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# STEAMER THISTLE BURNED AT SEA

## Charred Hull Alone May Remain—Lieutenant Governor and Shooting Party Narrowly Escape With Lives.

(From Monday's Daily.)

When passing through southern waters in the neighborhood of Pine Island and at midday on Friday, with all her flags flying in honor of Victoria Day, she broke out on the Lieut.-Governor's steam yacht Thistle, and a charred bulk burnt to the water line, probably floating about somewhere to the north of Scarlett Point, is

All That Remains of the well known Victoria vessel to-day. At the time of the outbreak the Thistle with Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir and his shooting party on board were returning from an expedition to Gardner's canal. With the clothes which they stood up in, but nothing else, His Honor and the rest of those on board were able to escape and land at Hardy Bay, where they were picked up the same evening by the steamer Queen City Capt. Gunns, and brought to Vancouver.

It was shortly before midday when the Thistle was proceeding at eight knots an hour through Queen Charlotte Sound, Governor Dunsmuir, Mr. Bartley and Mr. Burton, was deck enjoying the perfect weather conditions which prevailed. Suddenly His Honor noticed the smell of

Burning Wood. He was assured by those present that it was nothing, but the smoking going on below. A few minutes passed when sudden flames burst through the port bulwarks of the vessel and the engineer came rushing on deck, in a few moments the entire port side of the vessel was in flames. All thought of coping with the contagion being lower was abandoned, and it became necessary at once to lower the boats. Engineers Kettle and Ross had been driven from the boats before they had time to get into them, and the yacht wrapped in flames still cut her way through the water at a speed of eight knots.

A launch, a quarter boat and a skiff were let down on the starboard side, and in these the party and crew embarked. The flames soon surrounded the boat on the port side, as the fire had broken out there, and the entire side was now enveloped in the flames. The boats were cast off from the doomed vessel. One of the party being able to get to the cabin to rescue any of the goods on board. Proceeding past Pine Island and into the track of navigation the two boats made to Hardy Bay, where it was known that the Queen City would call that evening.

The flames soon surrounded the yacht from stern to bow, and presently the engines ceased to work, and she drifted helplessly a charred but still burning mass of ruin on the face of the waters. About 9 o'clock in the evening the Queen City, homeward bound, hove in sight. The officer in charge described a strange light on the horizon which he knew could not come from any point on land. Capt. Gunns was told of the phenomenon, and he immediately reached the conclusion that it was a vessel on fire. Orders were at once issued for the Queen City to bear down towards the derelict. When she came alongside the Thistle was

Burned Down to the Water Line on the port side, and her boilers could be seen standing clear of the charred hull. The flames were still working havoc, and so much was the yacht changed in appearance that none of those on board the C. P. R. steamer could even guess what craft she was. It was evident at once, however, that no one was on board, and the Queen City, then about five miles to the north of Pine Island, proceeded to that station and signalled the lighthouse keeper to ask if he knew anything of the occurrence. The light keeper had seen the burning vessel drifting about for some time, but did not know what she was. He also suggested that he had seen three boats on the horizon which men whom he presumed had come from the burning craft.

The Queen City passed on to Scarlett Point and was informed by the light keeper, the name of the derelict and that Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir and his party had landed at Hardy Bay and were awaiting the arrival of the Queen City there. Calling at Hardy Bay the Queen City took the party on board and immediately landed them at Vancouver.

It is stated that the fire was due to Combustion Among the Coal Bunkers. Immediately on the outbreak the engineer had to take a hold on the steam without even having time to shut down the engine. On board the yacht were Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir and his party enumerated above. Captain Blisset in command, Chief Officer Bowden,

# WORLD'S WHEAT PRODUCTION MAY BE THE SMALLEST IN SEVEN YEARS

## Until Harvest Time—Supplies Not Likely to Exceed the Demands of Markets.

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NEW CANALS. Proposed Waterways Which Will Cost About Ten Million Dollars.

Chicago, May 26.—Engineers working in the interest of New York, Pittsburgh, Chicago and Indianapolis capitalists are completing plans for an extended system of canals from Indiana harbor to a point between Gary and Michigan city. The first survey provides for waterways 50 miles long, cost \$10,000,000. The system is held necessary to the development of the steel and iron industries. The main channel will be 200 feet wide, with lateral canals 100 feet in width. The system is to have a uniform depth of 24 feet, and turning basins 80 feet in diameter, will be dug at intervals of two miles. It is estimated that it will take ten years to complete the work.

PLOT AGAINST CABRERA. Mexico City, May 25.—News was received here yesterday of the imprisonment and sentencing to death of seven men charged with complicity in the recent attempt to assassinate President Cabrera, of Guatemala.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A PHYSICIAN. Dr. Young, of Vancouver, Died While Out on a Fishing Trip.

Vancouver, May 27.—Dr. Young, of Bayfield and Young, Vancouver, died suddenly yesterday while on a fishing trip out country. He went to Hazelton and had either an epileptic fit or heart disease while away alone fishing. Apparently he died without recovering consciousness. His body was not found until several hours after death. He had practised here for eight years.

TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES. Ottawa, May 27.—Mr. Justice Craig, of the Yukon, has been appointed to investigate charges against Caswell Fennie, a clerk in the gold commissioner's office.

MAY HAVE TO DO AS CANADIANS DO. Branches of U. S. Concerns May Be Compelled to Observe Dominion Holidays.

Windsor, Ont., May 27.—Because Jesse O'Neill, an employee of the Fenberthy Injector Company, a Detroit concern with its Canadian branch here, celebrated Victoria Day all United States plants with branches in Canada may be compelled to observe Canadian holidays if they do not do so already. O'Neill planned to celebrate the day. Learning that the plant was not to close on Friday he went to the office to ask to get away. He says he was told the factory observed United States holidays, not those of Canada, and that if he absented himself he would be discharged. O'Neill took the day and called upon Dr. Reaume, minister of public works in the Ontario government, who is at his home. The latter told O'Neill to report for work on Monday and promised that if he was not taken back he (Reaume) would take the matter up.

SHOT BY SENTRY. St. Louis, May 26.—Elmer Martin, awaiting trial at Jefferson barracks for deserting from the coast artillery at Fort Barrancas, Fla., was killed by sentry Joseph Cothran. Martin had escaped from Cothran, who later found him hiding in the woods. Cothran says that Martin refused to surrender and had then fired. Edward V. Anderson, also awaiting trial for desertion, escaped with Martin and has not been apprehended.

KILLED BY GAS. Peasant Venture Too Near New Venture on Mount Vesuvius.

Naples, May 27.—At Besocete Cause, on the southern declivity of Mount Vesuvius, a dense suddenly opened yesterday, from which a flow of poisonous gas escaped.

A peasant who imprudently approached the fissure, was killed, and nine others who rushed to his rescue and fell unconscious were saved with difficulty.

The gas from the new fissure rises to the height of five or six feet and caribineers have been posted in the vicinity to prevent persons going within the danger zone.

YACHTING FATALITY. Astoria, May 26.—Harry George, a young student of Stanford University, and the only son of George H. George, a prominent cannery man of this city, was drowned while sailing in Young's bay Saturday.

George was accompanied by Miss Higgins, who is also a student at Stanford. A swinging boom hit George on the head and knocked him into the water. He swam around in a circle, seemingly stunned. Miss Higgins was unable to help the young man, and he sank before her eyes.

Winnipeg, May 27.—Sampson Walker, former member for North Winnipeg, has announced his intention of removing to Victoria with his family to live. Mr. Walker is one of the wealthiest men in the city, and is largely interested in mines and oil. He is one of the leaders in the Methodist church.

Contractor J. Boland will also move to Victoria with his family in the autumn.

Mr. Osborne arrived from Australia two weeks ago on the Moana, and, after spending a few days in Vancouver, came to Victoria for a month's visit. He is delighted with the city and says that it is equal both in climate and natural beauty to any city he has seen in his present uncompleted tour of the world. "All the bright promises of Canada that I have seen in the head and know him into the water," he said, "and no better impression of prosperous Canada can be compared to that afforded to the visitor who enters it on the Pacific side."

