopes to recommence his receptions shortly. The fact that Dr. Lipponi has again raised the rumor of the Pope's death, and that the Pope is suffering from a severe cancer, but his physicians unequivocally deny this. They say the patient has a good appetite and is recovering rapidly.

ARMING THE FILIPINOS.

An American Traveller Says Arms Are Supplied by a Firm in Shanghai.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 9.—Mr. H. M. Shoemaker, of this city, an author and traveller, has returned from a year's tour through India and the Philippines. He spent the greater part of the month of January in and about Manila, where he made a study of the Filipinos. He says self government by the Filipinos will be impossible, and that the natives would soon relapse into savagery. They are, he says, naturally a treacherous and unscrupulous race. They used the iron rule of good government to keep them within the bounds of civilization. The half-caste class in Manila, corresponding to the Mulatto, are the most intelligent.

INSPECTION OF UNITED STATES TROOPS.

Valletta, Island of Malta, March 9.—The United States transport Sheridan from New York on February 19 for Malta arrived here yesterday. By permission of the governor of Malta, General Sir Arthur James Lyon Freemantle, the American troops, consisting of 2,000 men, landed today and the governor attended by his staff, inspected them on the Florida parade grounds. Subsequently the Americans marched past the American troops, consisting of 2,000 men, landed today and the governor attended by his staff, inspected them on the Florida parade grounds. Subsequently the Americans marched past the American troops, consisting of 2,000 men, landed today and the governor attended by his staff, inspected them on the Florida parade grounds.

DEWEY'S HEALTH.

Washington, D.C., March 9.—When his attention was called to the statement that Admiral Dewey is breaking down and cannot last a month longer, Secretary Lamb said that he had no information whatever on this point. The stories of the admiral's ill health have been in circulation with more or less persistence for the past four months. They are all traceable to private reports, and though the officers of the navy who have returned recently from Manila state that Dewey's health so far as it could be gauged from his appearance, is about the same as it has been for the past year, they agree that the private reports probably have a basis of fact. Dewey will be 62 years of age on December 31, and for many years has not been a strong man physically.

REMEMBRANCE OF THE REMAINS.

Washington, D.C., March 9.—The remains of the late Admiral Dewey, which were taken to Manila by the transport Sheridan, were returned to the United States by the transport Sheridan, which arrived here yesterday. The remains were taken to Manila by the transport Sheridan, which arrived here yesterday. The remains were taken to Manila by the transport Sheridan, which arrived here yesterday.

PAPAL NUNCIUS DEAD.

Rome, March 9.—Mr. Clari, the Papal nuncio here, who was stricken with apoplexy yesterday, is dead.

CONTINUES TO IMPROVE.

New York, March 9.—Kipling continues to make steady progress toward recovery. His sleep is better and more refreshing, lasting several hours at a time. His brain power is still impaired, but that is only a temporary condition resulting from extreme physical sickness. Only one nerve remained in Mr. Kipling's room last night, and there were no calls for her services.

MAIL BAGS RECOVERED.

London, March 9.—Six mail bags belonging to the Dominion line steamer Labrador, which was wrecked about four miles from Skerryvore, off the coast of Scotland, on March 1st, while on her way from St. John, N.B., to Liverpool, have been recovered.

HER HEAD CRUSHED IN.

Murderous Assault by an Unknown Man in New York—He Used a Brick.

New York, March 9.—Apparently for some trivial reason a man crushed in a woman's skull with a brick early this morning at Thirteenth street and Fourth avenue. The police are trying to find the man who fled after the assault, leaving the woman unconscious on the sidewalk. Kitty Costello, 19 years old, is at the Bellevue hospital, and will probably die in a few hours. The man and Kitty, evidently strangers to each other, met at the street corner this morning. What started the quarrel is a mystery.

DR. RAFFAELI'S SUCCESSOR.

Washington, March 9.—The state department has been informed that Dr. Raffaeli has been named by the German government to replace Dr. John Raffaeli, the late president of the municipal council at Apia, who has just arrived at San Francisco on his way back to Berlin.

SPERM ON BLACK SEA.

St. Petersburg, March 9.—A hurricane raged over the Black Sea for four days and numerous casualties among shipping have been reported. Two English steamers are ashore near Potti, a Turkish steamer has been wrecked and a sailing ship bound for Theodosia has been sunk. The crew of the latter perished.

ELECTION IN ENGLAND.

London, March 9.—In the election yesterday in Elland division, west riding of Yorkshire, for a successor in parliament to Mr. Thomas Wayne, Liberal, resigned, the Liberal candidate, Mr. Charles P. Trevelyan, was elected by a majority of 984. At the last election the Liberal majority was 306.

MOB LAW IN MISSOURI.

Missouri City, Mo., March 9.—This morning sixty masked men battered down the jail door and seized Obit Sumner, who was locked up on a charge of vagrancy. They took him to the public school ground, stripped him, tied him to a tree, and lashed him forty times with a twisted grass rope. He was then released and warned to leave Clay county and never return. The mob afterwards secured Jim Jackson, Jesse Yates, Jr., Jos. Ashby, Dennis Stevens and Ben Monkers. The five prisoners were taken to and imprisoned in the county jail and admonished to leave Clay county. The victims declare that they do not know why they were punished.

VICTORIA BATTALION.

List of Promotions Among the Officers of the Local Battalion Announced Today.

Ottawa, March 9.—(Special)—The writ has been issued for the election in Lewis. The nomination takes place on the 22nd and the election on the 20th instant. The following officers were gazetted today: Fifth British Columbia Regiment, 1st battalion, to be major, Lieutenant J. P. Hibben; to be captain, Lieutenant B. H. D. Drake; to be 2nd lieutenant, provisionally, H. McA. Graham; to be surgeon-major, E. C. Hart, M. D., vice G. Dunne, M. D., retired. Lieutenant-Colonel Otter, Lieutenant-Colonel Hon. M. G. Gibson, Hamilton, and Lieutenant-Colonel Irwin, Ottawa, have been appointed honorary A. D. C.'s to Lord Minto.

ANOTHER BIG NUGGET.

Weighting Over Twenty Pounds in Western Australia.

San Francisco, March 9.—The steamer Alameda brings news of the finding of a gold nugget in Western Australia weighing twenty and a half pounds.

A FATHER'S GRIEF.

Committed Suicide Because His Daughter Was Arrested.

New York, March 9.—Ralph Seither killed himself in his room in Newark today because his 14-year-old daughter had been arrested for stealing \$15. In the police court today, when the judge heard of the father's suicide, he remitted a fine of \$15 he had imposed and allowed the fatherless girl to go free.

Protecting Her Majesty

Extraordinary Precautions Taken by Government to Guard the Queen.

British Sovereign Will Proceed to the Riviera Through Lines of Soldiers.

London, March 9.—The Queen has postponed her departure to the south of France until Saturday next, in consequence of a storm in the channel.

The postponement of Her Majesty's departure is a striking illustration of the extreme care and of the precautions with which she is surrounded. Instead of going in her own yacht to Cherbourg, as usual, she decided to avoid the long sea trip and go from Folkestone to Boulogne-Sur-Mer in a special passenger boat, which has been chartered for the eighty minutes' trip. All sorts of stabling and platforms had been erected at Folkestone, where Rear Admiral John Fullerton, aide-de-camp to the Queen, who has been in command of the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, since 1884, and a host of court officials, have been superintending the arrangements. Two trial trips have already been made and everything was in readiness to-day.

At Boulogne-Sur-Mer, in addition to the large force of gendarmes and custom house officials, two battalions of infantry were in readiness, while the entire railroad line to Nice was guarded by soldiers, posted at intervals, supplementing the usual force of railroad employees detailed for duty in such emergencies. The French government is taking unusual precautions on account of the supposed hostility of a portion of the people to the Queen.

BRITAIN'S ONLY POLICY.

Lord Charles Bessford Thinks There Will Be War Unless the Open Door is Maintained.

London, March 9.—A representative of the Associated Press interviewed Lord Charles Bessford on his return from a tour around the world. Lord Charles reiterated his well-known views on the subject of the "open door" in China, as the only policy of Great Britain. He said that there would be war unless the "open door" policy should be adhered to.

POSTMASTER ARRESTED.

He is Held on a Charge of Tampering With the Mails.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 9.—Edward F. Bogard, postmaster of Wilkesbarre, was arrested today charged with tampering with the United States mails. About two months ago several complaints were lodged with the postal authorities at Washington that the mail was disappearing, or that which they received bore evidence of having been opened by a steaming process. Detectives found the postmaster seated at his desk on which were three letters addressed to prominent business men of this city, and all of them open. Mr. Bogard, besides being the editor of the Evening Leader of this city, is a member of a large number of lodges and for the past ten or twelve years has been an active member of the baseball association. The news of his arrest has created a sensation.

ROYALTY TO VISIT THE STATES.

Prince Henry of Prussia and His Wife Will Return From China by Way of America.

Berlin, March 9.—It is stated that in pursuance of the Emperor's order, Prince Henry of Prussia and his wife, the Princess Irene, who are both in China, will return in the spring of 1900 by way of America, going with three first-class warships around Cape Horn. They will visit the Eastern cities of the United States. It is the Emperor's idea thus to complete the friendly entente with the United States, which he is cultivating.

