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UNPATRIOTIC AND UNJUST.

What has become of the Colonist's stated independence? It says there as never been any special demand for the establishment of a Normal School in Victoria and that the government's policy in that respect as outlined by the Premier must be accepted as quite satisfactory.

May we be permitted to ask what evidence our contemporary would desire as constituting a "demand"? Only a few months ago it published an important investigation of Victoria citizens and the Premier. The personnel of that delegation was absolutely non-partisan. It requested the establishment of a Normal School in this city and gave the reasons for its request. These reasons were generally accepted as conclusive at the time. Would our contemporary consider the fact that nearly two hundred pupils who passed the High School examinations at Victoria during the past two years were unable to attend the Normal School at Vancouver, thus fully qualifying themselves for the teaching profession, as clinching the arguments of the delegation? Would the further fact, which cannot have escaped its observation, that there is a demand for teachers which cannot be satisfied, and is being met by throwing down the examination barriers and inviting teachers from the other provinces to come in and fill positions which might as well be filled by native sons and daughters of the province, have any effect upon its un-receptive mind? Yet such are the facts. And in the face of them the Colonist maintains it can see no reason for the establishment of a Normal School in Victoria. In its anxiety to relieve the government from possible embarrassment in the face of an indefensible policy, our contemporary even goes the length of assailing and containing the position of Victoria as the natural and convenient educational and business centre of the Island. It winds up its disloyal and unpatriotic article by declaring that while a "Normal School in Victoria would be very convenient for Victorians, it would not be much greater accommodation for people outside of this immediate vicinity than the school at Vancouver is."

In short, the Premier declares that "Victoria shall not have a Normal School; that a Normal School may be established here in process of time, but that there are several other centres which are likely to be entitled to prior consideration. The Colonist endorses this position. One might have expected such expressions to come from the mouth of the Attorney-General, but coming from the mouth of a representative of Victoria and being endorsed by a newspaper which professes to speak with special vehemence on behalf of Victoria, what must the other members of the House think of them except that the dummy representation of the city on the floor of the Legislature truly reflects the lethargy and indifference of all Victorians?"

RACE TRACK GAMBLING.

The "horse" interests in the East do not appear to be so very much different from similar interests in the West after all. And what is applicable to the "horse" interests may also be accepted as applicable to the community generally. From the reputation of "unco gully" Toronto in particular one might have expected that anyone who got up and endeavored to maintain that open gambling was absolutely necessary to the successful conduct of any business would have received summary treatment at the hands of an indignant and outraged populace. That is precisely what the wealthy conductors of race meetings at Toronto have maintained in their opposition to the bill at present before Parliament for the regulation of betting on race tracks. One would almost think from the evidence these public-spirited gentlemen have laid before the committee that the high moral condition of the people depended upon the continuation of open gambling. They had so-called detectives before the committee of Parliament to prove from experience with criminals that, practically, bookmakers were a fine moral force in the community, a strong defence of the integrity of trusted employees in banking and other institutions. It is true that one real detective got up and by producing a long list of defaulters whose downfall was directly traceable to "playing the ponies" at the highly fashionable and profitable Woodbine course somewhat destroyed the effect of the testimony of the expert detectors from the United States.

But the strong bulwark of the patriotic horseman was the contention that the only effective method of developing the best friend of man is by racing him and proving his "qualities" against other horses. Put the race tracks out of business, they say, and

the horse is doomed to immediate deterioration and final decay. The very thought of such a consummation is terribly depressing. Better of course that a hundred young men should be ruined annually than that one noble friend of man should be denied an opportunity of demonstrating his mettle.

Neither the Woodbine nor the Blue Bonnet race track, we are told with emphasis, could continue in business if bookmaking were abolished by Act of Parliament. The reason for this is that in the one case the receipts from the bookies is in the neighborhood of seventy thousand dollars per meeting, in the other about sixty thousand dollars. One candid authority has defined bookmaking as figuring out such a percentage against the public as will insure the operator a substantial profit on his operations. The extent of that percentage may be estimated from the amount of the acknowledged receipts of the clubs and the profits left for the bookmakers themselves. Those enormous sums all come out of the pockets of the silly people who permit themselves to become obsessed with the idea that they can successfully buck the race track tiger. In other words, the public is practically robbed, with its own consent and by sanction of Parliament, for the support of race meetings and to enable shareholders in the clubs to realize enormous profits. That is the fact, when stripped of all the garnishing wrapped around it by the advocates of race track gambling. The Times protested against this form of swindling when it was adopted in connection with the Victoria Exhibition. The confessions of the racing men of the East are not likely to convince us of the necessity of changing our opinion of withdrawing our assent. Such methods have been demonstrated to be demoralizing in the extreme in this far western portion of the country. They cannot be otherwise in the east, whatever the superior moral stamina of the people. If racing cannot be conducted without bookmaking it ought to be inhibited by an act of Parliament, and placed where it belongs, in the category of confidence games.

The fact that the public will bet is no excuse for public endorsement being bestowed upon race track gambling. It is true that people will back their opinions on sporting events with money, privately if not publicly. But that is no excuse for official sanction being given to institutions which are maintained by professional gamblers who fix the odds in such a manner that they cannot lose and their patrons in the aggregate cannot win.

And when all sophistries are brushed aside the truth is revealed that gambling is just as demoralizing to "horse racing" as it is to any other legitimate sport. Why did the baseball magnates of the United States have to adopt drastic measures to purge the playing fields of gamblers? They had to do it to save the game. They were not moved by either altruistic or moral motives. It was a pure business proposition with them. Their enormous investment were threatened because the public was beginning to lose confidence in the bona fides of the players and refrained from patronizing the games. What was at the bottom of the action of so many states of the union in closing down upon the operations of race track men and practically compelling them to seek new fields on this side of the line for their objectionable business?

The Miller bill ought to pass, if not in the form originally introduced, at least in such a form as will effectually kill the demoralizing business of the professional bookmakers.

UNWARRANTED EXPENDITURES.

The McBride government spent \$280,700 without legislative sanction during the past financial year. As there was a general election on, the expenditure under special warrant was of course extraordinary. For the greater part of this enormous sum sanction ought to have been had in the regular constitutional way. Seventy-five thousand dollars was expended upon the construction of or repairs upon roads, trails and bridges nominally because the circumstances were urgent, but actually for the purpose of influencing the votes of residents in both organized and unorganized districts. That sum was really nothing less than a gigantic bribery fund taken from the pockets of all the taxpayers of the province. Government candidates were quite candid in making that fact known, as they frankly told the electorate that it was useless to elect members to oppose the administration if they desired expenditures on public works. That exemplifies one prominent feature of the superb Conservative organization in this province. It was supposed that the organization of districts into self-governing municipalities would eliminate this vicious feature of wholesale corruption. Under the McBride regime it has merely intensified the evil. If an organized district elects an opposition candidate, the people are told that as they have elected to stand independent of government assistance in the prosecution of municipal undertakings, it is useless for them to expect provincial aid. On the other hand, government candidates are to stand independent of government assistance in the prosecution of municipal undertakings, it is useless for them to expect provincial aid. On the other hand, government candidates

that they were beyond the means of the municipality, said: "Elect me, and the work you desire will be carried out." And they gave proof of their powers by having the improvements undertaken instantly. That was the purpose to which the seventy-five thousand dollars for roads, trails and bridges was devoted throughout the province. To the influence of this bribery fund the defeat of John Oliver in Delta can be directly traced. Doubtless it was applied with deadly effect in most of the other constituencies. That is a fair sample of the manner in which Premier McBride, now acclaimed as a statesman worthy of Dominion honors, practically brought about the annihilation of the Liberal party in the province as far as representation in the Legislature is concerned. The conversion of the civil service, of the license system, and of every powerful interest concerned in the exploitation of the resources of the province (the natural inheritance of the people), into cogs in the wheel of the political machine also assisted materially in bringing about McBride's magnificent triumph. The machine will continue to grind out splendid majorities until a general uprising against the most pernicious of all forms of despotism smashes it beyond repair.