Winnipeg, May 27.—The Post's Financial London cable says: "Weather in the European crop district is improving, but actual reports of crop conditions have this week been more unfavorable than before. This is especially true of Germany, where the early crop has been irretrievably damaged. No less than 24 per cent of the autumn sown wheat has been re-ploughed. Beerbon estimates as a consequence that the German crop may possibly not exceed 108,000,000 bushels. This would compare with 144,000,000 last year and would mean that Germany might have to import the unusually large amount of 118,000,000 bushels.

"Beerbon adds that the prospect of the moment is that the world's entire wheat production will be the smallest since 1901, and might easily prove to be below the world's normal consumptive requirements.

"The possibilities of the position are that between now and harvest time supplies will not exceed the market's demand and that in the new season there may be such serious falling off in the world's production and stock in hand as to justify a much higher level of prices than that now current."

Several persons perished in fire last night in lodging house—Twenty horses burned to death.

Sen Jose, May 25.—Eight or ten persons are believed to have been burned to death in a fire at the rear of Frederick Brown's commission store. In a few minutes after the fire broke out flames spread to G. W. Lafferty's livery stable and to the Union lodging house above the stable. In the room above were 40 sleeping lodgers who were first awakened by the noise made by the terrified horses in the stable below, who were harnessed in and stampeded. All the horses, 20 in number, were burned to death.

# MEAT PRICES MAY ADVANCE

## OWING TO ACTION TAKEN BY TRUST

Payment on Cattle Shipments Will Be Withheld Until After Inspection.

Chicago, May 27.—Meat prices in Chicago may jump skyward this week. The packers have notified the commission firms that beginning to-day they no longer would stand the loss of condemned cattle and in order to protect themselves had found it necessary to refuse payment on "cow stuff" until it had passed the government inspection.

During the latter part of last week thousands of letters and telegrams were sent out by commission men to customers notifying them of the stand taken by the packers and advising them to withhold all shipments of cattle to the big markets controlled by the trust until the difficulty has been adjusted.

This is expected to cut the meat supply tremendously before the week is over and prices are expected to go up correspondingly. Commission men declare it is the intention of packers to enforce the rule with regard to "cow stuff" now in the hope that similar action may be taken later with reference to their purchases of sheep and hogs.

Some of the leading commission firms and shippers have communicated with the secretary of agriculture at Washington with regard to the new action on the part of the packers and it is said assurances have been given that any attempt to delay payments on live stock as threatened by the packers, would result in the withdrawal of the inspection service.

FAMILIES BURNED OUT. Redvers, Sask., May 25.—Fire broke out early this morning in Groff's building. The building comprises a large general store, rented and occupied by Curie and three room upstairs, rented by two families. The whole building was totally destroyed. The loss is \$14,000, the building and stock being insured.

The occupants upstairs lost everything, having saved not even their wearing apparel.

SUDDEN DEATH. Michael O'Brien Found dead in His Cabin on Pembroke Street.

Michael O'Brien, an iron moulder, was found dead in his cabin yesterday by a companion, R. Jeffries. Deceased lived on Pembroke street, and had been ill for some time. The cause of death is unknown as no physician was summoned prior to death. An inquest will be held this afternoon.

FIGHT BETWEEN RIVAL COMPANIES. HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE'S LATEST MOVE.

Will Place Vessels on the Direct Service From Liverpool to New York.

Liverpool, May 27.—The Hamburg-American Steamship Company has definitely decided to establish a direct service between Liverpool and New York. Other developments are expected to follow this move.

Herr Baillin, director general of the Hamburg-American line, has appointed the Messrs. Maciver, Liverpool ship owners, as the company's agents. This firm has for a long time been connected with the Cunard line.

The move of the Hamburg-American line is considered to be an offset to the competition of the White Star line at Southampton and may have an important bearing on the plans of the Cunard company.

E. C. Evans, C. P. R. brakeman, is stepping off a caboose at Maclean, slipped and fell under the wheels, one of his legs being badly crushed and the other much cut. He was taken at once into Regina on a light engine, and was operated on in the hospital, one leg being amputated. His condition is critical.

JEALOUS VETERAN'S CRIME. Shot His Housekeeper and Then Ended His Own Life.

Washington, May 26.—Silas Putnam, 63 years old, a clerk in the war department, and a veteran, last night shot and killed Mrs. Emma Deavers, 40 years old, a widow with five children, and then committed suicide. The double tragedy occurred at the Putnam farm, a half-mile from Falls Church, Va. Mrs. Deavers was housekeeper for Putnam. Jealousy is believed to have caused the crime.

The westbound freight ran off the track one mile east of Carberry, Man., on Friday. Five cars were derailed and destroyed. No one was injured.

# UNREST AMONG NATIVES OF INDIA

## HINDUS ENCOURAGED BY SUCCESS OF JAPS

Lawyer and Companion Arrested When on Way to Tokio to Seek Assistance.

Lahore, British India, May 27.—Those who have been attributing the unrest in India to the victory of the Japanese over the Russians, find confirmation for their belief in documents found in possession of the Hindu lawyer and a companion arrested here in connection with the recent riot at Rawal Pindi.

The documents show that the men taken into custody were on their way to Tokio to solicit intervention on behalf of a native revolt against British rule.

TIGER AT LARGE. Escaped From Cage in Menagerie and Killed Little Girl Before It Was Shot.

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 26.—A special from Twin Falls, Idaho, says that a tiger escaped from the menagerie of a circus there yesterday, killed a little girl and a shetland pony and was finally dispatched by a brave pioneer armed with a 22-calibre revolver.

The tiger broke down the door of his cage by beating it with his paws. He first sprang upon a pony. A keeper drove him off with an iron bar. The tiger attacked a second and third pony, and when driven away by the keeper, leaped into the crowd.

The guns kept for emergencies like these too far away to be available. A panic followed. Women grasped their children and dragged them from the path of the maddened animal. The screams of the frightened spectators mingled with the trumpeting of the elephants and the cries of the excited animals in the cages.

Through the crowd the tiger rushed toward the main entrance. Mrs. S. E. Rosell and her four-year-old daughter Ruth could not get out of the way and were knocked down. Holding the mother with his paws the tiger sank its teeth in the neck of the child, which occurred two hours after the tiger had escaped into the crowd.

J. W. Bell, a blacksmith, was standing with his wife and children near Mrs. Rosell. Thrusting his family back, Bell drove his revolver and opened fire. When the first bullet struck the animal in the shoulder he winced, growled angrily and lashed his tail.

The second shot caused him to reel. Mrs. Rosell, and at the third he took flight. Bell followed and sent three more bullets into the beast as it ran outside the tent. In the open air it crawled some distance, then in final rally it started back toward the crowd. Bell had reloaded his weapon and was ready to renew the combat, but the tiger was mortally wounded. He rolled over on the ground and, snarling and biting, he died.

INCENDIARISM SUSPECTED. Fire Bug Believed to Have Started Blaze in Which Several Persons Perished.

San Jose, Cal., May 26.—Four bodies have been taken from the ruins of the fire on Market street. This ten or a dozen other bodies are in the ruins, the firemen and searching parties have little doubt of an examination of the burned premises, which were a veritable fire trap, and the statements of the keeper of the lodging house.

G. W. Lavery was arrested Saturday on suspicion of having set fire to the feed store, where the blaze started. When the fire was first discovered there were about forty men asleep in the Union lodging house, and the stamping of the terrified horses in the stables below gave the alarm. Rushing into the hall, half clad, groping their way through the blinding smoke, many of the frightened lodgers, guided by the firemen, reached the street in safety.

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DIED WHILE ON PLEASURE TRIP

REPORT ON SEEDING IN MANITOBA-- How Prairie Capital Celebrated Victoria Day.

Toronto, May 24--Dr. F. W. Lewis, of Orangeville, M. L. A., for Dufferin, died suddenly in Toronto this morning from heart disease. He was here with his wife to attend the races. Dr. Lewis was a Conservative, and had represented Dufferin in the legislature for several years.

Winnipeg, May 24--Victoria day was dedicated to athletic sports here, and thousands attended the various sporting tournaments and events, including professional baseball, which attracted a record attendance, even for Winnipeg, which is noted for its devotion to the diamond. Senior lacrosse was the only branch of sport which was not included in the program.