EXTRADITION REFUSED.

Leithbridge, N.W.T., March 9.—An interesting case was concluded here today. David Eckley, an American citizen, charged with burning in April last, in Butte, Montana, a building which cost a quarter of a million dollars, belonging to the Alaska Copper Mining Co., was brought to the object of the arrest was to extradite the prisoner, and the case was argued before Judge Rouleau and an extradition commissioner. Mr. Gerny appearing for the state of Montana, together with Mr. Conroy, C. C., of Leithbridge. Mr. Harris, of Macleod, defended the prisoner.

The commissioner gave a lengthy summary of the case, and finally decided in favor of the prisoner, chiefly upon the following grounds: The prosecution failed to show that the charge was laid by the state of Montana, no delicto was proved, and there was no important evidence to show his guilt; the most damaging evidence having been given by a woman of no acknowledged religion and not corroborated.

A Martyr's Death.

Rev. Father Victorien, a Catholic Missionary Murdered With Revolting Cruelties.

Savage Chinese Torture Him Barbarically—Details of the Atrocity.

China has been the scene of the death of many missionary martyrs, but it is doubtful if any have been so cruelly tortured as was the latest to give his life for the promulgation of the gospel among the heathen—Rev. Father Victorien, a Catholic missionary at Hwei-Fei. The China Mail gives the particulars of the murder and horrible mutilation of the reverend father. For some time past there has been a feeling of enmity against the Catholics smoldering among the evil disposed, and this at last came to a head in the case of the Catholic converts at Shikushan. Father Victorien first made his escape, but was so unfortunate as to be caught by a roving band of rioters, who, after beating him cruelly and stripping him almost naked, tied him on a board and brought him in triumph back to his former home, where a large band of rioters were assembled whose evil passions had been stirred up by the burning out and slaying of converts in which they had been indulging. In sight of his late home they tied the poor priest up to a tree, and here he would gladly draw a veil over the rest of this ghastly scene, but that I feel that the world should know of what the Chinese, in their hour of triumph over a defenceless foreigner, are capable, and I would warn all readers who are inclined to be ungenerous to read no further, or to turn away from the details of this atrocious deed.

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The Situation at Dawson

In Two Months Time Hundreds of People Will Be Without Food.

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Washington, March 9.—The United States consul at Dawson, Mr. J. C. McCook, under date of January 4th, informs the department of state concerning the condition of the people there as follows:

"The situation as to persons who will be out of food in a couple of months is becoming very serious. Many hundreds will be taken care of by the relief committee and by the local authorities, the latter seeing the necessity of taking a hand in relief work. The destitute child, while many of them are not paupers in the strict sense of the word, being temporarily without funds, are compelled to call on the relief committee and finally pay when they receive remittances from the outside. The relief committee at this place is unable to extend any more aid as all funds collected have been exhausted, and they are some two thousand dollars in debt. The greatest evil, however, will be the large number of people who will have exhausted their supplies and who will fall to succeed in getting paying claims. I know it is not customary for a nation to provide for destitute citizens of their own country, still I feel it my duty to put this matter before you to take whatever action you deem best."

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Along the Waterfront.

Capt. Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, returned last evening from Nelson, where he has been conducting an investigation into the cause which led to the wreck of the steamer Ainsworth on Kootenay lake last winter.

As will be remembered, the steamer was caught on her side and sank. Nine persons lost their lives in the disaster; six of the crew, the mate, steward, cook, two firemen, and one deck hand and three passengers. The evidence of Captain Lein, the second mate, two deck hands, two passengers, the builder and three who at one time or other were owners of the lost vessel, was taken by Capt. Gaudin, and is now being typewritten for submission to Ottawa. There was nothing in the evidence to throw any more light on the disaster. The steamer was shown, was swamped, and falling on her side filled and sank. One thing was proven, however, and this was that had there not been so great a hurry to leave the lost river steamer, without doubt loss of life would not have resulted. The drowned men, it seems, swamped the boat, in which they might have found safety, in their haste to leave the steamer.

Steamer Amur sailed from Port's wharf at noon for the north, carrying a large number of prospectors, the greater part of her accommodation being taken up. A partial list of the passengers, which, as will be seen, includes a number of Victorians, is as follows: F. Dickinson, E. P. Colley, F. Ewart, W. J. B. Cowell, James McNamee, H. C. McLeod, J. Abernethy, F. Broderick, A. McKay, Mrs. Chivilianson, A. R. Edg, G. Thorne, James Smith, William Smith, C. Gardiner, C. E. Gardiner, J. H. Watson, P. E. Jarson, O. Graham, J. Ball, C. Rivar, C. W. Dellgren, E. Larsen, J. Tracey, F. Lever, C. Chonoy, D. McCrimmon, J. K. Conde, W. McGill, B. C. Howell, James Hog, H. M. Wilson, J. R. Noot, J. Marshall, J. A. McLean, W. H. Thompson, The company there were also 14 equine and 26 canine passengers. The hold was well filled with freight, mostly supplies for the northern merchants. The Danube will follow the Amur to Lem canal at ten o'clock this evening. She will be well filled with freight, including big shipments of lumber for the river steamer being built at Lake Bennett by Captains Irving and Armstrong. Those ticketed to sail on her up to the time of going to press were for Skagway, Capt. John Irving, who goes to Bennett to look after the construction of the river steamer Mr. and Mrs. Melvieux and daughter, Mr. and wife, F. Holland and wife, Mrs. Morrison, Thos. and Miss Tugwell, who go to Log Cabin, De Forest Yates, Dr. Kinloch and party of ten, Messrs. McDonald, Warwick and Baxter, J. Bennett, of the Victoria Truck and Dray Company, and a party of five Victorians. A party of prospectors who are bound to some placer diggings on the upper Skeena, the whereabouts of which none of them will divulge. The expedition is a most mysterious one, and each member claims that he has been sworn to secrecy. The majority of the passengers on the Amur, and those who intend sailing on the Danube, are bound to the Atlin district.

The old rumor that the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company would shortly place a good sized steamer on the coast route from Vancouver, was revived in local shipping circles this morning by the news of the proposed steamer already has steamed on the west coast, and business men of Victoria have recently strongly advocated steamer accommodation up the inner channel, claiming that a good deal of the trade of the strait is now being done by the coasters, and that any action at present, at least, will be taken. The trade up the coast has increased greatly since last year, so much so that the Union Steamship Company is finding it necessary to place their steamers on the route, and a still larger and more commodious steamer is, it is said, to be put into service. Mr. Darling, manager of the Union Steamship Company, has reported the sinking of the tug James Bowen with twelve persons on board. The Bowen, having the mud barge Admiral in tow, was caught in a gale and sprung a leak outside of the Cape. The Albino sighted the barge in distress, and after a hard battle with the waves succeeded in taking off the captain and crew of the sinking barge. The second mate of the Albino was washed overboard while making the rescue.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

Albany, N.Y., March 9.—Mr. Maher's bill abolishing capital punishment, on the order of third reading, was made a special order for Monday evening in the assembly.

A GARD.

Reverend A. H. Macfarlane, Frankfort, Ont., advises all men who are weak and who desire a speedy and perfect cure to write to DR. G. H. ROBERTS, 252 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Westminster Water Works

Mr. A. McL. Hawks, the Expert Reports on His Investigation.

Some Practical Points of Value Regarding Improvements to the System.

Mr. A. McL. Hawks, consulting engineer, in a report to the City Council made a thorough expert investigation of the New Westminster water works, presented a full and exhaustive report of the same to the council, at its last meeting. The report, embracing all the essential features, is given below, is conveniently divided by the engineer into five topics or divisions, namely: Examination of pipe line; advisability of constructing a dam at the intake; gauging the delivery of water at the reservoir; advisability of building a low service reservoir; other desirable improvements and additions.

Examination of Pipe Line.
Under this heading Mr. Hawks says: "On February 9th, in company with Aldermen Gilley and Peck (the latter as chairman of the water committee), I drove to the intake on Coquitlam river, near the lake, to inspect the surroundings. While there the water in the intake was observed, the height of water at twelve noon, being 428.26 feet elevation above datum. Wm. Henderson was left at the patrol house to observe hourly readings of the height of water in the intake well for the next two days."

The pipe line, Mr. Hawks continues, was traversed on February 11th by him, accompanied by Ald. Peck, from the reservoir to the lake. At no point was any air-lock or mud deposit found, but the constant flow of water might be retarded or reduced. Nor was there any external indication that the excessive weight of the covering of earth had fattened the steel main. Under the engineer's direction, Foreman Ankers examined all the blow-offs (eighteen) and air-valves (seventeen), and the water was found free from silt and no air was confined in the valves.