In the meantime we hope to see this indefensible system of spending a large proportion of the provincial revenue in election years or any other year, by Royal warrant, stopped. It is an abuse which would not be tolerated in any other constitutionally governed portion of His Majesty's dominions.

TAX REDUCTION.

Up to a certain point the McBride government is to be commended for its decision to reduce the taxation upon the people of the province. It has, up to the point mentioned, adopted the suggestions of the opposition put forward during the late Parliament. The exemptions on improvements have been increased from five hundred to a thousand dollars. That was, we believe, a policy originally brought forward by Mr. Brewster, the member for Alberni. It will have a material effect in promoting the agricultural industry of the province, the one interest above all others in need of all the legitimate encouragement possible. Personally we know of more than one farmer who had firmly made up his mind to refrain from improving his land for the reason that immediately any improvements were made the assessor stepped in with his book of forms and, before any profit could possibly be derived from the results of enterprise, hoisted the assessment. Fining a settler for every improvement he makes is surely not the right way to go about the encouragement of the agricultural industry and wiping out the heavy "balance of trade" is the text of every Minister of Agriculture who assays to speak on the subject of the magnificent opportunities of our farmers.

In the matter of tax reduction in general as announced in the bill brought down yesterday, the government's policy is not likely to meet with absolute commendation, after it is thoroughly analyzed. The usual policy of governments in fixing the rate of taxation, when direct taxation is necessary, is to apportion the burden in accordance with the assumed breadth of the back to which the load is to be applied. In this instance the accepted process is completely reversed. The incidence of taxation is to fall most heavily upon persons in receipt of low incomes and most lightly upon persons receiving large incomes. For example, on incomes above seven thousand dollars per annum the tax is to be reduced one and one-half per cent., whereas on incomes up to two thousand dollars per annum the reduction is to be one-half per cent. only. On the intermediate grades of income this proportion of reduction is practically maintained. That is an example of the manner in which the McBride government is implementing its pledges of tax reduction. It fully bears out the naive confession of the organ which supports the government in all it does, right or wrong, "that it is not upon the man of large property that taxation bears most heavily. If he has to pay it out of," As a matter of fact, if the McBride government were to carry out the principle which is recognized in every other part of this and in other countries, salaries up to two thousand dollars (equivalent to much lower incomes elsewhere) would be altogether exempt from taxation. Instead of that it is proposed to lay the heaviest proportionate burdens upon the weakest backs.

Nothing is said in the bill brought down yesterday about the abolition of the revenue tax, an impost which is without any real justification whatever and is the cause of much vexation. But that measure comes under another head, and it may be that the Premier fully intends to implement his pledges in respect of it. If the present government does not remain in power until it has had opportunities to "finish its work," it will be succeeded by a government that will abolish all direct taxation. But our natural resources are rapidly taking unto themselves wings.

WITNESS MURDERED.

Manila, Feb. 2.—One of the principal government witnesses in the election frauds in Laguna province was murdered yesterday.

EDUCATIONAL NARROWNESS AND MEANNESS.

The Premier, who has the honor to be the senior representative of Victoria, intimates that his constituency, which logically and according to all precedent ought to be the headquarters of the educational system of the province, may in process of time have its rights recognized in the matter of a Normal School. But Mr. McBride also intimates that there are other sections of the province entitled to consideration in advance of Vancouver Island. The Islanders must run with patience the race set before them, and if the Premier and Mr. Bower have their way the course will be a long one. The fact is that a sufficient number of pupils passed the Victoria High School during one term last year to justify the establishment of a Normal School in this city. Only an insignificant fraction of these students were in a position to incur the heavy expense incidental to Normal training. The burden was too much for their parents to bear. Only the well-to-do can give their children advantages which should be common to all classes of the community. But there is more involved in the question than mere class discrimination within the province. There is discrimination against residents in the province and in favor of the scholastic products of other provinces. There is a dearth of teachers which might easily be met by the adoption of a liberal and fair educational policy. The government recognizes the want and proposes to meet it by (a) lowering the qualifications of teachers, (b) handing out insignificant dots to high school graduates in the hope of inducing them to attend the Normal School at Vancouver, and (c) raising the salaries of those who are in the profession. The first provision is certainly not likely to raise the standard of education in the province, the second cannot have any material effect because the cost of transportation is but a bagatelle compared with the expense of attending the provincial Normal School, the third is to be commended because it is generally admitted that salaries are altogether lacking in proportion to the importance of the duties discharged by teachers, but its effect will be to merely increase the discrimination in favor of the outside teacher as against the native product. The Times has never in the course of its career taken a narrow or sectional view of provincial questions. It recognizes no boundary lines in considering matters of domestic concern. But the fact is quite apparent that sectional consciousness must in this case, in almost every other matter be attributed to the McBride government. It deals with the educational problem entirely from one narrow and sectional standpoint. And that is undoubtedly the reason why it has failed so lamentably in its efforts to solve one of the most important of domestic problems. It has floundered from one expedient to another in its treatment of the educational question, with its mind fixed steadily upon one idea, and that idea not the well-being of the community at large, but the agrarianism of one pet section. The result is simply what might have been anticipated. The latest expedients will assuredly merely aggravate the situation.

We have been asked to make a note of the following communication addressed by the legal department of the city to the editor of the Colonist:

"Dear Sir:—We shall deem it a favor if you will kindly correct a quite erroneous impression which will be gathered from your leading article, which alleges that we, acting for the corporation, without authority sought to insert something in the arrangements between the corporation and the B. C. Electric Railway Company. Limited. This is not so. We received express instructions in December last from the council, upon unanimous vote, to see that the provision we asked for was made in any legislation which was provided at its one which has both verbally and in writing been suggested to the council by us, namely, that the agreement with the tramway company should be validated by statute, this being, in our opinion, the safer mode to give effect to the city's obligation. "MASON & MANN."

After giving the matter our most serious consideration, we can arrive at no other conclusion than that the heavens are also celebrating the great victory of the McBride-Bower British Columbia administration. How else can the arrival of Halley's comet, comet "A. 1910," and possibly also comet "A. 1909," all in the beginning of the year of grace 1910, be accounted for? As the spectrum, or some instrument just as reliable, has proved that comets are composed principally of gas, this deduction is surely quite justifiable. "Like attracts like."