Winnipeg, May 23--The weekly seeding report made by the agents of the C. E. R. Shows that in a large portion of the country the wheat has all been sown, and at many points the sowing of the coarse grains is well advanced. The weather has been uniformly good, and in certain districts there has been rain. Within a few days the seeding will be virtually completed in all parts of the country, and with favorable weather the results ought to be very satisfactory to western people.

Winnipeg, May 22--The delegates to the convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew are gathering to-day from distant parts of the Dominion and the United States, meeting in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. The Dominion council was engaged in private session this morning and met again this afternoon. The organization meeting was held to-night, consisting of devotions conducted by Archdeacon Fortin, reading of the constitution and reports, notices of motion and nomination for the new council. To-morrow morning at 11 o'clock addresses of welcome will be given by Archbishop Matheson, Mayor Ashdown and General Secretary W. T. Hart of the Y. M. C. A.

Winnipeg, May 23--James Barnes, a well-known Canadian Pacific chief dispatcher, died suddenly at Brandon to-day. He was 72 years of age, and had been twenty years with the company and was highly regarded.

Winnipeg, May 23--The bank clearings for the week show a total of \$1,864,806, compared with \$1,776,291 for the same week last year, a record for spring months. Calgary clearings were \$1,474,004.

Winnipeg, May 23--The funeral of the late W. F. Luxton will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence on Graham avenue, to Holy Trinity church and thence to St. John's cemetery. Archdeacon Fortin will conduct the services at the church. The members of the Typographical Union and the officers of the press will attend the funeral in a body. The pall bearers will be Hon. R. P. Roblin, Hon. Robert Rogers, Wm. Hespeler, M. P. P. James Fisher, Sheriff Inkster and Prof. McDermid.

Two Drowned. Selkirk, Man., May 23--A fishing boat containing four half breeds from St. Peter's reserve, near here, was run down by the tug Frederick to-day and capsized. Two of the men were drowned, but the others were saved by the crew of the tug.

Ended Her Life. Toronto, May 23--Mrs. D. L. G. Rumpkin, wife of a drug clerk, was found dead in bed at her boarding house on Cecil street to-night. The woman was 27 years old and had been married only two months. It was a case of suicide by drinking carbolic acid. She came from Nova Scotia.

From London. Toronto, May 23--Steamer Corunna, sister ship of the ill-fated Morena, wrecked on Sunday off Cape Race, reached Toronto from London and is discharging her cargo of pig iron.

PRISONER'S SUICIDE. Man Charged With Being Implicated in "Black Hand" Murder Hanged Himself in Jail.

New York, May 24--The trial of three alleged "Black Hand" men on the charge of murdering a man in Brooklyn, was abruptly terminated to-day. Recco Panastro, one of the men, was taken to the Raymond street jail by hanging himself. After the opening of the Supreme court Genaro Spotto, another of the trio, withdrew his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. Then, upon the recommendation of District Attorney Clark, the court sentenced Panastro to the State Prison at Sing Sing, in the name of the Standard Oil Co. in recognition of his personal efforts to develop commercial relations between this country and the United States.

Motor omnibuses in London carried 184,000 people last year, against 180,000 carried by the tramway cars, stated Lord Montagu, of Beaulieu, at a meeting of the Society of Arts.

G. B. BURLAND DEAD.

Well Known Business Man of Montreal Passed Away at Los Angeles.

Montreal, May 23--G. B. Burland, president of the British-American Bank Note Co., and one of the leading business men of this city, died at Los Angeles yesterday, where he had gone in search of health. Mr. Burland, who was in his 79th year, was born in Ireland in 1828. He came to Canada in 1850 and became identified with the bank note engraving business after founding the British-American Note Co., of which he became president. Mr. Burland was connected with many public institutions and was one of the wealthiest men in Canada. He was prominently identified with Montreal's business life for many years, was president of the Lehigh Rapids Hydraulic and Land Co., a life governor of the Montreal General hospital, as well as many other institutions to which he contributed liberally. He is survived by his wife, a nurse whom he married a few months ago.

THE HAYWOOD TRIAL.

Little Progress Made With Work of Selecting Jury.

Boise, Idaho, May 24--Of the sixty talesmen summoned under the new venire, 44 await examination for qualification as jurors when court opens to-morrow for the eleventh day of the trial of Wm. D. Haywood, charged with the murder of former Governor Frank Steunenberg.

Henry Curtis, the tenth talesman called yesterday to stand the test, was first of the new venire to make his thing like a stand under the questioning of the prosecution. Just before the adjournment of court for the day he was passed by the test cases after a close examination, which developed the fact that he was at one time a member of the railroad men's union and that he had closely investigated the question of Socialism. In answer to questions by the state, Curtis said that there were some things about Socialism that appealed to him, but that taken altogether the whole question seemed to be "in a haze and not quite applicable to the age in which he lived." Curtis is the first of the talesmen under examination who has shown that he has made any real study of Socialism, and from the evidence to which he has been examining talesmen as to their views of the question, the result of the examination of Curtis by the defence to-day is interesting.

With eight peremptory challenges yet to come, and two talesmen to test, including Curtis, occupying chair, nine and Willock, who has been chosen for a jury out of the 44 remaining talesmen is not encouraging.

MANY INDICTMENTS.

Returned Against Railway and Telephone Officials By 'Frisco Grand Jury.

San Francisco, May 24--The grand jury this evening returned bribery indictments against the following: President Patrick Calhoun, of the United Railroads, 14 indictments; Thorwald Mullaly, assistant to Calhoun; Attorney T. L. Ford and W. M. Abbott, legal department of the United Railroads, 14 each; Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz, 16; Abraham Ruef, 14; President Louis Glass, of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Theodore V. Hatzey, formerly an agent of the corporation, Ruef, Schmitz, Calhoun, Mullaly, Ford and Abbott are charged with fixing the gas company's rate and receiving \$5,000 in the United Railroads franchise deal. The indictments against Glass are additional to the 12 indictments already returned against him on the charge of bribing superintendents to refuse a competitive telephone franchise.

APPROVES ACTION OF H. R. EMMERSON

Liberal Convention at Moncton Expresses Confidence in Former Minister of Railways.

St. John, N. B., May 23--A Liberal convention was held at Moncton yesterday and last night. H. R. Emerson had a great reception. He repeated his reasons for resigning, saying he wanted to be free to fight his slanders to a finish and to leave Sir Wilfrid Laurier unembarrassed.

The first resolution passed dealt with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's application for running rights over the Intercolonial, declaring that the granting of such rights would be prejudicial to the interest of the Maritime Provinces.

The second resolution condemned the Conservative campaign of personal slander and abuse, referred to the allegations against Mr. Emerson, and the convention accepting in the most unqualified sense Mr. Emerson's denial in parliament of the charges, approved of his resigning his portfolio and appealing to the courts for justice, and further hoped that on obtaining that vindication which it is believed the honor of the name of Emerson is entitled to, he will resume the administration of the department of railways and canals, continuing to its fullest fruition that policy of successful reform respecting the Intercolonial railway which he had inaugurated.

HONOR FOR AMERICAN.

King Carlos Confers Title on A. Patterson, Representative of Standard Oil Company.

Lisbon, May 23--King Carlos has conferred the title of Baron on A. Patterson, manager of the holdings of the Standard Oil Co. in recognition of his personal efforts to develop commercial relations between this country and the United States.

STRATHCONA MONUMENT

Erected to Memory of Soldiers Who Fell in South Africa.

Montreal, May 23--The Strathcona memorial monument was unveiled yesterday with impressive ceremonies, accompanied by a big military display. The unveiling was performed by Chief Justice Fitzpatrick, who extolled Lord Strathcona and the deeds of the regiment he raised for South Africa. Principal Peterson presented the handsome equestrian statue to the city, and Mayor Ekers made an appropriate reply.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

Report That Premier Will Sail For Canada on June 1st.

Ottawa, May 23--A special cable says Sir Wilfrid Laurier will sail for Canada on June 1st. This is earlier than expected. No official information has been received regarding the Premier's departure for Canada.

TO NORTH POLE BY AIRSHIP

WALTER WELLMAN ON WAY TO NORWAY

Start Will Be Made From Spitzbergen Between July 20th and Aug 10th.