Advisability of Constructing a Dam.
The advisability of constructing a dam at the intake is gone into thoroughly in the report. The flow of the main at the minimum head, 31.03 feet (as per Judge Harrison's report), will furnish 564,200 imperial gallons of water per diem. With a head of 41.3 feet, the discharge will be 610,850 imperial gallons per diem; with a head of 51.03 feet, the discharge will be 651,450 imperial gallons; with a fifteen-foot head, the discharge will be 681,200 gallons; and with a twenty-foot head, and 51.03 feet head, 726,000 gallons. These figures are slightly above what may be expected, as the coefficient N-0.13 (on which the calculations are based), is somewhat higher than generally accepted by hydraulic engineers for this type of pipe. From the above figures it will be seen, says Mr. Hawks, that the computed increase, due to the dam, at the intake will be 182,400 gallons per day, or nearly thirty per cent. of the present flow. This gain, says the engineer, is worthy of serious consideration if it can be secured without excessive expenditure.

From an inspection of the probable site the cost of a dam is roughly estimated at \$15,000. This amount should give a cedar-cribbed dam, twenty feet high, twenty feet wide on top, and widening to thirty feet at the bottom, filled with boulders, sheeted on the upstream face, and provided on the downstream face with a strong apron to catch the overflow.

It is considered feasible to continue the investigations along this line, the engineer recommends that a topographical map may be made of the outlet of Coquitlam lake, between the lake and the patrol house, and that the surrounding shores of the lake be thoroughly reconnoitred, so that a good idea may be had of the nature of the land which would be submerged were such a dam constructed, "and the possibility of such submergence," adds the engineer, "causing pollution of your present wonderfully pure water supply." For this purpose the submerged land should be divided into three classes—swamp, timber and barrens.

Mr. Hawks also says that a dam constructed at the outlet of Coquitlam Lake might have a value to the city, apart from its service to the city's water supply, by furnishing power with which to operate the city's electric light plant, and he estimates that such a dam would give a nominal force of 200 horse power. Moreover, such a dam would prevent the variation in the head of water at the lake or the reservoir, as at present, according as it happens to be high or low water season. In this connection, he says, that if the city does construct such a dam some private corporation may do so, in which case, as user of the water, the city might be liable to impose conditions, besides the amount expense, reaping the benefit of the additional head upon its supply main. With the above facts in view Mr. Hawks advises that the dam be not constructed at present, but held as a reserve.

Gauging the Delivery.
Mr. Hawks then takes up the matter of gauging the delivery of water at the reservoir, and describes the method actually pursued on February 17th. The dam was gauged by gauging the quantity of water which flowed into the masonry reservoir from 8:45 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., at which time the water rose 16.1-10 inches. The reservoir, at this test, measured 32,149 square feet, average area, was submerged 1.34 feet in 245 cubic feet, giving a volume of 17,620 cubic feet, allowing 80 cubic feet for voids in the masonry, a total of 17,700 cubic feet. Dividing this total by 14,700 seconds (41.67 hours) gives 1,204 cubic feet per second, or 104,040 cubic feet per diem. The tests made produced practically the same result.

Mr. Hawks then remarks: "In connection with the flow through your

main, the head which you will have to consider as your effective working head must necessarily be that minimum head which will result from the conditions of your reservoir being at its fullest stage, and computations based on any other than those conditions are misleading.

"From the judge's report re fire investigation, with the reservoir full and the river at low water stage, as observed, the minimum head is 31.03 feet; using coefficient friction N-0.13, this head will give a discharge of 564,200 imperial gallons per diem.

"From the judge's report, with a mean head of 37 feet, which is called the average head, using the same coefficient, the discharge is 610,850 gallons per diem.

"From the judge's report, with a maximum head (the reservoir inlet being covered, and the river at full stage), of 50.25 feet, the discharge equals 721,450 gallons per diem.

"When the by-pass pipe is in use, under varying conditions, it serves a varying purpose. If the reservoir is full, and the draught upon it becomes so great as to make the outflow exceed the amount of water coming in, the opening of the by-pass throws a small additional discharge into the 22-inch main; inasmuch as the distance to the city, via the by-pass, is 1,500 feet shorter than via the reservoir, and also that the hydraulic grade is lowered somewhat. As the water in the reservoir draws down, the by-pass becomes more effective, until finally, when the reservoir is emptied, or the gate leading to it is closed, so as to throw the whole discharge upon the by-pass, the new hydraulic grade comes into effect, having the summit of the by-pass for its lower extremity, in place of the surface should be observed that in using the by-pass in this manner the entire effect of the reservoir is lost to the city; no surplus water is stored against the city's requirement in case of sudden draught for fire, nor reserve supply in case of break in the 14-inch main. In fact, if a direct supply main to the city were to be considered only, it would have been better to have brought the main in at a considerably lower elevation. However, I have computed the inflow, with the reservoir cut out, and a head of 51 feet, upon the pipe at the summit of the by-pass, which gives, with N-0.13, a discharge of 916,650 gallons per diem, or nearly 97,000 gallons (about 18 per cent) more than the flow at the minimum head. In this connection, I beg to caution you against depending too much upon this by-pass as a relief from the drain upon your waterworks system from over-draughts, lest from a little negligence an occasion might arise when there is urgent need for a full supply of water, and it is found that the reservoir has been drawn down and left in that condition; the supply to the city not having given out, and therefore the citizens themselves being unaware of such a condition of affairs. It is much safer to provide the citizens to suffer a little from shortage of water and maintain a reservoir supply rather than that they should be permitted to use, even to waste, water at the expense of the reservoir."

A Clerical Error.
Mr. Hawks then refers to a certain clerical error, obvious to one familiar with such work, in a former report he had made on these waterworks, in April, 1896. His report having been criticized, he proceeds at some length, to show where the criticism is in error, and in way of justifying himself. Mr. Hawks then compares at length the two filling tests, made by him in April, 1896, and February, 1897, which, in brief form, shows that in April, 1896, with a head of 32.2 feet, the water discharged into the reservoir at the rate of .90 cubic feet per second, 35,436 per diem, or 640,770 gallons; while in February, 1897, with a head of 41.3 feet, the discharge was 1,204 cubic feet per second, 104,026 per diem, or 780,200 gallons. This latter is within a small percentage of the original estimate of sixty gallons per diem per capita for 13,300 people. It must be remembered, however, points out the engineer, that when this test was made, the water at the head-gate was 430.3 elevation above city datum; whereas, in the judge's report, the observed height of low water in the Coquitlam at the intake was only 428.11 feet, and that the inflow pipe at the reservoir was, instead of the reservoir being filled to 397.75 feet above city datum.

Containing the report states that in order for the 14-inch main to supply 100,200 cubic feet per diem, the discharge must be as great as 1.22 cubic feet per second, which will require a 41.5 feet head, which means that with the surface of the reservoir at 397.95 feet elevation, the river must be at 439.45 feet elevation, or more than ten feet above the observed low stage; or, if the reservoir be completed to hold water at 400 feet above city datum, the river must be at 441.5 feet above city datum, or more than twelve feet above observed low water stage, to obtain which result a dam at least ten feet high must be constructed at the intake. "With all the factors as now are, the reservoir filled to 397.75 feet elevation above datum, and the observed height of low water in the Coquitlam at the inlet being 428.11 feet above datum, a discharge of more than 677,000 U.S. gallons per diem cannot be depended upon through the 14-inch main."

Low Service Reservoir.
Under this important heading Mr. Hawks says: "In the matter of the advisability of building a low-service reservoir, the time seems to have arrived when such a reservoir has become a necessity. Through the excessive use of water for irrigation and like purposes in the summer season, and through the waste of water from allowing taps to run to prevent freezing during cold snaps in the winter season, the delivery of the 14-inch main into the high service reservoir has been exceeded, and upon many occasions the reservoir has been drawn down, upon several occasions has been drained, and has placed the city waterworks at a disadvantage and the city at great hazard from fire. This must not be permitted to continue, and one of the primary reasons for constructing such works and one of the great advantages to be derived from such works, the reduction of fire risks and consequent saving on premiums to the community, will be lost."

Mr. Hawks then submits plans and profiles, together with an outline of a means to abate the trouble and avoid

danger, which, for the purposes of present economy, may be constructed along the following lines:

"First. An 18-inch wood stave pipe to be taken on the 14-inch main at Richmond street, and follow along the lower side of that street to the penitentiary grounds, crossing these grounds in a direct line, to enter the street bounding Block III, of the asylum plot; thence crossing the Boulevard into Queen's Park, and across the park to the reservoir site. This pipe being of larger diameter and smoother interior surface than the 14-inch steel main, will act solely as a conduit to convey the water flowing to it from the 14-inch main into the reservoir. It is designed, therefore, to carry only the pressure due to its distance below the hydraulic grade shown on the map. From the nature of the matter, it might be used to throw the pressure of the high service reservoir and 14-inch main into the city distribution; but, to avoid constant use for this purpose, the pipe should be so placed as to interfere with both being opened at the same time.

"Second. The reservoir site in Queen's Park, near the lower end of the bicycle track, is well suited for this purpose, and for a reservoir 130x230 feet, bottom area, which, with 10 feet depth of water, will store 336,000 cubic feet, or about 2,250,000 U.S. gallons. The highest bank on the lower side of this reservoir will retain a head of about 8 feet of water; as there is ample material from the excavation of the basin, the bank of this pipe will be so wide as to preclude any danger whatever from landslides or break. The depth of 10 feet is selected on account of the economy in making the excavation, and also for the reason that thereby the loss of head between full reservoir and low water in reservoir is least. With water of the purity of your supply and freedom from algae and other microscopic growths, there is no danger of such pollution as is usually incident to shallow reservoirs.