In Chambers Wednesday Mr. Justice Morrison disposed of a number of applications as follows: Griffiths vs. Sims, to issue writ and service notice of same out of jurisdiction; leave granted, 10 days for appearance. Te Lang and Lunz Act to pass accounts and for an allowance; order made. Re Catherine Medina estate; to amend order of January 21; order by consent.

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ASK FOR SEVERAL CHANGES IN LAW

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Those who constituted the deputation were Mayor Bell, Enderby, president of the union; ex-Reeve Boze, Surrey; secretary; ex-Mayor Hall, ex-Ald. Henderson and Acting City Solicitor Mann, Victoria; ex-Reeve Quirk, Saanich; Reeve Byrne, Burnaby.

Among the requests which the deputation placed before the government were the following: An amendment providing that when a man pays his road tax the municipal collector shall take his application to be put upon the voters' list. This, it is felt, would be a great convenience and would ensure that every one who was entitled to be on the list by virtue of this qualification would be on.

An amendment to the clause giving power to pass by-law governing the hours for the sale of liquor so that the closing of bars would cover hotel bars as well as saloons.

The inclusion of private banks with incorporated banks in the matter of assessment for taxation.

The appointment of but one representative on police and license boards by the government instead of two, as at present.

Legislation to provide for municipal and government ownership of tele-phones.

A change in the definition of householders.

A change in the local improvement general act so as to consolidate it and make it more workable.

An amendment in the law relative to the establishment of highways that when lands are taken out for road purposes it be registered so that future buyers will know it.

Revision and consolidation of the Municipal Clauses Act in order to render it more intelligible and do away with much of the litigation now frequent under it. The deputation recommended that the act be divided into sections dealing with cities of the first class, cities of the second class and rural municipalities.

For the third time the Union urged that the government take over the Troutville sanatorium and conduct it as a public institution, it being the opinion of the members that the fight against the white plague was one for the province as a whole, and not for individual municipalities or private organizations.

An industrial home for aged men and women on the lower mainland was asked for, on the principle that the municipalities sending old people to it should be taxed per capita for their maintenance.

It was asked that justices of the peace shall not incur any expense which will fall upon the municipality without consultation with the reeve.

The proposition was made for the establishment of a species of county councils, the idea being that where, for instance, a trunk road runs through a municipality its maintenance shall be looked after by this body, the cost being borne equally by the government and municipalities.

The deputation thanked the attorney-general for last session's legislation in the matter of licensing of clubs, which they found had relieved cities of the trouble they used to have, especially with Chinese clubs.

VICTORIANS ACHIEVES SUCCESS AS SINGER

Miss Boscowitz Delights London Audiences—Will Enter Grand Opera

Papers from London, England, contain notices of the marked success as a vocalist of Miss Ada Boscowitz, daughter of Joseph Boscowitz of this city. The young lady is a native of Victoria, and it will be remembered that about three years ago she visited Victoria and on that occasion delighted Victorians by her singing. According to the London papers Miss Boscowitz appeared at Bechstein Hall in company with Mr. Morgan Kingsford, both pupils of Hugo Helms. Miss Boscowitz is described by the Times as having "a mezzo soprano of very sympathetic quality and a charm of style" which gave distinction to her interpretations. She sang Schumann's "Widmung" and Schubert's "Der Tod und das Madchen." All the London papers have most appreciative references to her singing. Miss Boscowitz intends shortly to go into grand opera. Victorians will watch with interest her future career in that line.

KENNEL CLUB HAS NAMED ITS JUDGES

Three Specialists Will Award Standing at Coming Show

The directors of the Victoria Kennel Club have appointed judges for the coming bench show to be held March 9th, 10th and 11th. They are: Mr. Lauder (late of Winnipeg), all setters and pointers.

Mr. Theed Pearce (late of London, Eng.), all terriers.

Mr. Geo. Tinto (Seattle, Wash.), all other breeds.

The above-mentioned gentlemen have had wide experience in breeding, showing and judging dogs. It is a new feature for Victoria City Kennel Club to have more than one judge. It is hoped that every person having good dogs will enter them and make this the banner show of the coast.

MAINTAINS STAND. Edgar Fawcett Persists That View Street Formerly Ran Between Broad and Government.

In connection with Edgar Fawcett's article in the Times claiming that View street originally ran to the harbor, Mr. D. W. Higgins has written to the press disputing the claim and asserting that the street was never a continuous one.

Mr. Fawcett stoutly maintains his assertion, and says in corroboration of it that the old copies of the directories and newspapers show different streets located at the corner of Wharf and View streets.

The bank clearings in the city for the week ending Tuesday totaled \$1,786,836, which shows that the financial business is keeping up well.

The Church of Our Lord has got a very convenient year book which has been printed by T. Hibben & Co. The little volume contains a vast amount of information, which has been put in the most condensed form. It is a pretty record of the year in that church.

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PETRIANA FOR VICTORIA TRADE

WILL PLY FROM HERE TO NORTHERN PORTS

J. Galt, of Northern Steamship Co., Was Here Looking Up Business

John Galt, manager of the newly-formed Northern Steamship Company, and formerly manager of the Union Steamship Co., of Vancouver, was in the city Monday looking up business for his two new steamers, the Petriana and another vessel which are at present on their way to this coast. Mr. Galt also looked into the possibility of securing dockage facilities from the Gillis Supply Company, who at present use the old Turner-Boston wharf. No definite arrangements have yet been made for the wharf, but it is probable that the new firm may use it.

The new steamers, it is proposed, will run to Stewart City, Queen Charlotte Islands and other northern points, calling at all small ports in much the same manner that the steamers of the Bowco witz line do at present. The headquarters of the new company will be in Vancouver, but the steamers will ply to this port if they find sufficient business to warrant their coming.

The Petriana is expected to arrive here next week, but as was announced in yesterday's Times she may be here any day, as she has not been reported since she left Vigo, where she put in for minor repairs. She is about the size of the steamer Vadso, and steams about ten knots, or nearly that. Her dimensions are as follows:

Length, 127 feet; beam, 27.9 feet, and depth, 12.3 feet. The cargo-working arrangements are excellent, and the vessel has large hatches, one 28 feet long, the other 21 feet long. The engines are triple expansion machinery with cylinders 15 inches, 26½ inches and 44 inches in diameter with a 20-inch stroke, and were built by Ross & Duncan, of Glasgow.

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KNOTTY PROBLEM BEING

Hearing in Court by Anderson v. S. Perry M

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FROM HERE NORTHERN PORTS

Northern Steamship as Here Looking up Business

Manager of the new Northern Steamship Company, manager of the Union Co., of Vancouver, was in today looking up business with the Petrina, a vessel which are at present to this coast. Mr. Galt into the possibility of seage facilities from the Company, who at present Turner-Boston wharf. No arrangements have yet been made, but it is probable firm may use it.