New York, April 25--A dispatch from London says: "Walter Wellman left here yesterday for Norway in connection with the project to reach the North Pole. All the members of the party will assemble at Spitzbergen on June 5th or 6th, and the start for the pole will probably be made between July 20th and August 10th.

"Our first endeavor," said Mr. Wellman, "will be to reach the North Pole. Once there we shall return by whatever route is most favorable. You must not think we are over confident of being successful. Far from it, I know so much about the nature of our expedition that I am almost half afraid of it."

Major Harsey, of the United States meteorological department, will be one of the three men who will accompany Mr. Wellman.

RIOTING IN 'FRISCO.

Mob of Strike Sympathizers Demolished Car and Assaulted Crew.

San Francisco, May 23--In consequence of increased violence attending the extension of service by the United Railroads to several new lines to-day, Thorwald Mullaly, assistant to President Calhoun, to-night made a demand on Chief of Police Dinan for better protection by the police for the company's property and employees to-morrow.

Shortly after 5 o'clock about 200 strike sympathizers mobbed an Eighth street car at Eighth and Bryant streets. Motorman John Brooks and Conductor Barry Hurst, operating the car, were badly beaten, and they sustained injuries necessitating their removal to the Central Emergency hospital. They might have suffered even worse at the hands of the mob had they not been rescued by the timely arrival of 20 inspectors from the car barns at Tenth and Bryant streets. The car was almost completely demolished.

The track for two blocks on Bryant street, near Twenty-second, were covered with cobblestones, barrels, lumber and other debris, making it impossible for the car to pass, while in another block on the same street deep excavations had been made under the street.

While walking in McAllister street, near Laguna, to-night, John Lee and Fred Turner, two non-union employees of the United Railroads, were attacked by a crowd. They were rescued by the police, but not until they had been severely beaten.

FATAL FIRE.

Utica, N. Y., May 23--Fire in the Metropolitan hotel shortly after midnight caused less than \$5,000 damage. Mrs. Hannah S. Zintmaster, an employee of the hotel and George James, a guest, were suffocated in their rooms and died before the firemen got them to the street. Six or seven persons were overcome with smoke, and had to be carried out by the firemen, and five or six who attempted to slide safely down the ropes from their rooms were either injured by striking the wall or walk too severely or had their hands badly lacerated.

KILLED ON RAILWAY.

Dunkirk, N. Y., May 24--Mrs. Carmelina Crimi, wife of a wire broker, of Boston, Mass., was killed here to-day. She was out driving with her husband and a party of friends when the horses ran away, throwing the occupants out of the carriage. Mrs. Crimi fell upon the tracks of the Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Company. A heavy work train was passing and Mrs. Crimi rolled under the wheels.

THE SCHMITZ CASE.

Twenty-Eight Talesmen Were Excused From Sitting on Jury Yesterday.

San Francisco, May 24--Of the fifty talesmen summoned yesterday for the Schmitz case, twenty-eight were excused this morning, leaving only twenty-two from which to complete the jury. Seven probationary jurors in all had been secured up to noon to-day.

ATIN MINERS HAVE ORGANIZED

TO FIGHT THE JAPANESE INVASION

Result of the Meeting Held at Discovery--Outlook for the Season.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) Discovery, B. C., May 18--A meeting on Wednesday, May 8th, to consider the Japanese question, resulted in an agreement to form a Miners' Protective Association, the objects of which are: To fight the invasion of the camp by Japanese; to induce no white man to work with them or work for the company employing them; to help those causing hardship thereby, and to induce all dealers and merchants not to cater for the company's trade so long as they employ Japanese labor.

Another meeting will be held on Sunday at 4 o'clock.

J. A. Fraser, gold commissioner; H. Young, mining recorder, and W. Pollock Grant, left Atlin for Victoria and lower coast this morning on matters of business, the latter with regard to litigation affecting interests in Atlin district, and he expects to return at the opening of navigation.

The Atlin Consolidated Mine Steam Shovel Company is anxiously awaiting the arrival of a dipper and teeth for the shovel. If the latter does not arrive within a week it will mean a serious delay in starting operations. Unless the machinery is brought in over the lee it cannot reach here until navigation opens about June 1st.

The weather in the district continues fine, and indications are that the miners will have a busy season.

MEETING TO DISCUSS GRAVEL

MAYOR'S SCHEME IS TO BE CONSIDERED

Spring Ridge Question Will Be Brought Up at Gathering Tuesday Night.

The most important matter before the council and municipal circles next week will be the settlement of the Spring Ridge gravel question. At a public meeting to be held in the city on Tuesday night the city and the property owners of Spring Ridge will consider the Mayor's new proposition for the settlement of the question. This is to enter into a contract with individual owners to allow the city to enter on their property and excavate gravel property to the level of Chambers street and Fernwood road. The property owners are to be credited with the value of the sand removed and debited with the cost of removal of the material used for filling in the estimate of the improvements.

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VANCOUVER CELEBRATION.

Athletic Events in the Terminal City Were Well Patronized.

Vancouver, May 24--The 24th passed off here with glorious weather, and all events were well patronized. A large crowd witnessed the international games between Hindus, Indians and Chinese at Brockton Point. The goal Hindus and Indians scored one goal each in a funny game. In the first of the Indians were first, Hindu second and Chinese third. The wrestling match between the Hindu, Baba Singh, of Beilingham, and Indian Harry, was broken up by pressure of the crowd just as the Hindu had apparently a fall. Another match between the two men for \$50 a side has been arranged. Big crowds also attended the horse races at Hastings and the sports at Steveston. Great interest was felt in the Victoria events.

CHINESE TRIED TO EVADE THE LAWS

Made Determined Attempt to Escape From Steamer While Lying at Guaymas.

Guaymas, Mexico, May 23--Twelve hundred Chinese on the British steamer Maori King, made a determined attempt to evade the Mexican quarantine laws and reach shore. They took possession of the steamer's launches and boats and jumped over the side of the vessel in hordes. The lighthouse tender Magellan was dispatched to the scene and drove the Orientals back to the steamer. During the trip across the Pacific, a mutiny occurred among the Chinese and about twenty were killed. They are a wild and turbulent lot and have given considerable trouble while on the steamer.

PROPAGANDA OF PEACE.

Mohawk Lake, May 23--To-day's session of the Mohawk Lake conference on international arbitration was devoted exclusively to the consideration of methods of spreading the propaganda of peace by teaching pupils of the public schools and students of the colleges.

NEW PRESIDENT.

New York, May 23--Geo. W. Harper, who for nearly ten years has been treasurer of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., has been elected president of that company. He takes the place of Geo. D. Hildreth, resigned. Mr. Harper was also elected a member of the board of directors.

APOPLEXY CAUSED DEATH.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 23--Hugh Quigley, formerly identified in a business way with President McKinley, died yesterday from apoplexy.

AMBASSADOR ENTERTAINS.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reid.

London, May 23--The third of a series of elaborate entertainments which have marked the London season was given at Dorchester House last night, when Ambassador and Mrs. Reid entertained at dinner the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, accompanied by Prince Arthur and Princess Patricia of Connaught. Ambassador and Mrs. Reid had a very distinguished company to meet their Royal guests.

Lorchester House was beautifully decorated, flowers being used in the greatest profusion. Around the marble pillars in the hallways were grouped plants of various kinds, while the staircases and reception rooms were tastefully decorated with pink roses and hydrangeas.

After the dinner there was a small dance, and to this there came in many other guests, including Prince and Princess Christian of Denmark, and their daughter Princess Victoria. During the evening supper was served at small tables under a large marquee which had been erected over the terraces.

MIXED POISON WITH PANCAKES

DEATH OF AN OLD MAN IN MONTREAL

By Mistake He Used "Rough on Rats" Instead of Baking Powder.

Montreal, May 23--Victoria Day brought death to the home of Wilbert Parent, who lived on St. Elizabeth street, from extraordinary circumstances. The Captain's parent neglected his duty as commander of the vessel by locking himself in his cabin and committing suicide after she ran on the rocks instead of trying to save the ship and passengers, who, however, were all safely landed.

RUSSIAN PREMIER'S NOTE OF WARNING

Conflict Between House and Government--Speeches Causing Agitation Among Peasants.