"Third. Connection with city distribution should be made with cast-iron mains of ample size to permit free flow from this reservoir into the low service. As, under normal conditions, there will be little pressure upon these mains, I have specified them as light weight as is consistent with good casting.

"At some future time, when the expense can be more easily borne, the 18-inch stave pipe, which should be covered at present not more than a foot, can be uncovered, and by the addition of extra bands, changed from a conduit into a pressure pipe to carry the full head of the river, if necessary. At the same time another reservoir can be built in Queen's Park beside the present proposed reservoir, of somewhat larger capacity.

"At the same time, a 10-inch cast iron main can be taken off this 18-inch main and carried up First street to a stand-pipe, on the summit of the hill, near Fourth avenue. The stand-pipe may be built of wood, of 8-inch diameter and high enough to prevent the water from overflowing (say, 405 elevation), which will supply high service on the hill, and contain about 20,000 gallons, above the 335 feet level.

"When this work has been completed, the city can be entirely supplied through this set of conduits, the gates of which will be located in or near the reservoir in Queen's Park. By means of the latest devices, all these gates may be operated hydraulically from some central point (say, the City Hall or fire station), in case the foreman of the city system is not at the reservoir at the time when such services are required.

"When the reservoir and the 18-inch conduit are completed, the delivery through the 14-inch main will be determined by the conditions of low water in the Coquitlam at 428.11 feet elevation, and the grade at Richmond street and Eighth avenue taken as 258 elevation, which gives an effective head of 171.1 feet. By Kutner's formula, using N-0.13, the discharge will be 2,516 cubic feet per second, or about 1,600,000 U.S. gallons per diem; therefore, by discharge for 16 hours into low service reservoir, there will be supplied for low service about 1,000,000 gallons. If the remaining 8 hours the discharge be turned into high service reservoir the supply will be about 227,500 gallons, or 110 gallons per capita for 2,070 persons. As there are now 406 services in the high service system of which 80 are in Sapperton, and can be conveniently supplied by placing a "T" on the 18-inch main, thus changing them into the low service system, it is probable the 8-hour flow will be sufficient to supply the high service system, even during the irrigation period in summer.

"As a fire protection for the lower portion of the city the Queen's Park Reservoir will prove an efficient one. With the reservoir standing full at 250 feet elevation, the hydrant at the post-office corner, at 34 feet elevation, will show a standing pressure of about 90 pounds. From what I have learned of the distribution system, I judge that it will supply water fast enough to maintain a pressure at the hose nozzle, with 200 feet of best rubber hose coupled up, with a 1/4-inch ring nozzle, which will discharge 220 gallons per minute, the stream reaching 133 feet vertical distance, or 100 feet vertical distance, from the nozzle of the hose as held by pipe-men; or, with a 1/4-inch smooth nozzle, will discharge 250 gallons per minute, the stream reaching 124 feet linear, or 90 feet vertical, distance from the nozzle, held by pipe-men. These are the standard manufacturers' tests, as carried out by the city of Boston, and if they cannot be met in this city there is something wrong, either with the distribution system or the apparatus. Only one hose should be attached to a hydrant, if the supply main to the hydrant be only 6-inches diameter; otherwise, friction in the supply main will reduce the nozzle pressure."

Other Desirable Improvements.
"Most prominent under this head," says the engineer, "are the little devices in the shape of siphones to be used by inspectors in detecting water waste and water leaks in house services. To the ordinary man, such a slight matter as the dripping from a water tap means nothing." Experiments were made in Philadelphia, however, showed that one drop per second made a waste of about 5 gallons per day; and that the smallest kind of a stream from a tap meant a waste of 20 gallons per day. "In a waterworks system, with 1,000 services in use, this may mean a very serious loss, which loss may be easily detected by means of careful nightly inspection with these devices. I therefore recommend

that you purchase two of them for this purpose.

"Along the same line I would recommend the installation of two 'Venturi' meters on your 14-inch supply main, one immediately below your patrol house and one near the proposed 'Y' on Eighth avenue. These meters read the total water flowing through the main, in cubic feet per diem, main down Mary (Sixth) street to the quantity of water supplied daily to the city; and in checking one by the other, determine whether there is any waste or loss between the two meters.

"At places along the pipe line, more especially at a brook near Cape Horn, the 14-inch steel main is uncovered, and the coating has been worn off. This is a dangerous condition to allow it to fall into the profile. As the water has been the same way for some time and should be promptly attended to.

"There is pressing need of a 14-inch gate at the head of Mary street, where the gates at the take-off 'Y' (Sixth) street is taken off the 22-inch main. At present there is no gate nearer than the reservoir to cut the water off this main, or in any of the east connections along it, especially near the lower end, where the sand approximates 150 feet, the danger which would be wrought by the out-rush of waters before they could be cut off, would be very great. This hazard should be no longer taken.

"The outlet of the reservoir, not far from the gate house, a stand-pipe, 8 inches in diameter, should be carried up ten feet above the embankment, in order that in case of a break in the 14-inch main, while the water in the reservoir stands above the mouth of the inlet pipe, there may be an ample supply of air to take the place of the out-rushing water, and thus prevent a collapse of the pipe.

"It would be an advantage to have a gauge in the reservoir, which, instead of reading heights above the bottom of the reservoir, would read thousands of cubic feet of water in reserve. A glance at this would always determine when the reserve supply was at that time, and no errors of calculation could enter it.

"A telephone line from the City Hall to the reservoir is almost a necessity. In construction work similar to this it was my invariable custom to stretch a telephone wire before attempting any other portion of the work. Such a line, extended to the patrol house at the lake, and Foreman Ankers equipped with what is known as a 'converse' telephone, which will cut in on the line at any point and connect with headquarters, will save in time expense and worry, probably more than its rental, every year.

"When the reservoir and conduit are constructed, as soon thereafter as is convenient, a keeper's house should be built in the immediate vicinity. As these plans are carried forward, more and more the important connections centered about this point. A telephone should connect directly from the City Hall or fire station with the keeper's house, in order that even the short time which would be spent in travelling from the fire station to the reservoir in time of an emergency might not be lost. More and more it is becoming realized that the first minutes of the fire is the time in which to submit the estimate, and no one who can handle the connections the better arranged is the system for such service.

"In these latter recommendations I have not attempted to estimate the cost, as I have not the date at hand for so doing. I beg to remain, my dear sirs, Yours very truly, A. McL. HAWKS, Civil Engineer."

Mr. Hawks gave \$20,015 as a preliminary estimate of the cost of the 18-inch wooden conduit and low service reservoir, and appends an itemized list of the sums making this aggregate.

'Tis But the After Effects of Grippe and the Common Diseases That Make People Look So Weak and Death-like.
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The Great Disease Banisher and True Health Builder.

The writer a few days ago enjoyed a half hour walk with a well-known physician on one of Montreal's crowded business streets. Meeting with a great many pale and sallow-faced men and women—young and middle-aged—the writer asked his physician friend the question, "Doctor, we are passing scores of sick-looking people; does this fact prove that we are deteriorating as a people in health and general physical development?" The physician's answer was very much as follows: "A large number of sick-looking and half-well people have passed us to-day, which, I am sure has prompted your question. You must remember that grippe has been epidemic during the winter, and has left thousands in a sad condition of health; then there are other common causes of sickness that have been operating, such as indigestion, headaches, digestive disturbances, blood troubles, rheumatism, and kidney and liver ailments. All these have contributed to sickness and death this year, and those we have passed are but a few of the victims. The same conditions exist in all countries, and I would not care to state positively that as a people we are deteriorating in true manhood and womanhood. Early attention to, and sensible care and treatment of, present weaknesses will bring all back to good health."

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Steamer Queen City returned last evening from Kyquoot and way ports on the west coast of the island. She brings news of a double drowning on the Gordon river, of which C. Erickson and Hans Newbury, Swedes, employed on the schooner Minnie, were the victims. They left the schooner on a hunting excursion, and in going over the bar of the river in a small boat were upset. The bodies have not been found, but there is little doubt of the fate of the men as the boat was subsequently recovered, being bottom up when found. Erickson was 26 years of age and Newbury 24. Neither had any relatives in this city. The Queen City reports having spoken the following sealing schooners: The Aretis at Kyquoot; the Ainoka at Hesquout; the Umbria and Dora Sieward at Ahonett; the Viva Otto and Borealis at Clayoquot; the Favorite in Barclay Sound, and the Minnie at San Juan. Heavy seas and strong westerly winds were experienced by the Queen City on the trip. Among her passengers were Mr. William Munroe, of sealing fame; Alvin Engvits, bookkeeper in Mr. T. Earle's store at Clayoquot; George Brown, Miss Armstrong, G. H. Hall, A. Wilkinson and Judge Kinney of Alberni. Captain Campbell, of the schooner Umbria, was also among the passengers, but schooner now going to sea with her owner, J. W. Peppet, in charge.