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OIL STOCK AND LAWYER'S FEES

KNOTTY PROBLEM IS BEING UNRAVELLED

Hearing in County Court of Action by Anderson Against S. Perry Mills, K. C.

Before Judge Lampman and a jury in the County Court to-day the case of Anthony Anderson vs. S. Perry Mills, K.C., an action for the recovery of the value of certain shares in the stock of the Canadian Northwest Oil Company, in which there have been several preliminary hearings, is being heard.

The amount involved is \$454.80, which Anderson alleges is balance due on account of certain shares of stock in the Canadian Northwest Oil Company which passed from him to the defendant Mills.

Mr. Mills acted as legal counsel for Anderson some months ago in the case of Black vs. Anderson in the County Court. Later upon the presentation of Mills' account for his services Anderson claimed the sum of \$454.80 as the difference between the value of the shares sold and Mr. Mills' costs. The latter in his defence denies the indebtedness and asserts that the shares in question were a gift from the defendant given voluntarily and deliberately and without undue influence.

The morning session was occupied by E. W. R. Moore in addressing the jury. When the case was called Mr. Bodwell asked leave to amend the defence, which was granted. His client would be prepared to deliver certain disputed shares into court.

Mr. Moore took the jury over the whole ground from the moment that Anderson first made the acquaintance of the defendant on the steamer coming from Vancouver down to the moment of the opening of the case, this morning and then Mr. Moore placed plaintiff on the stand.

Mr. Anderson told of meeting defendant casually on the steamer and striking up an acquaintance with him. Mr. Moore: "What did you talk about in the steamer?"

Witness: "Oh, we discussed a little of everything. We got on to religion, I think." (Laughter.)

Continuing, witness said that shortly after he made the acquaintance of Mr. Mills a legal difficulty arose between certain Black and the Canadian Northwest Oil Company, of which he (witness) was manager and he thought it well to consult Mr. Mills.

The company was endeavoring to adjust the matter with Black by arbitration, and Mr. Mills advised witness to stop the proceedings. On this occasion he gave Mr. Mills \$25.

Mr. Anderson at this point produced a letter signed by witness to Mr. Mills instructing the latter to act as his solicitor in the case with Black.

Continuing, witness said that after his date Mr. Mills frequently interviewed him and pressed him for more money. He (witness) could not understand why there should be any more money paid, as he believed that as the arbitration proceedings were dropped that would be the end of the matter. But Mr. Mills said it was important to watch developments and finally to appease him he consented to hand over 500 shares of stock in the oil company. Witness said that Mr. Mills suggested that he give stock, pointing out that it would not cost the witness much. He had replied that it finally had yielded and gave him the 500 shares. The shares at this time were selling at 60 cents.

Shortly after this transaction Mr. Mills commenced coming to his office and requesting him to give him a letter relative to the stock. He believed he did tell him that it was contrary to law for a lawyer to accept payment for fees in that way, and that therefore there had better be an understanding about the shares. Finally witness had said if he would tell him what to write he would write it and he gave him a letter.

Mr. Bodwell produced the letter in question. It was to the effect that the writer (Anderson) gave to Mr. Mills five hundred shares in the stock of the Canadian Northwest Oil Company; that he predicted they would be selling for five dollars per share within six months and that "he hoped that they would be pleased with his present."

Mr. Anderson was still on the stand when the court rose for lunch. The case is being continued this afternoon.

REV. J. FOTHERINGHAM DIED ON TUESDAY

Well Known Presbyterian Clergyman Passed Away at Advanced Age

At his residence, 1225 Sunnyside Avenue, Victoria West, the death took place on Tuesday of the Rev. John Fotheringham in the 78th year of his age. Mr. Fotheringham, with his daughter removed to Victoria from Genial, Sask., where he was one of the first settlers.

Mr. Fotheringham was one of the early Presbyterian ministers in Ontario where he rendered excellent services for a number of years, and after his removal to the northwest his services in organization of churches and in helping the new settlements with gospel ordinances were of great value.

Chief Justice Hunter has granted a decree nisi in the divorce application of Roskamp vs. Roskamp. There was an appearance on behalf of respondent of respondent, Messrs. Wootton & Coward acted for the petitioner.

POULTRY MEN WANT LARGER CIVIC GRANT

Members of Association Had No Connection With the Cock Fighting

At the regular monthly meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association held last evening it was decided to have a paper prepared on the topic "Poultry Raising in British Columbia," to be read before the meeting on the B. C. Stock Breeders to be held to-morrow afternoon at the women's building. The association thought that this was an opportunity which ought not to be missed, and appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Nachtrieb, Reid, Garfield and Ormond to draw up an article stating the conditions of poultry in British Columbia as they are at present and as they ought to be.

A matter which was much discussed was that of the recent cock fight held in the vicinity of Victoria. It was announced that many of the birds in the fight were brought from the Mainland, and while on the wharf created a suspicion. When asked where these were going who were in charge of the birds stated that they were to be on exhibition at the poultry show. By this method the birds entered the city. The association therefore wants to strongly contradict that any of the birds were on exhibition in the late show or that the members had anything to do with the fight itself.

The grant of \$50 given them by the City Council in aid of defraying the expenses of the recent show was thought to be too small. It was pointed out that the small city of Nanaimo receives \$100 for their show. The members took exception to the reasons advanced by aldermen for not increasing the amount of the fund. The aldermen want to be on charitable list. They claim that they are an industrial organization and are promoting one of the coming industries of this province and should therefore be aided in a charitable list, and, as there was many other societies and orders on the same, if one was raised it would necessitate the raising of all. The association does not want to be on charitable list. They claim that they are an industrial organization and are promoting one of the coming industries of this province and should therefore be aided in a charitable list, and, as there was many other societies and orders on the same, if one was raised it would necessitate the raising of all.

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JURY'S FINDING IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFF

Conclusion Yesterday of the County Court Action, Anderson vs. Mills

(From Thursday's Daily.) The case of Anderson vs. Mills was concluded before Judge Lampman and a jury in the County Court yesterday, the action resulting favorable to the claim of plaintiff, though the court reserves decision on a minor point.

On the jury retiring to consider the evidence they were asked to give answers to the following questions: Question 1—Was the transfer of shares a gift from plaintiff to the defendant? Question 2—What did Anderson consider the 500 shares of stock worth? Question 3—What were they worth? Question 4—Decide what would be fair charges in respect of three items in defendant's bill of costs.

Question 4—What amount, if any, is defendant entitled to in respect of the three trips he made to Vancouver? Question 5—Did Mills sell on Anderson's account 1,000 shares or 500 shares? Question 6—Did Anderson accept the account stated by Mills after the transaction?

The jury answered as follows: To question 1, no; 2, 40 cents each; 3a, the certificate for 500 shares was worth \$225; 3, \$10; 4, none, as defendant was not acting in the capacity of broker; 5, Mills sold 500 shares; 6, he did not.

H. W. R. Moore, counsel for plaintiff, said he would allow defendant the sum of seventy-five cents claimed as interest due on the note.