St. Petersburg, May 23--Premier Stolypin caused a sensation in the lower house of parliament to-day by unexpectedly announcing that a serious conflict existed between the house and the government, and scoring an effective point by showing that the agrarian committee of the house had proceeded to solve the whole agrarian problem without consulting with any representative of the government. The Premier concluded by announcing that the forcible expropriation of land could not be permitted, and warning the house that speeches exciting the peasants were beginning to cause a dangerous agitation in the provinces, which the government was determined to restrain.

The Premier declared that the agrarian committee of the house yesterday had formally adopted the principle of forcible expropriation of land without waiting to ascertain the government's attitude. It was the Premier's duty therefore to enlighten the deputies. Fundamental principles maintained by the government had been disregarded. An openly revolutionary tone marked most of the speeches, and insults had been aimed at the government.

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TO MARK BOUNDARY.

Canadian Party Headed By A. J. Brabazon Will Leave for the North on Sunday.

A. J. Brabazon, of the Dominion boundary survey corps engaged in the delimitation of the line between Alaska and Yukon in the vicinity of Forty-mile, will leave Vancouver for the North on Sunday on the steamer Dolphin provided arrangements to have that vessel call at Seattle from Seattle to Skagway on Saturday night. Mr. Brabazon will take ten men, a quantity of supplies, and possibly some horses from Vancouver. The party, which will operate in conjunction with an American force, will be absent till fall.

SHERIFF SWEETLAND'S ESTATE.

Ottawa, May 23--The late Sheriff Sweetland's estate is valued at \$158,007. The bulk goes to his three daughters.

SEEKING HEIRS TO FORTUNE.

English Barrister Who Visited States Will Report Search Has Been in Vain.

New York, May 23--A dispatch from Washington says: "Arthur Delroy, an English barrister, who recently came to the United States to search for heirs to the famous De Golla estates in England, will soon return to report that his search has been in vain. As a result the bulk of the \$4,000,000 De Golla fortune will probably revert to the British crown.

Mr. Delroy's mission to America disclosed that John Cook, a nephew of Mr. De Golla, died in the government hospital for the insane here in 1900. His only living relative is his sister, Sarah Cook, an inmate of the Norfolk, Va., hospital for the insane, who is unable to enjoy any of the vast wealth in her own life. A sufficient sum will be turned over to the hospital authorities.

John Cook's father came from England to this country many years ago, settled in Petersburg, Va., and rapidly built up a large jewelry business. He suddenly committed suicide and his daughter, Sarah, became insane. John Cook once had charge of the Norfolk, Va., hospital, but came to Washington six or seven years ago and soon gave evidence of a rapidly weakening mind. He was finally arrested and committed to the insane hospital where he died."

NEGLECTED IN DUTY.

Hamburg, May 24--The admiralty has decided that the wreck of the Hamburg-American line steamer Princess Victoria Louise, near Kingston, Jamaica, on December 16th last, was due to Capt. Bruswig's mistaking one light for another and maintaining full steam at a time when he should not have done so. The decision of the court concludes with saying that Captain Bruswig neglected his duty as commander of the vessel by locking himself in his cabin and committing suicide after she ran on the rocks instead of trying to save the ship and passengers, who, however, were all safely landed.

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TO OPEN A MISSION AT PRINCE RUPERT

Methodist Church Will Send Rev. Thos. Keyworth There--Rev. S. J. Thompson Returns.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Rev. S. J. Thompson, of the Central Methodist church, returned here yesterday from the conference at Vernon, which closed Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Thompson reports one of the most successful conferences ever held in the upper country. He reports that no changes were made in the ministerial personnel of Victoria except that Mr. Dunham's place at James Bay will be taken in the course of a few months by Rev. George R. Kinney, B. A. Meanwhile Mr. Dunham who goes to college, will fall will continue to fill the pulpit.

In the district, Thomas Keyworth has been sent from Salt Spring Island to open a mission at Prince Rupert. It is expected that Rev. A. J. Elson of High park will fill the pulpit at Salt Spring. Rev. W. C. Scheller, of Ladysmith, has been transferred to Grand Forks. Rev. Robt. Wilkinson, of Langley, has been appointed to succeed him. Rev. R. J. McIntyre, of Cumberland, has been transferred to Summerland. Rev. H. S. Hastings, of Greenwood, succeeds him there. Rev. E. B. Laidley, of Halliburton street, Nanaimo, has been superannuated. His church will be supplied.

RAILWAY WRECK.

Many Persons Reported Killed and Injured in Accident in Mexico.

City of Mexico, May 24--A telegram to the Herald from San Luis Potosi, says that a serious wreck has occurred near that city, caused by a collision between freight and passenger trains. Many are killed and injured. Doctors and nurses have left San Luis Potosi for the scene. No details are procurable at this hour.

UNIONIST DEMONSTRATION.

Ulster Members Condemn Mr. Birrell's Irish Bill.

Belfast, May 25--A great demonstration of the Ulster Unionists last night unanimously condemned Mr. Birrell's bill, which was characterized as "settling nothing and unsettling everything."

In Germany gas is manufactured of canal boats and used to supply the engines which propel the boats. When the economical and satisfactory of moderate-sized boats.

THE OKANAGAN WANTS COLLEGE

GENEROUS OFFER MADE BY MR. POLSON

Final Draft of Stations Submitted to Conference-- Few Changes in This District.

Vernon, B. C., May 23--A pleasant surprise was sprung upon the Conference yesterday when Mr. Polson, of Vernon, offered to donate a suitable site and four hundred acres of land for the establishment of a Methodist college in Vernon. This morning Principal Sippell was able to submit more particulars and it is probable that in addition to this offer \$25,000 will be pledged in the Okanagan valley towards the same project. Mr. Polson himself giving of this amount 10 per cent.

What may result from the offer is not known, in view of the importance of the Columbia college at New Westminster, but the Conference has appointed a sub-committee to examine the matter and have six months in which to deliberate.

The stationing committee has submitted the final draft. The only changes in Victoria district are the retirement of R. B. Laidley from Halliburton street, Vancouver, and Rev. Geo. B. Kinney, of Rev. W. Chollister of Ladysmith; Rev. H. S. Hastings to succeed Rev. R. J. McIntyre of Cumberland, who goes to Summerland, and Rev. Geo. B. Kinney, B. A., who takes Rev. Mr. Dunham's place in James Bay.

The final stations for the district are as follows: Superintendent John Robson, secretary; Rev. E. Mansel, secretary of stationing committee.

Metropolitan, Geo. K. B. Adams; Geo. W. Dean and Wm. Sheridan, superannuated; J. B. Hicks, editor of the Western Methodist Recorder, by mission of the Conference; A. J. Brace, allowed to engage in Y. M. C. A. work, by permission of the Conference.

Central, S. J. Thompson. Victoria West, A. E. Roberts. James Bay, G. B. B. Kinney, B. A. Chinese Mission, one to be sent (C. V. T.). Japanese Mission, one to be sent. S. Indian Mission, (E. N.). Nanaimo, Wallace and John Robson, B. A., R. B. Laidley, superannuated. Nanaimo Halliburton, to be supplied. Chinese Mission, one to be supplied. St. John's, W. J. K. Sidney, one wanted. Cowichan, Alex. W. Dever, one wanted.

Cowichan Indian Mission, Chas. M. Tate. Salt Spring Island, to be under supervision of Saanich. Ladysmith, Robt. Wilkinson. Cumberland Japanese Mission, native. Nimitad Indian Mission, C. A. D. Clayoquot Indian Mission, to be supplied.

Fred S. Okell, C. F. Connor, J. Wesley Miller, B. A., and W. E. Dunham, to attend college. Vancouver (Chinese supplied). Vancouver (Japanese supplied). Steveston, Goro Kaburagi left at his own request. Vancouver (English supplied). Vancouver (Chinese supplied). Vancouver (Japanese supplied). Vancouver (Chinese supplied). Vancouver (Chinese supplied).

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THE CELEBRATION.