THE TALBOT READY TO SAIL.
New York, March 8.—The body of Lord Herschell lies in its mahogany casket in the cabin of the cruiser Talbot. The Talbot will leave her anchorage, abreast of Liberty Island, this morning. She will receive a salute of seventeen guns from Fort Wadsworth as she sails through the narrows for England.

NORTHERN PACIFIC EXTENSION
Tacoma, Wn., March 8.—It is reported that the Northern Pacific Railway is preparing to build a line from Black River Junction to Anacortes. It is said a branch will run to Renton coal mines. It is understood the Northern Pacific has surveyed a route from Black River Junction by the way of Lake Washington.

THE KIPLINGS IMPROVING.
New York, March 8.—Last night in Redyard Kipling's apartments at the Hotel Grenoble was the quietest since the author was taken ill. Only the nurse was astrid. The patient rested comfortably all night, his sleep being natural, as it has been for several days. Elsie Kipling, the three-year-old invalid, also had a comfortable night and is improving steadily.

Discussing Legislation

Council of the Board of Trade Confer With the City Representatives.

Matters of Interest To Be Called to Attention of Dominion Government.

Indications of a Change of Sentiment Regarding the Corbin Charter.

An important and decidedly interesting meeting of the Council of the British Columbia Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon in the board room. The meeting took the form of a consultation between the members of the council and the representatives of the city in the Dominion parliament in regard to what action the government at Ottawa should be asked to take upon matters of interest to the people of Victoria and British Columbia generally.

The minutes of the last meeting of the council were read and duly adopted. Secretary Elworthy then announced that the following members of the council were present: Messrs. F. O. Davidge, A. G. McCandless, D. R. Ker, W. H. Bone, R. Erskine, L. G. McQuinn, Lindley Crease, T. W. Atkin, J. P. Captain Cox and Secretary Elworthy.

The first matter dealt with was suggested by the chairman, the proposed harbor improvements as outlined by architect Sorby. Col. Prior said the matter was brought up last session and had since that time been under the consideration of the committee on harbor matters. Mr. Erskine said he had nothing to say to the council, but as they had taken up matters of interest to the people of Victoria he would say a few words.

The Sorby Harbor Scheme. The first matter dealt with was suggested by the chairman, the proposed harbor improvements as outlined by architect Sorby. Col. Prior said the matter was brought up last session and had since that time been under the consideration of the committee on harbor matters.

Mr. Erskine asked if anything was going to be done at Ottawa during the coming session in regard to the Sorby harbor improvements. Col. Prior replied that he thought the matter now rested between the two governments. He and Mr. Erskine had consulted the members of the government and they had agreed to refer the matter to the Dominion government.

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be altogether out of proportion to the cost. Mr. McCandless had had many conversations with Mr. Sorby in regard to the matter, and knew that gentleman was very willing to meet any commission and lay before them the details of his plan.

Mr. McCandless was here informed that the council at a meeting held during the day had appropriated the sum of \$2,500 for that purpose, which Mr. McCandless was very glad to hear. He believed it was necessary that the matter should be gone into thoroughly and at once.

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new regulations cannot be kept up. They are simply inoperative. The fishermen themselves were beginning to flout the law, and it was not until the necessary residence qualification was changed, and the necessary preparations on the basis of the old ones. He had already discussed the matter with the Minister and with Professor Prince, but would go into the subject again when he reached the capital.

Joint High Commission. In reply to a question by the chairman, Captain Cox said he had nothing to bring up about the commission, nor was there anything he wished to say.

More Harbor Lights. Col. Prior asked if there were any more lights needed, but it was agreed that the government have done good work in this connection in the year, and he would not like to see the intention of the government to continue as they had been going on.

The Corbin Charter. When the subject of the Corbin railway proposition in the Kettle River valley came up, Mr. McCandless said he was strongly in favor of the proposition. He had been through the country and could see that if the road were not built the result would be a monopoly for the C. P. R., and that he could inform the council, would be a bad thing for Victoria. He would not be so strongly in favor of the Corbin scheme if there was the remotest possibility of the V. V. & E. Railway being proceeded with, but he was satisfied with what he had seen that the V. V. & E. would not be built for five or ten years, and possibly not at all.

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be forwarded to the representatives of the city and to Senator Templeman at Ottawa. Mr. Ker expressed the opinion that the matter would not come up again at Ottawa. Mr. Corbin might hawk the charter around to make some use of it.

Mr. McCandless—"Well, he won't let it for a bonus as they do here." Some further conversation followed, in the course of which Mr. McCandless reminded Mr. Ker that he had tried to educate the public in regard to the matter by writing letters to the newspapers, that Mr. Ker had replied to some of them, but not to the last, and if during the next few weeks Mr. Ker wished to continue the educational work he (Mr. McCandless) would answer every letter that gentleman wrote.

Col. Prior next brought up the subject of pilotage fees, which he said some citizens complained of as excessive, while others said they were not. From an examination of the pilotage fees in Liverpool or London, he was reasonable here as in Liverpool or London.

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Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form. (From Tuesday's Daily.) An important meeting of the Law Society was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to discuss ways and means of replacing the law library destroyed in the New Westminster fire. Several valuable suggestions were made, but it was finally decided to leave the matter in the hands of the benchers to deal with.

The remains of the late Jacob Lenz, who expired on Sunday last, will be taken by the City of Kingston to Tacoma this evening, from where they will be sent on by train to San Francisco. Services were held at deceased's residence, Yates street, this afternoon. Several of the relatives of the deceased will accompany the body to the place of interment.

Rev. E. G. Miller, the successor of Rev. J. B. Haslam in the rectorship of St. Barnabas church, preached his first sermon in that pulpit on Sunday, and delighted a large congregation by his lucid treatment of his theme. Mr. Miller was educated at St. Augustin College, Canterbury, and is still a comparatively young man. He will be formally inducted to his new charge at Easter.

Local devotees of the run are having constructed this week at Mr. F. S. S. on Barnside road a breeding enclosure for the French partridges which Antoine Almanza, of Esquimalt, brought out here, and it was not possible here to make any lump sum charge for the pilotage of a ship. He favored a combination of the three districts and the fixing of a uniform charge and of a regulation that any pilot could pilot in the three districts. In the lumber business particularly, for which American vessels have to be chartered, two shillings and sixpence per thousand feet had to be paid for loading in British Columbia and for extra pilotage and towage having to be brought from the Sound. The American tug boats have to pay pilotage as well as the ships they tow, which amounts to about \$50 more. Consequently the merchants had to lose thirty cents a thousand feet more than had to be paid in Puget Sound.

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It should be stated that the civic authorities this morning notified the company that the Rock Bay bridge no longer safe for tram car traffic, and consequently the company this afternoon ceased running the cars across the bridge. The bridge will be replaced by a new one, which will be built on the other side to convey them to their destinations. The company will endeavor to give the same service as at present.

News has reached here from Halifax that a cable has been received from Chatham announcing that the first-class cruiser Warspite was commissioned on Tuesday last week for flag duty on the Pacific squadron, with headquarters at Esquimalt. The pennant was hoisted by Rear-Admiral Beaumont, director of naval intelligence, with senior admiral Palliser. The Warspite relieved the cruiser Imperieuse, which is a sister ship. The selection of Admiral Beaumont is considered very important in view of his connection with the naval intelligence department. Two more modern cruisers are to be attached to the Pacific squadron on an early date. A Victoria gentleman, whose brother served under Admiral Beaumont, states that the building of the new cruiser is younger than his predecessor, is exceedingly clever, and is very strict in his manner of life. The Imperieuse is now getting her stores aboard preparing for her journey home.

A dispatch from Toronto published in an Eastern exchange says: "Rev. Wm. Hammond, a successful clergyman from Lachute, whose career in Ontario has recently caused so much anxiety to American officials of the foreign church missionary society, has been arrested at Holguin, Cuba, and will be tried for some of his activities in many other parts of the island." Hammond, who is well known to many people throughout Canada, has had a varied and remarkable career. He was at one time arrested in Quebec on a charge of perjury, but was later acquitted. He has also been accused of being a burglar's tool. He has been ordered to half a dozen different denominations and among alleged occupations has been those of preacher, Havana confessor, confidence man, bigamist and perjurer. He is alleged to have possessed nine wives. In Havana he did a real estate business. Hammond is believed to have married in Victoria some years ago when he worked the bogus clergyman game.

Action has been begun by Duncan McKinnon and W. A. Enslay, of Wrangell, against the Klondike Mining, Trading and Transport Company to recover claims amounting to over \$300. The Nanaimo Brewing Company are having erected a large store house on the vacant block at the rear of the Queen's hotel. The building is expected to be finished by the end of April.

Another pioneer of the Island has gone to his long rest, Alexander McPherson of North Saanich having died yesterday at the residence of his daughter, Mr. McPherson had attained the ripe age of 83 years.

A party of six old-time Atlantes have made preparations for their journey to the north, and sail by the Danube to Kinross. Tom Jones, G. M. Bogart, J. A. Phillips, J. W. Clarke and J. Murtagh. They are taking in considerable provisions, hardware, mining utensils, etc.