Judge Lampman, in view of the jury's findings, estimated that the stock Anderson gave Mills was worth \$225, and that Mills got \$105 from other stock which he sold. Against this there was the sum of \$245 allowed on the defendant's bill of costs, to which was added the \$10 allowed by the jury for the advice re allowed action. The difference between the two sums was \$155, without the \$25 primary payment claimed by both sides. His honor reserved decision in respect to the disposition of this sum.

Mr. Moore put in a claim for a consideration in view of the depreciation in the value of the shares by Mr. Mills as security under lien of costs. Mr. Bodwell, for defendant, lodged objection against this claim.

As a result of the objection Mills will have to pay Anderson the difference between \$420, the value of the shares added to the cash defendant received from plaintiff from time to time, and \$245, which the jury allowed Mills on his bill of costs. Should the court hold that the \$25 on which it has reserved decision belongs to Anderson, Mills will have to pay Anderson in all \$190.85.

The late Mr. J. H. Fraser, who was the secretary in many of his reports for the claim which was produced during the proceedings was as follows: Victoria, B. C., July 15, 1908. Mr. S. Perry Mills, K. C.

Dear Sir: Please find enclosed five hundred shares of Canadian North West Oil Company. I have been telling you these shares will become worth five dollars per share by end of year. I don't like to put up too much in this instance but will repeat that they will become worth \$5 per share within five months from date. Trusting you may find it a good present, I am yours faithfully, ANTHONY ANDERSON.

PROPOSE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY SCHEME Meeting at City Hall Last Evening in Connection with Project

"That a committee, not exceeding ten members, be appointed by the chairman to wait upon and act in concert with His Worship the Mayor and Council, the object of securing options upon one or more sites (of about 250 acres in extent) in the neighborhood of Victoria to offer to the commission which is to be appointed to select a site for the provincial university, and to take, in concert with those interested in this important matter, all such other steps as may be necessary to effect the said objects."

The above resolution was carried unanimously at a public meeting held in the city hall on Tuesday, at which John Jardine, M.P.P., the convenor, presided.

In his opening remarks the chairman said he thought that the committee who had been working to secure a university for Victoria should take the public into their confidence. At points on the Mainland the people were not keeping their light under a bushel.

A. B. McNeill suggested that options of available sites be secured on different localities in Victoria, and told of previous efforts to get some definite action taken.

Mr. Justice Martin then addressed the meeting on the advantages which Victoria had to offer and afterwards moved the resolution above. The selection of a committee was left in the hands of Mr. Jardine.

WILL SIT THREE DAYS NEXT YEAR

INSTITUTE DECIDES FOR A CROW BONUS

Close Season on Game Birds—Advisory Road Boards Wanted

(From Thursday's Daily.) The Central Farmers' Institute when it meets for the annual 1911 session will sit for three days instead of two, if the wishes of the delegates, as expressed yesterday afternoon, are carried out by the department, but it will be certain, whichever time the department decides on the delegates will be told to push the matter in respect of the road boards by having all resolutions from the various institutes sent to Victoria four days prior to the opening of the session. This plan was supported by E. G. Speer and the deputy minister also, the former explaining that the resolutions sent in two weeks ago had not been read. E. J. Thompson thought the delays were caused by the carelessness of institute secretaries who should send in resolutions so that when more than one dealt with the same subject the department could refer to cover the resolutions ahead of time.

Donald Matheson, R. Hamilton, T. G. Speer, Geo. Heatherbell and John Redman advocated a 3-cent tax being levied for gophers. Other speakers urged that farmers could deal with poison with the nuisance, and C. J. Thompson said that in Manitoba the introduction of a bonus had led to the private breeding of the pest for gopher control.

The delegates against the bonus were larger in force than those in favor of it, and the gopher consequently triumphed.

The delegates, however, thought a \$5 bounty on coyotes was necessary to ask the government for it.

J. S. Shopland, from Comox, advocated a \$25 bonus on panthers, being a \$10 increase on the present rate. He thought \$20 would be necessary, but did not make an amendment.

Mr. Harris and John Best, of Alberni, both thought the government had given sufficient in \$15, and they expressed the opinion of the majority so the motion was lost.

Mr. Heatherbell, the enemy of the crow, came forward again this year with a request for a 5-cent bounty on the crow. Other speakers urged that farmers could deal with the pest with poison, and C. J. Thompson said that in Manitoba the introduction of a bonus had led to the private breeding of the pest for gopher control.

The deputy minister said the matter had been taken up, and the province had been equally divided, and so he had taken it to the cabinet. The cabinet had been equally divided, and so he had taken it to the cabinet.

Mr. Cleary said the crow was an unmitigated nuisance around Nicola. Mr. Matheson also lined up against the crow, and Mr. Best spoke in support of the motion.

Alex. Davis voiced the Delta sentiment against the crow, and as the general opinion was in line Mr. Heatherbell moved that the motion be carried.

Mr. Heatherbell asked for a close season on every year on pheasants, wild grouse and quail. Tin-horn sports, he said, go about in an auto, take off the number, and shoot all they want. Mr. Shopland said men believed they could shoot on anyone's land. Other speakers endorsed the motion, but Mr. Thompson said there had been a close season two years in the Okanagan already.

Mr. Davis said he had been in attendance of the Delta Institute to support any resolution on this matter.

The resolution was amended to ask the Game Protective Association to approach the government on the matter, but Mr. Heatherbell wanted the matter taken up by the Farmers' Institute at once, and on a vote being taken his request carried, and the resolution will go direct to the government.

The necessity for advisory road boards in every district, with the road superintendent acting in an advisory capacity, was brought forward by A. Hammer, of Bella Coola. He proposed that every locality have three of its residents on the board, who advise the government on road matters. He quoted an instance of a report on a road in Bella Coola district, the report for which cost \$1,200, which could have been done for \$300. T. Abbott, of Mission; J. A. French, Sooke; H. R. Phillips, Matsqui, all advocated the advisory board, the latter saying the road work had cost three times too much in the Okanagan. He spoke of a general waste of road appropriations, and John Best, from Alberni, said his district suffered from the present system, many employed who did not know their business. From personal knowledge he had seen \$5 wasted in every \$6.

Mr. Heatherbell said it was a sore question far and wide, and Mr. Nightingale, the train dispatcher and other speakers followed with complaints against the government. The motion carried unanimously, and the government will be asked to appoint advisory road boards composed of three men in each district with the superintendent as an adviser.

VICTORIA WILL HOLD A FAIR

IN WHICH MESSRS. QUICK, LEWIS, HALL, MARCHANT, PRICE, MANTON AND McNEIL TOOK PART IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE MEETING BE HELD AT THE MOUNTAIN HOTEL

The Institute brought the convention to a close last night by the passage of a resolution authorizing the chairman of the meeting, being either the deputy minister or the live stock commissioner, to frame for next year's convention a resolution committee and call the members thereof one day in advance of the convention.

During the present convention there have been several motions dealing with the same subject, and the resolutions committee for want of time was unable to present a resolution on the subject. It is held that with the resolution committee in town the day before the convention meets and all resolutions in hand two weeks prior to that time, the committee will be able to draft the resolutions into workable shape and save considerable time.