Yesterday was simply a typical 24th of May holiday. The weather was glorious, but that is not unusual at this season of the year in Victoria; the crowd was the greatest that has ever partaken of the hospitality of the capital of British Columbia, and, notwithstanding that the demands upon hotel accommodation occasioned some inconvenience, it appeared to enter heartily into the spirit of the event and to enjoy itself thoroughly. Nothing untoward whatever occurred to mar the festivities. The various sports were entered into with feelings of generous rivalry and the results accepted in a truly sportsmanlike spirit. The national game of Canada is temporarily under a cloud in Victoria, and in what may be considered the chief event of the day our citizens had preference to be content with witnessing an exhibition of lacrosse between teams representing Vancouver and New Westminster. The match was a splendid one, in which experience and good generalship won against youthful skill and all-round excellence handicapped by natural impetuosity. Both the city on the inlet and her lesser rival on the Fraser said to be congratulated on the brilliant exponents of Canada's national game they have collected and developed. When Victoria's young men have learned the lesson that it is only by concentration of effort that success can be achieved, we shall have a good lacrosse team here capable of entering the lists against the best.

CANADIANS CANNOT BE INTIMIDATED.

At the dinner of the New York Canadian Club, ex-Secretary Shaw of the United States spoke with commendable frankness in expounding the policy of that country towards Canada. As the Times has already noted, Mr. Shaw intimated with distinctness that there is no possibility of reciprocity in trade between the American republic and Canada, except upon the terms the United States may choose to dictate. Such terms, Mr. Shaw explained, doubtless speaking with authority, would include the adoption by Canada of the American tariff and the American treatment of immigrants, together with the discontinuation of the present preferential policy of the Dominion in favor of Great Britain. Consequently the fiscal attitude of the two countries towards each other may be considered settled for the time being and until a new and more liberal spirit enters into the hearts of our neighbors, inasmuch as there is no possibility of Canada surrendering either her fiscal independence or revising her attitude towards Great Britain.

And Mr. Shaw did not have to wait long for a reply to his challenge. The Speaker of the Canadian House of Commons was one of the guests of the New York Canadian Club. Mr. Sutherland is a comparatively new man in the public life of this country. He is not very well known as yet outside of his own province of Ontario; but he will be well known before the lapse of many years, not only because he is an eloquent speaker, but because he is a representative of the most brilliant men intellectually in public life to-day. After reciting briefly the history of the commercial relations between Canada and the United States and recounting some of the difficulties we have encountered in establishing our industrial independence, leading up to the establishment of the very satisfactory conditions of the present day, Mr. Sutherland candidly informed Mr. Shaw that not only was the British preference an established and permanent feature of Canada's policy, but that there were other measures in contemplation which he hoped would still more emphatically indicate the difference of Canada towards the United States. The reform of the postal arrangements was one of these, and it was merely one of the auxiliaries of the British preference. Commenting upon Mr. Sutherland's speech, the New York Post, which, as our readers are aware, stands for sanity and common sense in the relations between nations, says: "How our obstinate refusal to treat with Canada as should sane, practical men in search of business, has repelled that country was told again on Thursday evening by Speaker Sutherland of the House of Commons at the Canadian Club dinner. When there was reciprocity between the two countries from 1854 to 1866, trade grew from \$20,000,000 to \$80,000,000 a year. But now, although, as Mr. Sutherland said, he and all Canadians have the most friendly feeling for the United States, and there are many ties that bind us together, we have, after repeated efforts

to get better trade relations with you, given it up as a bad job, and have drifted off to trade with other nations." He added a warning that even present conditions could not last. Here again is the clearest illustration of the way our dog-in-the-manger tariff policy makes enemies for us. Of what avail are peace congresses and speeches about our pacific intentions towards all nations, if we persistently run counter to the world-currents of peace and friendliness through trade?" The proposed fast steamship line between Great Britain, Canada, Asia and Australia may be considered as a further intimation of what Hon. Mr. Sutherland meant when he picked up the sage thrown down by ex-Secretary Shaw.

WORK OF "SUICIDE BUREAUS."

One of the features of Salvation Army operations in London and one that has accomplished most useful work and gained great commendation for its founder, is the Suicide Bureau, designed to frustrate the purpose of persons who, weary of life's burdens and despairing of retrieving their fortunes, have contemplated or attempted to commit self-murder. It is only in communities where the struggles of life are severe and where "man's inhumanity to man" is most conspicuous, that such institutions are called for or necessary. General Booth's London Bureau has already more than justified its existence by rescuing the despairing and establishing in their hearts more hopeful views of life. A branch has been set up in New York, where it has found a field even wider for its special work than that of London, because life is already more strenuous there than it is in the old world. Up to a month ago thirty cases had been passed upon by this latest suicide bureau, and in each one of them it was successful in dissuading the man or woman from his or her original purpose. One-third of the would-be suicides have already been provided with situations that will enable them to earn their own living and keep their minds occupied.

"I have served twenty-six years in the Army," said Col. Holland, the officer in charge of the New York bureau, to a press representative, "and I thought up to this week that I had never dreamed that there was a well of blackness still unrevealed to me. But my work in the bureau has laid bare a condition of the minds of men and women that is almost unbelievable. Heretofore I have thought that suicides were temporarily and to a certain extent insane at the time of committing the act. Now I know better. Nearly all the people we have talked with have been respectable persons, of middle age or over, with a few exceptions, and of a peculiarly reliable temper. They are the kind of people you can believe in. We have had no panhandlers trying to work us for jobs or money, although I looked for some cases like that. Every case has been worthy. And the amount of awful despondent sorrow that can fill the heart has appalled me. I have on my desk now the letter of a man of about sixty, whom I have already interviewed, and, I think, convinced. He told me that he tried to jump off a ferryboat and was only prevented by some kindly bystander. He is a man with friends and money, but, as he expressed it, 'too much gray in his beard'; a fine looking man, yet he cannot get work, and in this situation has made until he is actually ready to take his life. There are many positions a man like that can fill satisfactorily to himself and to his employers, so I am trying to find a chance for him. Of all our applicants but a couple were young—one a mere boy of seventeen, and the other barely twenty, both suffering from despondency. It is evident that the bulk of our callers will be elderly people, who have passed the prime of life, springtime, and the help given by this bureau are out of the way. It provides a means of reaching a class of people we cannot get in touch with otherwise."

Does not the foregoing contain a conclusive argument in support of the now general demand for the establishment by the state of old-age pension systems? If the deserving who in their declining years are forced to contemplate suicide as a means of escape from the too strenuous struggle of life were assured of a sufficient allowance to maintain themselves in decency, not to speak of comfort, there would be no necessity for such philanthropic institutions as the Salvation Army establishing "suicide bureaus."

MR. BOWSER'S HUMILIATION.

Readers of newspapers and all persons who take an interest in the conduct of public affairs in British Columbia will remember that at the last session of the legislature a bill was introduced by Mr. Bowser, the first member for Vancouver, purporting to provide regulations with respect to immigration into the province. The bill in question, its author explicitly stated, was designed to prevent the immigration of Japanese. But, like everything else emanating from the volatile Mr. Bowser, the measure was not regarded seriously either by the House or by the country. It was a palpable "play to the galleries." In a sense it was a government measure, inasmuch as its father was a sort of ex-officio member of the administration, holding the promise of the Premier that as soon as

INTENSIFIED FRUIT JUICES AN IMPROVEMENT ON NATURE

A Discovery that is Revolutionizing Medicine.

Remarkable Success Attends the Finding of a New Medicinal Compound by Combining the Juices of Apples, Oranges, Figs and Prunes.