There is one case of insanity at the police station at present, that of a married woman, the mother of a family, who is suffering from what the doctors believe to be but a temporary fit of mental aberration. She will not be removed to the asylum, the medical men entering the view that with care and attention she will recover her reason.

George, a Saanich Indian, was fined \$10 and \$21 costs, with the option of 20 days imprisonment, this morning for being drunk. He stated that he had obtained the liquor from Ah Sue, a Chinaman, who was afterwards brought to the station and will answer tomorrow to the serious charge of supplying an intoxicant to an Indian, in the face of a quart bottle of rye whiskey. The whiskey is unmanufactured in this appearance and has evidently been manufactured on the premises.

Llewellyn Williams, the musician whose instance action was instituted for the arrest of Louis Young of the New England hotel for theft, did not appear this morning, and the magistrate discharged the case. The police do not know what has become of their man, though in entering the charge they acted in the utmost good faith. Few treated the case seriously, however, the excellent reputation which Young bore, and his ways were borne, and the good character of the hotel giving a very improbable time to the whole story.

After an incumbency of the office of superintendent of education extending over fifteen years, Dr. S. D. Pope has resigned his position and will shortly quit teaching by Vancouver. His resignation is believed to be a result in part of the radical reduction which was made in his salary at the last session, when the monthly emolument of the office was curtailed by \$50, the salary now being \$150. Dr. Pope was appointed under the Smyth administration. No steps have been taken to fill the position.

NEWS FROM VANCOUVER. French Canadian Bound for Atlin. Opening of New Westminster Theatre.

Vancouver, March 9.—A party of all French Canadian arrived from the Atlin train last night destined for Atlin. Several other parties will follow. Westminster's handsome new theatre was opened last night when "Phantom" was produced by Vancouver amateurs. The house was crowded, and over 400 were raised, besides expenses.

Mr. G. R. Maxwell, M. P., left today for Ottawa. Mr. William Morrison, M. P., leaves on Saturday.

Today's train was one hour late. The Miowera and Charmer waited for the mills.

DIED. MOPHE—On the 8th inst., at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. North Saanich, Alexander McPhee, aged 88, a native of Argyleshire, Scotland.

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A shipment of machinery made from here for the Pot in Kamloops. City Clerk McGuigan has telegraphed to the effect that the telegram from the new superintendent of city hospital, will probably reach about March 23rd.

The C. P. R. steam shovel was shunted into the yards on Monday the street car with a Pot in Kamloops. The street car was damaged very much by the British Electric Railway Company's considerable amount of work.

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This promises to be a most important year for Cariboo in the Province, and during the last month or two, preparations have been made for work on a most extensive scale on many claims. J. B. Hobson, manager of the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company, and the Horse Fly Hydraulic Company, is now in Cariboo, seeing that everything is ready for this season's work. He may return to Vancouver in a few days. Nineteen experienced miners have arrived in Vancouver from their homes in California to proceed to Cariboo, and they may leave any day.

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The Royal City Planning Mills Company is running its branch mill here to its fullest capacity, having a large number of orders to fill, including new timbers for the Hastings sawmill at Vancouver, and large eastern orders.

The company is also making preparations for the loading of several ships, two of which are bound for this coast here; one of them will be in port early next week.

Some excitement was caused on Monday morning on Front street, among the workmen engaged on the new Swanson hotel, by the boiling over of a tar-pot. The boiling tar, poured out over the street and, taking fire, caused a stampede among the workmen in the immediate vicinity. No damage was done, however, the fire being extinguished as quickly as possible.

Among other fine private residences that will be erected as soon as the fine weather starts will be a handsome two-story frame structure for ex-Mayor Shiles, and it will occupy the same site as the one that was burnt on Carmarvon street.

The prospects are becoming brighter every day that before a year has passed from the time of the great fire brick blocks will cover the entire distance in the fire limits on both sides of Columbia street.

On Saturday afternoon, Messrs. C. C. Fisher, T. R. Pearson, R. Armstrong and H. Cook went out to Burnaby Lake for the purpose of using dynamite in the hope that the concussion might raise the bodies of the boys, Howison and Fisher, who were presumably drowned there three weeks ago. In all seven shots were fired, some from boards over the surface of the water, and some from logs on the bank. Another large charge of twenty-five sticks was fired at the entrance to the Brunette river, and three or four more of ten each, at different points in the river itself. But the result was the same. No further trace of the missing lads was found.

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It is said to be the intention of the Canadian Pacific Railway to spend a large sum of money on the improvement of the Nakusp & Slovan Railway during the summer. Many of the crabbings are to be filled up, curves straightened and bridges strengthened. A steam shovel, with a couple of hundred men, will be employed.

NELSON.

Mr. W. J. Goppel, inspector of government offices, has just recovered from the illness that almost ended fatally last week.

The tenders for the erection of the Hudson Bay Company's new block at the corner of Baker and St. James streets have been forwarded to the head office at Winnipeg, and the work of excavation for the foundation will be commenced as soon as the successful tender is accepted.

Alderman McKillop, who has been some time and is still laid up suffering from the prevailing epidemic of grippe, is on the road to recovery and expects to be out in a few days.

At the annual meeting of the Nelson Liberal Association officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Honorary president, Hewitt Bostock, M.P.; president, W. A. Campbell; secretary, Dr. Alex. Forst; treasurer, George A. Tunstall, jr.; treasurer, J. A. Gibson; executive committee, Dr. E. C. Arthur, James Bennerman, G. Frank Beer, A. B. Johnson, Dr. A. B. Hall, John A. Turner, John Lapointe, A. H. Clements, William Walde, Thomas Madden and John Hamilton. It was decided to hold monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month.

Edward White, a middle-aged man, made a deliberate attempt at suicide on Thursday by jumping from the end of the wharf. Two men saw him remove his coat and jump into the water. One of them secured a life-pole from the tug and secured a hold in White's clothing until the other put a rope around the body. White was then fished out and taken on board the Surprise, where he afterwards removed to the Kootenay Lake General Hospital.

G. R. G. O'Driscoll, a clerk in the mining recorder's office at Nelson, will leave the service of the province only to the south to engage in other pursuits.

Theo. Madson will begin the erection in a few weeks of a residence on lots 18 and 19, block 100. The house will face on Mill street.

Edward White, who attempted to commit suicide by jumping off the city wharf on Thursday morning, is still in the Kootenay Lake General Hospital. He is suffering with grippe. It is probable that he will not be prosecuted. The case is in the hands of the Provincial police as the offence was committed just outside the city limits, which reach only to the C. P. R. track along the lake front.

The blast furnace at the Hall Mines smelter was blown out on Sunday.

Mr. McDowell, who is trying to secure a site for the erection of a saw mill at Nelson, is still hopeful that he will succeed.

The second large transfer barge of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's fleet was launched at the local shipyard on Monday.

The company to move thirty freight cars daily from Kootenay Landing to Nelson.

The fire department had a call on Saturday to a brick residence owned by L. Pogue on Victoria street. It is supposed that the fire originated in an attempt to thaw out a frozen water pipe. The fire was extinguished before any damage was done.

During the month of February the collections of the inland revenue department in Nelson, as made by F. W. Swannell, amounted to \$4,457.90. Of this amount \$3,638.33 was upon spirits; \$210 on malt; \$302 on tobacco; \$26.10 on raw leather; \$268.50 on manufactured cigars; and \$17.98 on petroleum inspection. The figures for the month show a considerable increase in the business of February over that of the previous month.

An effort is being made to induce the city council to require the closing of all hotels and saloons in the city from 12 o'clock Saturday night until 6 o'clock on the following Monday.

Judging by the arrivals at the hotels, travel to and from Nelson continues good, the arrivals averaging over sixty a day.

TRAIL.

Mrs. Geo. Yeo and daughter have arrived from Kamloops and will make Trail their home. Mr. Yeo is a fireman on the Trail-Robson road.

Chas. Keeley will move in a few days to his new quarters in the Klondyke Hotel, adjoining the present stand. Carpenters have been at work in the past week making extensive alterations.

GRAND FORKS.

W. B. Bourne, having completed his residence building in this city, has moved down from Columbia and will make his home here in future.

Little Gus Anderson, while splitting kindling last Monday evening, had the misfortune to cut two fingers from his left hand, by a slip of the axe he was using.

An addition has been built onto the rear of the building used as an office by the townsite company, and it will be fitted up as a dwelling house.

The organization and first meeting of the local board of health took place in the city clerk's office last Tuesday, the members of the board present being Mayor L. A. Manly, City Physician B. B. Stanley Smith, and Police Magistrate Johnson. Mr. Johnston was appointed secretary of the board, and it was decided to ask that the city council set apart the sum of \$75 for the purchase of lime, etc., to better the sanitary condition of the city.

GREENWOOD.

Dr. G. M. Foster has arrived from Cascade to take charge of the railway hospital at Greenwood.

The force of men working on the channel for Boundary Creek is to be increased. The contractor has received instructions to rush the work.

E. C. Wickwire has entered into partnership with W. G. Gaunce, in the real estate and mining business. It is expected that the pipe for the waterworks will be in place from the tunnel to the dam early this week.