Shortly before the adjournment Mr. Heatherbell arose and said: "I move this convention passes a vote of thanks to Capt. Tatlow for the splendid work he has done in the department of agriculture. Capt. Tatlow worked hard and well, and may his shadow never grow less. Let us sing." The convention rose and sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

The deputy minister was nominated to deliver the vote of thanks to Capt. Tatlow. Votes of thanks were also passed to Mr. Scott and the officials of his department when the convention disbanded.

SURPLUS OF OVER HALF MILLION

STATEMENT REGARDING THE INTERCOLONIAL

Work on the Railway to Hudson's Bay to Commence This Year

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—A net surplus of \$662,288 for the first nine months of the present fiscal year in the operation of the Intercolonial railway under the new board of management was the gratifying announcement which Hon. George F. Graham was able to make at the Commons this afternoon in his annual departmental budget statement.

The vast improvements effected by the board of management is evidenced in the following figures: Gross receipts from April 1st to December 31st, 1909, \$7,073,300; increase, \$42,154; working expenses for nine months, \$4,419,123; decrease, \$37,087; net betterment, \$1,199,241. The expenditures on capital account for the year will be approximately \$1,280,000. Last year it was \$2,987,232. During the year 51 1/2 miles of track were ballasted. The average number of employees per month during the nine months has been 8,832, and the average payment in wages \$427,470.

Hon. Mr. Graham announced that items would be included in the supplementary estimates for beginning the work of construction of the Hudson's Bay railway this year.

VICTORIA AMENDMENTS WERE APPROVED

Executive of Union of Municipalities in Session All Morning

All morning the executive of the Union of Municipalities have been in session in the city hall, examining the amendments which were asked by the city of Victoria, and approving most of them. The amendments asked by the other municipalities throughout the province will be passed upon and then the executive council will meet the Attorney-General to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The executive consists of Mayor Bell, of Esquimalt (vice-president); Mayor Planta, of Nanaimo (president); ex-Reeve Ross, of Surrey (secretary); ex-Reeve Quick, of Saanich; Reeve Byrne, of Burnaby; and ex-Mayor Hall, of Victoria.

AUSTRALIAN IRRIGATED LAND FOR FARMERS

Government of Victoria Will Arrange for Special Steamship Service

Melbourne, Feb. 2.—The Victorian cabinet has adopted a scheme for setting 4,000 British and American agriculturalists to irrigated blocks, within five years. It has arranged for special steamers which will transport the farmers and their families at low rates.

C. P. R. WRECK. Coroner's Jury Resumes Inquiry Into Cause of Disaster.

Sudbury, Ont., Feb. 1.—The coroner's jury, which resumed its inquiry into the cause of the Webwood disaster here yesterday, made little headway. H. L. Dyer, K. C., of Toronto, will diagnose the expert testimony. Practically every trainman who was on the ill-fated train the day of the wreck, the car inspectors at North Bay and Sudbury, the train dispatcher and Superintendent Spencer were called but not one could shed a ray of light that would lead to a finding of what was the actual cause.

REFORM VICTORY IN MONTREAL

CITIZENS' CANDIDATES SWEEP THE FIELD

Dr. Guerin is Elected Mayor—Members of Last Council All Defeated

Montreal, Feb. 2.—The first municipal election under the new system which provides for four controllers and a council of twenty-three instead of forty-six members, each ward of the city having only one representative instead of two as formerly, was held yesterday, and resulted in a sweeping victory for the candidates of the Citizens' committee and the overwhelming defeat of the graft element which had brought the city into disrepute.

Dr. Guerin, the nominee of the Citizens' Association, was elected mayor by a big majority over Senator Casgrain, who ran as an independent candidate, and the candidates of the Citizens' Association for controllers, Dr. Lachapelle, F. L. Wanklyn, Joseph Amey and L. N. Dupuis were also elected, while nearly all the aldermanic candidates supported by the association were returned.

All the members of the council who were connected with the old regime were defeated and the election is a signal triumph for good civic government.

The new council is elected for two years, while the controllers, who will receive a salary of \$5,000 each, will hold office for four years.

Dr. Guerin, the new mayor, is a leading physician.

AWA MARU REACHED PORT ON WEDNESDAY

New Steamer on Route Proves Itself a Very Steady One

On Wednesday the Awa Maru, of the N. Y. K. line, arrived at the outer wharf. The Awa is new to this route, having been engaged on the European run previously. She was built in 1899 and is a remarkably steady vessel, a fact testified to by travellers on her Wednesday.

The Awa brought a very valuable cargo of silk, valued at over a million dollars.

Among her 87 passengers there were few Europeans. Mr. Brenner, manager of the B. C. Manufacturing Company of New Westminster, has been in the Orient on business. Mr. Brenner's company manufactures boxes and veneers. He is a frequent traveller between British Columbia and Yokohama, where a machine shop is kept. Speaking of the trip Mr. Brenner said that in spite of the fact that the weather was not the best the Awa was unusually steady.

A missionary, Mr. Tornvall, and his family were on their way to Seattle. Two sisters, Misses Olsen, were also going to Seattle, and there were also a number of Russians bound for that port.

Passengers by the steamer report trade still dull in the Orient.

LUMBERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

British Columbians Are Elected on the Directorate

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—The Canadian Lumbermen's Association, at its annual meeting yesterday heard trade reports from the country, but did not discuss the rates for the coming season. The pending case for the railway commission of freight rates for lumber will be the subject of a further conference with the traffic officers of the board. The question of payment for stakes and timber on the part of fair cars, will also be taken to the board.

The following were elected directors: G. C. Edwards, W. H. Rowley, Ottawa; E. Miller, Toronto; J. C. Brown, H. K. Kane, Ottawa; J. S. Gilchrist, J. J. McFadden, Renfrew; J. D. Turner, W. A. Laidlaw, W. A. Firstbrook, Toronto; Geo. Gordon, M. F. Cache Bay; D. H. McManis, Alex. McLaurin, Montreal; W. Yower, Quebec; John Hendry, Vancouver; O. Lachmond, Arrowhead, B. C.; A. D. Macrae, Fraser Mills, B. C.; William McNeill, Vancouver; D. C. Cameron, Winnipeg; W. C. Cown, Prince Albert. The directors elected officers as follows: J. B. Miller, Toronto, president; J. Hendry, Vancouver; D. C. Cameron, Winnipeg; Alex. McLaurin, Montreal, and J. C. Brown, Ottawa, vice-presidents. Frank Hawkins, of Ottawa, is permanent secretary.

Q. O. R. BI-CENTENARY. Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry M. Pellatt and the officers and men of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada intend celebrating the 50th anniversary of the regiment by a grand celebration and a reunion of the ex-members at Toronto, beginning June 18th next and lasting one week, at which it is expected that thousands of ex-members will be present. Arrangements are being made for an elaborate programme of events, historical pageants, etc., also for transportation and quartering of all ex-members who attend.