Fruit helps to keep one healthy. Fruit, in itself, will not cure disease. The medicinal principle—or that part of fruit which has a curative effect—is in such instances contained in the condition of the stomach, liver, bowels, kidneys or skin. Just here is where science stepped in. An Ottawa physician did what nature could not do. He first found that some fruits were stronger medicinally than others—and that apples, oranges, figs and prunes contained all the healing properties of other fruits. There are two principles in fruit juices—bitter and sweet. After extracting the juices of the four fruits mentioned, this physician succeeded in replacing one atom of the sweet principle by one of the bitter. This resulted in an entirely new combination being formed. This new compound was many times more

active medicinally than the fruit juices. Where eating fruit only helped to keep one well, this compound actually cured disease. To make it more valuable still, this physician added the finest tonics and antiseptics, and then, by evaporating the entire compound to a powder, made it into tablets. This, in short, is the method of making "Fruit-a-tives"—these wonderful tablets—the most reliable cure for Constipation, Biliousness, Stomach Troubles, Kidney and Bladder Diseases and Skin Affections. Being made from fruit, "Fruit-a-tives" may be taken by women and children without fear of ill-effect. Don't take a substitute. If your doctor does not handle them, send for a box to Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

he (Mr. McBride), had gone through the early and making a pilgrimage to the fields beyond British Columbia. This is good news indeed, and all the better because we believe Mr. Pullen's statement has already been confirmed. At all events there can be no doubt of the fact that a strange sonnet has made his habitation in the locality mentioned. He was there last year and he is again there, and it is most devoutly to be wished that whoever he may be and whatever his genealogy he has been endowed with power to add to his numbers. In case anyone, memories of the days of long ago awakened by the recital of these things, should decide to pay a visit in the early morning to the fields beyond the hospital for the gratification of curiosity or feelings more creditable, we advise him that possibly he may be disappointed. Genius is proverbially capricious, and can never be absolutely relied upon. But if the person desirous of regaling his ear upon one of the most precious gifts of the gods be lucky to find the poet, he will be doubly fortunate. The poet, however, is not to be taken at his word, but rather a continuous series of thrills and runs, a perfect melody of sweet sounds, that will leave no doubt in his mind that the choir is led by a feathered artist. And if he be wise in his day and generation, the audience will be content to stand and listen. We know one person who was as fortunate as "Chorus" to arrive in this auditorium of nature just at the time when the concert was at its height, and in his ignorance he essayed to discover the leader. The sound, it is perhaps unnecessary to relate, was difficult to locate. It was not proceeding from any tree or bush or shrub or fence or other natural object in the neighborhood. Possibly an examination of the blue vault above might have been attended with more satisfactory results. But that also is doubtful, as the king of all songbirds, while on the ground it "builds its lovely nest," soars on "highest wing." As the well-known poet says, "The birds beyond the hospital leave many descendants to add to the attractions of Vancouver Island."

INDIA STILL RESTLESS.

The success of the Japanese is said to be at the root of the present unrest in India. The Indians have been educated by their masters and taught to think. After considering what a nation of Asiatics numbering forty millions have accomplished against what is reputed to be one of the great powers of Europe, they have doubtless arrived at the conclusion that there is no logical reason why another Asiatic nation numbering say three hundred millions should remain subject to another European nation numbering ten millions. The neighborhood of forty-two millions. After the Indians have perfected their thinking powers to a more mature point, they will probably revise their opinions. The regime of Great Britain in no respect resembles that of Russia nor can India be compared for a moment with Japan. The case is a national unit and has developed in a manner during the past quarter of a century that excites the wonder of the world. The other is divided against itself and is practically stationary in all the industrial arts. Certain of the critics of British administration in India, notably critics who have access to the United States press, point to the dreadful annual mortality in Hindustan from cholera and attribute it to the effects of British rule. They ignore the fact that the British administrators take every precaution that modern science can suggest to overcome the ravages of the plague and that their efforts have accomplished wonders. They also forget that the conditions in this respect, as well as in every other respect, are much more tolerable for the inhabitants of that distressed country than they were previous to British occupation. The natives of the country are temperamental and religiously fatalists. They believe implicitly in letting disease take its course, holding that it is the will of Allah or of the other deities they worship that millions of lives should

THE SKYLARK.

Some time ago, probably a year or more ago, the late James Dean wrote to the Times avowing that he had seen one of the skylarks imported into this island and heard it raising its voice in song. We were somewhat sceptical in regard to this statement at the time, because no one else of the many who had been keeping a watchful eye for the musical immigrants had either seen or heard of them and because it was well known at the time that our friend was himself nearing the shadow land and consequently was in a physical condition favorable to the cultivation of a very active imagination. But it appears that the song the poet heard was something more real than an echo of his own youthful days. Mr. Pullen, writing in the Colonist, tells his readers that some of the larks have actually been seen and that any doubting Thomases may hear some of them discoursing such music as has never be-

lieve precaution that experience can suggest has also been taken against the annual devastation from famine. Consequently all careful observers are agreed that it is well for India to-day, as it is for Egypt, that she has fallen under the benevolent rule—call it despotism if you will—of Great Britain. Under present conditions, while we may admit that the aspirations of the educated Hindus are not unreasonable, it is an incontrovertible fact that India cannot be governed from within. She is at present administered in a manner that confers the greatest possible amount of good upon the greatest possible number of her people; and it is well that the iron will of such a man as Lord Kitchener is interposed between the desires of mere visionaries and the results that would inevitably follow any considerable agitation in favor of home rule.

AT THE FOOT OF THE THRONE.

We are indeed sorry if anything we have said in a spirit of banter in regard to Premier McBride's mission to the "foot of the throne" has been taken too literally by an obtuse contemporary. Our desire was to dissipate the impression attempted to be conveyed that the Premier actually intended to appear before His Majesty in person and present his petition for better terms. No one presumed for a moment to suppose that when our representative made his obeisance before the constituted authorities in the Colonial Office that he would not be received with every courtesy nor that his application would not be promised every consideration consonant with the importance of the subject. Nor could there be the slightest reason to doubt that the Premier would be accorded every assistance in the power of the representative of the Dominion, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in pursuance of his important mission. Notwithstanding the fact that at the Ottawa Conference Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the face of the manifest opposition of such stalwart Conservatives as Premier Whitney of Ontario and Premier Roblin of Manitoba, proved himself a sincere friend of British Columbia and championed her application for better terms, Premier McBride did not comport himself with that dignity which implied either frankness or candor, but displayed a disposition rather to raise an issue that would be of assistance to him in the election campaign he had made up his mind to precipitate than to secure terms acceptable to the people of British Columbia—notwithstanding all this, it was only to be expected that the Premier of the Dominion would adopt a role in consonance with his high office and his personal reputation, and do all in his power to facilitate Premier McBride's case. Whether any good thing can come of the pilgrimage of Premier McBride is still a matter to be determined. It is scarcely conceivable that the Colonial Office will attempt to interfere in the purely domestic affairs of Canada even to the extent of making any form of recommendation. If the result shall be to take the matter completely out of the political arena into which it was precipitated by Premier McBride as far as this province is concerned, that will be something for which we shall have abundant reason to be thankful. And we fear it will not be pleasing to the present provincial government. In the meantime we are content to await the action the Colonial Office is said to have been prevailed upon to recommend by Premier McBride.

LUMBER PRICES.

Edmonton Dealers' Association Decides to Make Increase.

Edmonton, May 28.—The price of lumber in Edmonton will be raised on June 1st. Contractors will have to pay from \$2 to \$3 per thousand more than at present. The change chiefly affects native lumber, although certain classes of imported lumber will also take a jump in price. This action was taken by the Edmonton Lumber Dealers' Association, and the reason assigned for the move is increased cost of production of dressed lumber and the greatly increased demand.

THE CHEHALIS DISASTER.

Judgment For Defence in Case of Bryce vs. C. P. R.

Vancouver, May 22.—Mr. Justice Barron at noon delivered judgment in the case of Bryce against the C. P. R. arising out of the Chehalis disaster. Judgment goes for the defence with costs. The judgment very technical, covering twelve typewritten sheets.

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NOTED DIVINE'S VISIT.

Rev. Dr. Jordan, Occupied the Pulpit of St. Andrew's Church Yesterday.

The Rev. W. G. Jordan, D. D., professor of Old Testament literature in Queen's University, Kingston, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's church yesterday, both morning and evening. Although a little beyond mid-life, with hair silvery white, Dr. Jordan's youthful face illumined by kindness, reveals an eager mind in active sympathy with all social and intellectual movements. In the forenoon he preached from the second chapter of Zechariah—the passage that deals with the young man who, with measuring line, went forth to measure Jerusalem, and was told by the angel that his task was useless, that Jerusalem could not be confined within walls and that her only defence and glory were Jehovah.

In simple phrase, a mind of unusual rendition, gave forth a timely message on the expansive nature of that truth or which Jerusalem is the embodiment.