The travel to Greenwood for the past two weeks has been exceedingly heavy. One day last week a telephone message from Bostburg informed the Robbins Church here have been found to be unable to secure seats on the stage.

Rev. Sweet, of Trail, and Rev. Rose, of Nelson, spoke of the pastor's new field of usefulness.

Louis Bonus, who last week had a rib fractured on the left side by being struck with the bar of a machine drill, is rapidly recovering. He is at the Sisters' hospital under the care of Dr. Coulthard.

Dr. McKenzie and Senior, who are in charge of W. A. Carlyle, are very hopeful of his permanent recovery, but admit that much depends on the next few days. If, in that time, say five days, no suppuration takes place, Mr. Carlyle will be assured of the perfect use of his knee and will be able to sit in a chair and personally receive the reports of the mine managers. For three days, however, the physicians have ordered him to be excluded from everyone and to take entire rest.

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A STRIKE AND A CONFLAGRATION.

Steamer Humboldt Brings News of Fire at Dyea and of Labor Troubles at Skagway.

Dyea Wants To Be a British City and Petitions Accordingly.

Late Arrivals From Dawson Talk About the Doings on the Creeks.

News was brought by the steamer Humboldt which reached the outer wharf this morning after a rough passage through the wind-swept inland waters from Lynn Canal, of another calamity which befell the unfortunate town of Dyea the day before she left and which, were it not for the support given to this gateway of the Dyea trail by the several railways operating over the Chilcoot Pass, would probably go a long way towards driving away what few remain of its already sparse population. Instead of death dealing avalanches this time it was fire which came to destroy. It was early in the evening of Thursday last that the fire broke out in the front room of the second story of the Palace Hotel. Passers by noticed a flash of light from the windows seemingly as though by some means the curtains had taken fire, the reason given afterwards was "a drunken man, a cigar butt, and —". The whole building was a mass of flames in a few minutes after the fire was noticed. As the burning hotel lighted up the sky great excitement prevailed. There was no fire apparatus, and although the whole of the 250 residents worked hard they found their work of little avail in its torch like efforts. Then, despite the efforts of the bucket brigade, the flames continued to eat their way along the street; the Senate saloon with its assortment of anti-prohibition drugs, the courthouse and the tramway barn were all on fire, and when the flames had done their work but a few charred boards were left to mark where they had stood. Young's hardware store also took fire, but in this instance the bucket brigade managed to drown the flames and save part of this building and the stock. A number of other buildings were also destroyed before the fire was finally subdued. The two hotels burned were well furnished and as nothing was saved—so swift was the progress of the fire—that it was impossible to drag anything from the building—the loss will be a very heavy one to their owners. As the fire, the proprietor of the Palace Hotel, in which the fire originated, was absent from home, having gone to the Pucunna Company where in charge. Everything they possessed was swept away by the fire. The Northern Hotel, the Chilcoot Tramway Company, the Senate saloon and the court house are also heavy losers. The loss is variously estimated at between \$12,000 and \$15,000. The horses and wagons of the Tramway Company were all saved.

TROUBLE WITH WORKMEN.

Laborers on the Yukon & White Pass Road Quit Work. The men who were laying the big iron ribbons across the rocky grades of the White Pass for the White Pass & Yukon Railway have gone out on strike, and when the Humboldt left over a thousand of them had reached Skagway and were lounging about the town discussing their grievances. The cause of the walk out was a cut recently made by the railway company of five cents an hour in the men's wages. They were getting 35 cents an hour and now they say this was cut to 30 cents, and instead of working nine hours per day the men were requested to work ten hours. Of the 1,000 men employed on the line 1,000 went out when the messenger bore the strike talk from camp to camp along the line. It was on Monday last that the committee of the workmen declared the strike after conference with the contracting company of the railroad. On the evening of Tuesday last the Skagway Budget says the messenger bearing

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the result of the conference started out to call out the workers. He reached Bennett on the morning of the following day, and returned to Skagway on Thursday. His trip was occasioned by the refusal of the railway company to grant the use of the telephone for communication with the camps. At several of the camps along the line the officers tried to keep the messenger away from the men, but he managed to deliver his message, and they laid down their picks and walked out. It will not be possible to tell the exact number of men who quit," says the Skagway Advertiser. "For a day or two, as they have their effects to look after and arrange for bringing them in. The transportation will be furnished by the packers. All day long they came straggling in. They were a fine looking lot of men, intelligent, hearty, honest fellows, who have the sympathy of everybody in Skagway. Their story is that they quit, were not fired. Many claim their contract below was for 35 cents per hour, and that out was a direct violation of the understanding that brought them to this country. The men say they asked a continuation of the 35 cent rate for but 30 days longer, when the conditions of weather would make life more comfortable. Their request is true does not seem an exorbitant one. At Camp No. 9 the men were told they could not have dinner, but they finally prevailed on the packers to let them eat. At Camp No. 9, near Long Cabin, but three men out of three hundred stalk to their work. All along the line the walk-out was general. There seems to be a disposition to quit the packers, but the strike, so far as can be learned there is no truth in the statement. Several of the prominent packing firms have offered to bring in the belongings of the men, and some of the packers, in fact, have offered that they were the instigators of it. This, however, is untrue."

A meeting was being held at Skagway when the Humboldt left for the purpose of deciding on some concerted action. Between 1,000 and 1,200 men were at the meeting. The strikers are parading about Skagway, but they are law-abiding, and as they are not responsible for any lawlessness whatever there is no occasion for uneasiness on the part of the citizens. The Budget says: "They are a peaceable, law-abiding class, and will countenance no violence whatever. The strikers are not surprised at the movement, and claim their plans will not be materially affected. Just how this can be, unless the strikers are courted, is difficult to understand."

The Budget says editorially: "In an interview Contractor Heiney is quoted as saying that the men are all good men and of a better class than usually found among the workmen in another part of the interview it is stated that the men who quit during the strike will not be employed again. The men claim that the greater number of them were hired by the packers at the rate of 35 cents per hour, and their action now is but to enforce an agreement. In fact, the only means they have of obtaining justice. From a glance at the situation it might seem that the move on the part of the company was a remediated one, and that they did not want the men to work longer. Yet why such a move should be made at this season, when men are scarce and weeks must elapse before those leaving can be replaced, is hard to understand. Like all strikes there are two stories to be heard, but so far nothing more acrimonious or contradictory has been heard from the strikers. A good man is a treasure, and always worth more than a poor one. One thousand good men acclimated to this country are worth double the number of new men, no matter of what degree of excellence. There is something out of gear, and it doesn't look as though the fault was with the employer."

A Skagway correspondent says that after the strikers left, the others were all laid off for some days, and all seven camps along the line are closed for the present. A refuge camp will be formed for them at Skagway, as there is no hotel accommodation in the whole town. All the men have money. The Company's Version. When Mr. J. H. Greer, commercial agent of the Yukon & White Pass route, was seen this morning by a Times man and informed of the news of the strike, he was disposed to minimize the importance of the matter, saying it was not a strike at all, but that the men had been laid off temporarily because of the impossibility of proceeding with the work of grading owing to the fact that the grading interferes with the sled along which vast quantities of supplies are being hauled. This necessitated a reduction of the force employed, although there are still 800 men working between the Summit and Bennett. Two gangs are employed there, and as soon as the thaw sets in and the sled road gets too soft for use, the work of tracklaying will be proceeded with vigorously. At present no rails or ties are being hauled over the road owing to the immense quantity of freight to be hauled, but the company have laid their plans for proceeding energetically with the work of completing the track laying just as soon as the conditions are favorable.

WOULD BE BRITISH. Dyea Would Like to Have the Union Jack Flying Over It. Another interesting piece of news brought by the Humboldt is that Dyea is desirous of becoming a British town. Its residents believe that should such a change be made it would have the effect of making a decided improvement in the condition of affairs existing there. The residents are drawing up a tripartite petition asking that they be taken in as

one of the cities of the Empire, one copy is to be addressed to the members of the Joint High Commission, one to the Ottawa government and one to the Washington government. The petition is brief and makes no conditions, merely placing before the powers the desire of the petitioners to transfer themselves and their town to the British flag, and become a Canadian instead of an American entry port. The population of Dyea is now given at something over 300. The Dyea Press, voicing the sentiment of the Chilcoot gateway, says: "The excitement produced by the proposed report of the sub-committee of the joint treaty commission to cede to the Canadians a seaport on the headwaters of Lynn Canal seems to have provoked a great deal of interest and opposition, especially at Seattle. The dispatches concerning the subject indicate that the proposed ceding of the ports of Dyea and Skagway to the Canadians is at an end—at least it will remain 'statu quo' until the subject is brought before the commission. The newspapers of the coast are uniting against such a proposition, and threaten to oppose the administration should it countenance such a movement. The wishes of the people in this 'neck of the woods' who are directly interested, are not in favor of the proposition offered by the papers of the Sound section to be largely governed by the opposition of the steamship and business men of Seattle and of the cities of the Sound, although the proposition is founded upon purely selfish motives, and not made by any party, and they insist it is to appear."