WOMEN ARE CONVENTION

MORLEY URGES CO-OPERATIVE ACTION

of Welcome Given Morning—Other Business Transacted

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The Dairymen's Association meeting in the Women's building...

Mr. Morley, Captain Tatlow and the speakers...

Mr. Morley said he did not pretend to be an agriculturist...

Mr. Morley said he had not intended to come to the convention...

Mr. Morley welcomed the delegates and congratulated them...

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MAKES FACTORY ACT NULLITY

BOWSER'S AMENDMENT DESTROYS PROTECTION

Inspectors to Be Debarred From Giving Evidence in Damage Suits

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The members of the opposition put a busy day to-day in watching public interests in regard to several important matters...

A section which would add to the act is one declaring a factory inspector not competent to give testimony in any case...

It is the intention of the combined opposition to fight this bill, which they believe to be a most iniquitous one...

Mr. Morley explained that the bill was introduced because of the waste of time of the inspector in attending court proceedings...

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A Million for a New Stomach

It is said that Mr. Rockefeller, one of the world's richest men, offered one million dollars to any physician who would make his stomach strong enough to digest an ordinary meal.

What a warning this is to men and women who are indulging in such a diet that "they have a stomach!" Slight attacks of indigestion soon develop into acute attacks.

Yet how unnecessary all this suffering is! "Fruit-a-lives," that spleen-digesting tonic—will give you that millionaires cannot buy, a clean, sweet, healthy stomach which will be capable of digesting any reasonable meal.

"Fruit-a-lives" is sold by all druggists and dealers at 50c. a box of \$2.50, or trial box, 25c.—or may be obtained from Fruit-a-lives, Limited, Ottawa.

ment might rest assured that he would see the bill in its final form...

CRESTON FRUIT GROWERS. Creston, Feb. 1.—The annual meeting of the Creston Fruit Growers' Association was held in the Creston auditorium.

ONLY ONE CURE FOR A BAD STOMACH. Indigestion and Similar Troubles Must Be Treated Through the Blood.

Indigestion can be treated in many ways, but it can be cured in only one way—through the blood.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. So the reason for their success is plain. The health of the stomach depends upon the blood in its delicate veins.

—Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Tiedeman, wife of Tudor J. A. Tiedeman, in San Francisco Monday.

CONTRAST IN LAND POLICIES

PROVINCE DOES NOTHING, YET CONDEMNNS OTTAWA

Legislature Passes Resolution—Discussion on School Matters

(From Thursday's Daily.)

While lands for settlement is not easy to find by a would-be proprietor among those belonging to the province, despite the vast area of agricultural land which British Columbia boasts of, the McBride government has no objection to get after the Federal government for any dilatoriness...

In debate on the School Act amendments further reference was made to the necessity of a normal school being established on this island, and the member for Cowichan made some suggestions for amendments which are considered necessary by rural school boards on Vancouver Island, especially in the E. & N. land grant.

Two small government measures were read a third time and passed, these being acts amending the Public Inquiries Act and the Coroners' Act. The bill amending the Notaries' Appointment Act stands for third reading at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. C. A. Cavley (Chilliwack), in resuming the debate on Mr. Tisdall's motion, enlarged on the amount of money which went out of the province in payment for agricultural products.

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WRITE TO THIS WOMAN

If You Want to Stop a Man From Drinking.



MRS. MARGARET ANDERSON, 201 Home Avenue, Hillburn, N. Y. Please tell me about the remedy you used to cure your husband, as I am personally interested in cases like mine.

of a pamphlet on this province by the Federal authorities. Mr. McBride declared the resolution to be one not in criticism of the Ottawa government, but intended to arouse interest there in these lands.

Mr. John Jardine termed the Premier's way of handling the matter amusing to those who had been in the House for some years.

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The Division. A division was demanded by the opposition, and the resolution was carried on the following vote, this being the first division in the new House:

Health in Schools. Hon. Dr. Young, in moving the second reading of his bill respecting medical inspection of schools for a second time, the bill having had to be re-introduced owing to a technical irregularity, replied to Mr. Hawthornthwaite's remarks and assured him that there was no fear of a medical combination.

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Victims of Wreck at Kerby Creek Soon to Leave for Japan. New Westminster, Feb. 1.—Four of the victims of the Great Northern wreck at Kerby creek on November 28th, will leave shortly for their homes in Japan to complete their convalescence. Yoshinaga, who had his back broken, may never recover, but the others are expected to come around all right, although T. Hornigoshi may lose the sight of his left eye.

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J. B. A. A. CLUB'S NEW OFFICERS

ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY

Outlook Excellent for the Year —Planning for a New Building

The J. B. A. A. club, an athletic organization of which Victoria is justly proud, held its annual meeting Tuesday night. The gathering marked the beginning of the twentieth year of the club's existence.

At last night's meeting the following trustees were elected: J. J. Shallock, W. A. Lawson, J. C. Bridgeman, J. A. McTavish and D. O'Sullivan.

The following officers were elected: President, H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C.; vice-president, J. J. Shallock; secretary, Vincent K. Gray; committee of management, D. O'Sullivan, W. N. Kennedy, Leo Sweeney, J. Y. McCarter, E. H. Hicocks, E. J. Sears, S. J. Shanks, S. J. Winsky, K. T. Hughes, J. P. Sweeney; club captain, D. O'Sullivan; auditor, Phil Austin.

In the annual report presented last night the following reference was made to new club premises:

"Our committee have been in correspondence with the owners of the property relating to obtaining new premises for the club. Your committee have much pleasure in stating that by the most recent correspondence the prospects of having an early meeting with the owners of the property relative to this point are excellent, and it is to be hoped that during the present year proceedings will be so arranged as to make the new club premises an assured fact."

"Your executive have lent their assistance in the strong endeavor made to purge the amateur ranks of any taint of professionalism, and will continue their efforts in that direction," says the report.

The committee of management in the course of the record of the year by members of the club makes the following recommendation:

"Your committee is strongly of the opinion that if the interest in this branch of sport is to be fostered and maintained, it is absolutely necessary that a strong effort be made during the coming season to secure at least two double scull lap-stroke boats, as we realize that this is the only position which will be necessary for the facilities for practice, especially in the sculling events, so as to be in a position to compete with any hope of success at the outside regarding the obtaining of these boats would also be of great value to our association, as we would be enabled to have a more varied programme at our own regatta."

The various successes in the different lines of sport reported on at last night's meeting made a very proud record.

The meeting was enthusiastic, and the outlook for the J. B. A. A. for 1910 is as bright as ever it was.

BODIES OF WRECK VICTIMS WASHED ASHORE

Remains of Nine of Men Who Lost Lives at Coos Bay Have Been Found

Marshfield, Ore., Feb. 2.—The bodies of nine victims of the *Casaria* wreck, which resulted in the loss of twenty-four lives, have been recovered up to date.

Yesterday three bodies were washed ashore. The first was found near the mouth of the Umpqua river, another at Ten-Mile creek and the third opposite the wreck. The bodies have not been identified.

One of the recent bodies found is believed to be that of Capt. Duggan, and another is thought to be Mate McNicholas.