In the evening he took for his theme, Christ's personal challenge to the early disciples, "Follow Me." In dealing with this, he showed the worth of the individual, the essence of the Christian religion as personal loyalty to the living Christ, and the present duty of every man to serve his generation in following Christ.

Dr. Jordan left by the Princess Victoria this morning on his homeward journey. En route he will stop off at Vernon, Field, Calgary, Regina, and Winnipeg reaching home about the beginning of July.

RESCUED A PRISONER.

Calgary, May 25.—Last night a crowd mobbed a policeman and rescued a prisoner he had arrested for striking a woman in the theatre. Afterwards the mob went to the police station, five or six hundred strong, and threatened to burn it down, but they went away quietly when they found the man wanted had not been recaptured.

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The Dominion Real Estate Exchange reports experiencing less of speculative enquiry at the moment, but increased movement on the part of incoming settlers, to three who, within the last few days, they have disposed of one four-acre and two five-acre blocks, with sea frontage, on Royal Bay. Two of the buyers were from England and one from the Northwest.

Capt. Andrew Anderson, of the S.S. Oscar, was knocked down by a runaway horse on Government street yesterday afternoon, and as a result is suffering from a compound fracture of the leg. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, where Dr. Herman Robertson attended him. He is resting easily this morning.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The steamer Montana left Esquimalt on Sunday, having been cleaned and painted.

E. T. Hanson, of this city, who recently purchased the Stubbs' ranch at Cowichan Station, has taken up his home there. He has four or five hundred chickens. He has already built poultry houses and intends to build a new residence immediately.

A very successful parade of the Sons of England was held yesterday to the Congregational church on Pandora street. Both local lodges, the Princes of the Island and the Alexandras were represented. Rev. Herman H. Carson occupied the pulpit and preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

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News of the death of the wife of W. C. Ricardo, manager of the Coldstream ranch, was received in Vernon on Saturday. She died in London following the birth of her little girl a few days before. Mrs. Ricardo was married but a little over a year before. Mr. Ricardo sailed on Monday last from Montreal, in the hope of joining his wife in London. His death occurred the day he sailed.

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Mr. R. P. Butchart, after an absence of several months in the east, has returned to Victoria. Mr. Percy Keefe, of the Bank of B. N. A. at Dunsmuir, spent the holidays with his parents. Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Jones will leave in a few days on an extended trip to Ennsland and the continent.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King, of Toronto, spent a few days in Victoria during the week and were charming with the guests. They were staying at the Oak Bay hotel. On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Fred. R. Pemberton gave a large and delightful garden party at "Mount Joy," the event being in the nature of a farewell tea for Mrs. Pemberton, of Gonzales, who, with her daughter, Miss Susan Pemberton, expects to leave on Sunday for England. The tea table was done in yellow Iceland poppies, and the house generally was gay with a profusion of sweet scented lilac. Two tennis courts were going and those of the guests who did not care to play strolled around the spacious grounds admiring the beautiful flowers and shrubbery. Mrs. Pemberton wore a very becoming pongee silk with brown hat, and amongst her guests were Bishop and Mrs. Perrin, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ward, Bishop Crigge, Mr. and Mrs. Laundry, Mr. and Mrs. Arundel, Mrs. Flumerfelt, Mrs. Croxson, who had handsomely gowned in mauve, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Prior, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Beaven, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Martin, Captain and Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Audain, in pink muslin, Mrs. Lutton, Mrs. Hedden Gillespie looked well in white, Mrs. Bur-

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A Mobile Striking Force. An important change has been made in the organization of torpedo craft. The forty-eight destroyers which now make up the Channel and Home Fleet flotillas, have been divided into two groups, one based upon Sheerness, the other upon Portland. Cruisers have been told off to act as parent ships for each division. The scout Attentive is to be "flagship" of the Sheerness group, which will be under the direct control of a Commodore, whilst the Portland group will be under the immediate command of Rear-Admiral Montagu. The parent ships, the destroyers, the torpedo boats, the minesweepers, the auxiliary ships, and the auxiliary boats, are to be provided for the respective divisions. A special service division, composed of 27-knot destroyers, is also to be formed at Sheerness, and all torpedo craft in port with nucleus crews are to be placed under the command of the Home Fleet. Apparently, the torpedo craft organization has been remodelled, with a view of these vessels being quickly mobilized and sent to any part of the coast which may require them. As a whole, they will form a mobile, powerful striking force, that can be rapidly concentrated upon any given point.

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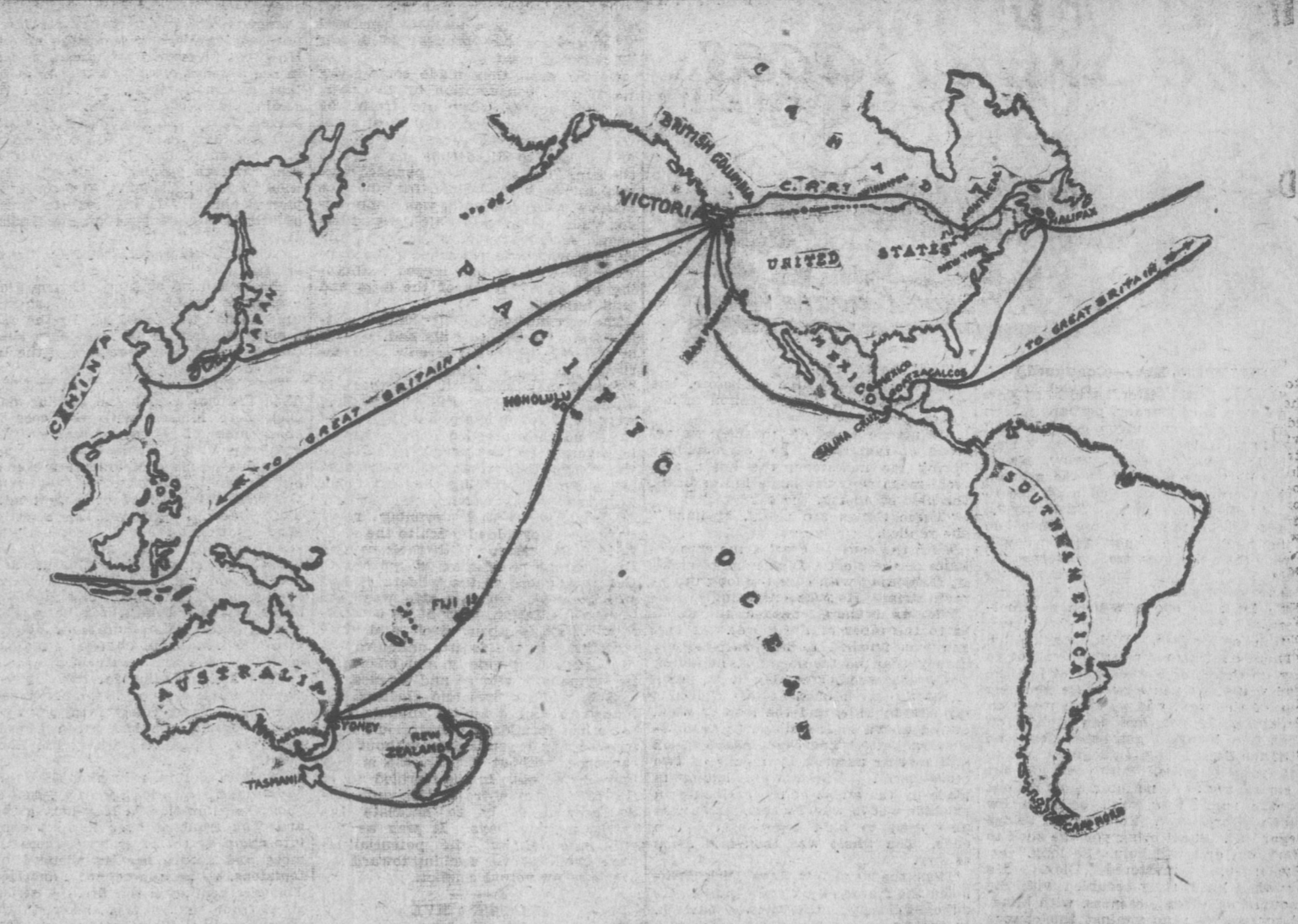
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