A Pelee Pow-Wow. The same paper furnishes news of a great pelee pow-wow to be held by the Alaskan Indians in August. The greatest gathering in the history of Alaskan Indians is scheduled for August next at Klawwan, on the Chilcoot river. At this grand pow-wow, the tribal war between the Chilcoot and Wapiti Indians, which has been raging for many years, will come to an end. It is estimated that over 2,000 Indians will be present. Packers Are Kicking. The Humboldt also brings news that the packers on the White Pass are drawing up a petition to Washington for the abolition of the Brackett toll gates. From Dawson. There were but two late comers from Dawson on the Humboldt, one who left Dawson on February 8th and one who left on the 10th. The latter, notwithstanding the fact that he was bringing out a goodly sack of gold, was a steamer passenger. They bring news that the trail is in bad condition, being one-half covered with snow. It was 64 degrees below zero for three days while they were on the road out. The late comers give the news that Dawson is beginning to resume its activity, for gold is coming in from the various creeks, some of the miners having begun to wash up to pay expenses. Hunker is turning out very well and on Gold Hill and Bonanza much gold is being taken from the bench claims. Dominion is paying for some of the miners' discoveries, but nothing extra, and Sulphur was far from equaling the rosete expectations regarding it. The Humboldt was inspected while here and the boiler had been repaired, and a new British flag—bought here—at her masthead. She passed the Danube and Rosalie, which left before her en route down. Both are expected here this evening.

GEORGE LOAN & SAVINGS CO., COR. OF VICTORIA AND OMAHA STS., VICTORIA. E. W. Day, manager Globe Loan & Savings Co., says: "I consider Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure the best remedy for all cases of catarrh of the bladder, urethra, and testes, and of all cases of gonorrhoea, and of all cases of prostatic enlargement, and of all cases of urinary calculus, and of all cases of urinary stricture, and of all cases of urinary fistula, and of all cases of urinary incontinence, and of all cases of urinary retention, and of all cases of urinary obstruction, and of all cases of urinary inflammation, and of all cases of urinary infection, and of all cases of urinary irritation, and of all cases of urinary excitation, and of all cases of urinary depression, and of all cases of urinary paralysis, and of all cases of urinary atrophy, and of all cases of urinary degeneration, and of all cases of urinary senescence, and of all cases of urinary death."

LAW INTELLIGENCE. The argument in Scott v. Rogers commenced yesterday afternoon was finished this morning and judgment reserved. The long standing appeal in Lowenberg, Harris & Co. vs. Dunsmuir was commenced to-day before the Full Court bench and the case was argued by Mr. Dennis R. Harris was for about \$10,000 for services and expenses incurred by him in endeavoring to sell the defendant's coal mines at Wellington. At the trial Chief Justice (then Mr. Justice) McColl withdrew the case from the jury and ordered a verdict entered for the defendant as he considered the plaintiff had not made out a case for the jury. The plaintiff now moves to set aside the verdict and for a new trial on the ground that the question to be determined was whether or not a verbal contract was made in which Mrs. Dunsmuir agreed to sell her coal mines to the defendant, and that the defendant had paid her \$10,000 for the same. The appeal was argued before the Full Court, consisting of Chief Justice Davie and Justices Walkem and Drake, but owing to Chief Justice Davie's death before judgment was delivered it has to be re-argued. E. W. Day, manager of P. O. Duff appear for the appellant and C. E. Pooley, Q.C., and Charles Wilson, Q.C., for Mrs. Dunsmuir.

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Considering The Estimates

A Special Meeting of the City Council Held This Morning.

Ways and Means of Increasing the Civic Revenue Discussed.

The Board of Aldermen met in the committee rooms, City Hall, this morning at 10 o'clock to consider the estimates laid over from last week. There was a full attendance of members. His Worship the Mayor presiding. Applications were sent in from the assistant fire chief, H. B. McDowall, and Messrs. Roberts and Parson, the men employed on the street lighting. The former asked that his salary be raised, as at present, or suggested that the charge of the department, and has been in the service 15 years. Messrs. Roberts and Parson also asked for an increase of salary. Ald. Kinsman moved the applications be received and filed, as no more salaries could be raised this year. Ald. Beckwith said McDowall took charge of the fire department for a month at a rate time he should receive commensurate remuneration. Ald. Hayward thought it was a mistake to have raised any salaries at the last meeting. He was willing to admit his share of the mistake, but he thought His Worship said no city on the coast was taxed as lightly as Victoria. Ald. Hayward: "Is there another city with the properties assessed so high as Victoria?" Ald. Beckwith: "Yes! many others." Ald. Kinsman said he was in favor of taxing those people who were on the land as they could not run away, and would have to pay it. "A motion to the effect that the general rate be one-sixth of a mill was then put and lost. Ald. Beckwith proposed to increase the saloon tax which the mayor said would not do, for although it might have the effect of reducing the number of saloons it would not increase the revenue. The council rose at 12 o'clock.

DO PEOPLE DIE OF CATARRH? How This Annoying Disease Develops and How It is Cured by Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure. Because doctors do not often report "death from catarrh," people imagine that this disease is not fatal in its results. But because catarrh usually reaches the lungs before it is called consumption, when in reality it is catarrh of the lungs. There is only a difference of names. Catarrh is an ulceration of the mucous lining of the nose and throat, which eats its way along the air passages until it reaches the lungs, and completes its fatal work under the name of consumption. Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure heals the ulcers and arrests the disease while yet it can be controlled. It clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and headache, and completely eradicates the disease from the system. For a gripe, there is no treatment to be compared to the combined use of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure and Dr. Chase's Grip of Linseed and Turpentine. While the former clears the head, the latter cleanses the bowels, and together they purify the system, and at all dealers, or Richardson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

FIRE RECORD. Boston, March 8.—A large four and one-half story stone building numbered from 55 to 65 Charlestown St., and occupied by about a dozen firms, was practically destroyed by fire this morning, causing a loss estimated at \$75,000. New York, March 8.—Rafel Coroni was badly burned and fifteen horses were killed at a fire in a livery stable to-day.

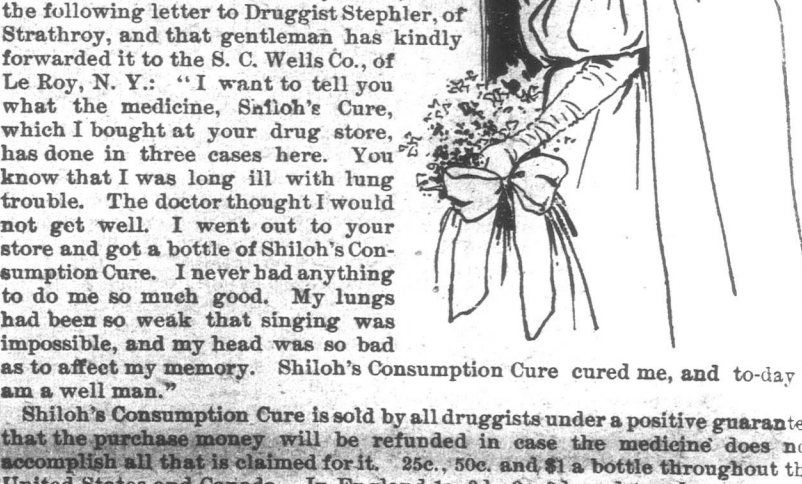
THE SHADOW OF DEATH. Ottawa, Ont., March 7.—Radcliffe, the official hangman, last night passed through Ottawa to officiate at the execution of Cordelia Poirier and Sam Parslow on Friday morning.

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GREAT RESOURCES. A Visitor From Manila Talks of the Possibilities of Trade With the Philippines. E. P. Codwell, one of the passengers who arrived by the R.M.S. Empress of India, left Manila five weeks ago. He represents the Philippine Investment and Commercial Company, has done considerable commercial prospecting and has a very favorable report of the prospects for trade development. The country is very rich in mineral resources and little, if any, have been developed. Vast coal fields, with iron seams, have been found within 100 miles of Manila, and should the United States hold the Philippines—which seems quite probable—the naval bases and depots of the islands will doubtless be supplied from these coal fields. At present Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila is being supplied with coal from Australia and the coast. Then, too, great fields of petroleum have been found. No wells have been sunk, but in places good, clear oil, fit to be used for lighting purposes, is being dipped up in tins by the natives. The big areas of oil are on Cebu. Then the timber lands will for years be able to supply Canada and the United States with good hard woods for furniture and such uses, woods the supply of which is very limited on this side of the water. Vast sugar fields are awaiting cultivation and acre after acre of hemp and tobacco could be grown. Owing to the fact that the troubled state of the islands will not allow of the interior being visited, Mr. Codwell says he has only been able to make a superficial estimate, but this is sufficient to justify the statement that in years to come a vast amount of business will be done between the islands and the United States, and when the development begins it will make a new epoch in the history not only of the Philippine Islands but of all the countries of the east. Mr. Codwell says the American authorities at Manila exercise a strict censorship over the press reports of the fighting sent out from there.

RUBONIC PLAGUE IN BOMBAY. London, March 6.—The Bombay Correspondent of the Morning Post says: "The Rubonic plague is raging here with unparalleled severity. According to official returns, there were 912 deaths last week, but these quite underestimate the mortality."

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