J. A. H. Morrow, of Kent Institute, said the only way out of the difficulties was to get the convention to take action. Forty cattle had been killed in his district and no recompense obtained.

Mr. Hamilton said the matter was before the railway commission. When his institute had tried to get the old pit system restored they had been unsuccessful.

A rider was added that copies be sent to the Dominion government, the railway commission and to all railway companies operating in British Columbia. The resolution carried.

By ten votes to eight a motion asking for the alterations in the laws in regard to impounded cattle was lost, and the noon adjournment was taken.

GIRLS' SCHOOL

The old university school building on Oak Bay avenue has been taken over by Mrs. S. Stedham, who opens there on Monday a day and boarding school for girls. Mrs. Stedham has had wide experience in this class of work both in England and New Zealand, and hence is well qualified to handle it efficiently.

CANNOT ACCEDE TO REQUEST OF COMPANY

Application of Dominion Trust Company of Vancouver is Refused

Outlook Excellent for the Year —Planning for a New Building

At Monday's meeting of the city council Mayor Morley and Ald. Bannerman made a verbal report as to the negotiations with the agents of the Dominion Trust Company of Vancouver relative to the construction of a big block on the corner of Humboldt and Government streets, opposite the post office. The company has asked the city council to give a guarantee that the plot of ground owned by the city and lying at the north end of the causeway, adjacent to the site of the proposed building, would be built upon.

If such guarantee were given the company would make the face of their building fronting on Government street of an ornamental character.

The mayor said last night that he and Ald. Bannerman had looked into the question very carefully, and had come to the conclusion that it would be most unwise for the city to give any such guarantee as was asked. The city's property was worth at the smallest calculation \$40,000.

Ald. Bannerman concurred in what his worthy mayor said. Although it might not ever be utilized as a site for a building by the city, the property was very valuable, and it would in his opinion be very foolish to enter into any such contract as was asked.

The Dominion Trust Company had purchased an inside lot, and if the city did as requested they would in effect be selling about \$40,000 to the value of the company's holdings.

Ald. Humber thought it was childish to place any obstacle in the way of the erection of such a fine building.

Ald. Langley thought his worthy and Ald. Bannerman had acted quite properly in refusing to enter into the agreement proposed. Such an agreement would be in the nature of a bonus to the company, and he knew no reason why the company should be bonused. People were not offering any bonus to Pemberton, who were putting up a very fine building.

Mayor Morley said, in closing the reference to the matter, that the action of the company did not in the slightest degree prevent the company opening further negotiations with the city.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

REPUBLICAN "INSURGENTS."

Inform President Taft That They Will Support Greater Part of His Programme

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Congressmen Hayes and Gardner, leader of the insurgents in the House, told President Taft yesterday that he could depend upon the insurgent vote for practically all his legislative programme. This action was decided upon at a secret meeting of the insurgents. It is understood that it was agreed to support the proposals of the president regarding conservation, railroad legislation, postal savings banks and anti-injunction.

It is understood that the subject of the proposed federal incorporation law and the ship subsidy proposition were not included because of a division of opinion on the part of those who attended the meeting.

The announcement that the insurgents will support a greater part of the Taft programme is in line with what has been expected since Taft made it known that he considered the insurgents to be Republicans regarding most of their differences with the organization of the House which resulted in an agreement on the election of the Ballinger investigation committee.

APACHES LYNCHED FOR LOOTING HOUSES

Residents of Paris Suburbs Organize for Warfare With Thieves

Paris, Feb. 2.—Four Apaches were lynched yesterday at Issy, when they were caught looting an abandoned residence.

Two robbers at Boulogne Sur Seine were shot fatally in a running fight with villagers, who surprised them at their work.

The citizens of the suburbs are organizing for warfare with the thieves and Apaches, who continue their looting and depredations in spite of the summary treatment which has been accorded to all those captured.

MRS. HOOPER'S DEATH.

Well Known Pioneer of West Passed Away Recently at Emerson, Man.

Mrs. John Hooper, one of the pioneers of Emerson, passed away early on Saturday morning, as briefly stated in the Times, and the remains were interred in the cemetery there last Wednesday, beside those of her late husband. The deceased came to Emerson from London, Ont., in 1873, and had lived in that vicinity continuously. The late Mrs. Hooper was a member of an old North Devon family, the descendants of which were among the early settlers in the western peninsula of Ontario, and where the names of Weekes, Storey, Goulden and Hilditch, in the townships around London, S. Thomas and Woodstock. All the living members of the family are resident in the west, and nearly all were present at the funeral, the pallbearers being sons and grandsons of the deceased. The husband of the deceased died about eleven years ago. Mrs. Hooper leaves to mourn her demise four sons and four daughters; Samuel Hooper, provincial architect of Vancouver; James Hooper, deputy provincial secretary and King's printer, and Martin L. Hooper, of the C. P. R. passenger service, residing in Winnipeg; Thomas Hooper, architect of Victoria; B. C. Mrs. T. C. Tennant, formerly of Emerson and Winnipeg, now residing in Vancouver; B. C.; Mrs. M. Laurie, of Morris; Mrs. T. S. Bell, of Emerson, and Mrs. J. McCaul, of Vancouver.

FARMERS HEAR HON. W. J. BOWSER

THEY MUST WAIT FOR AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Tuberculosis in Cattle and Ruminants by Government Discussed

Hon. W. J. Bowser, minister of agriculture, told the Central Farmers' Institute on Wednesday that the farmers could not hope for the establishment of an agricultural college until after the proposed provincial university had been completed.

Mr. Bowser was asked by Mr. Bailey, of Chilliwack, why nothing had been done in regard to the resolution passed a year ago by the Farmers' Institute, bringing to the notice of the government the necessity in the province for an agricultural college. Mr. Bowser's reply was that there had been many mistakes made in other provinces in Canada regarding agricultural colleges and the province wished to avoid these.

He said if the demand was granted there would be claims put in for mining and other colleges. He thought when the university site was settled and the university constructed the department would probably take some action to affiliate an agricultural branch with it, but until that time nothing would be done.

The minister was asked what had happened to the 1909 convention's request for an inquiry into the working of the Central Exchange. The deputy minister replied that a report is in the office, but not printed.

The minister informed delegates in reply to a question that the head game warden was instructed to issue special permits for the killing of beaver which would be issued during the season regulations. The department had found that in some places the beaver had increased, and in certain instances Mr. Bryan Williams has received instructions to issue permits to farmers whose land has been deprived of water or flooded by the interference of the beaver. The minister was thanked for attending and withdrew.

Speaking on a resolution in regard to the eradication of tuberculosis and the necessity for a government recompense for animals killed, Mr. W. Hodson, live stock commissioner, said that British Columbia was free from the disease than any province in Canada, or any state in America. The department had been active in the inspection of the cattle of the province, and some thousands had been vaccinated. Dr. Tolmie said all animals coming into the province were tested. The department has introduced a grade system, and all dairies were now graded in A, B and C classes. As yet, however, he was not prepared to make a statement.

Mr. Buckingham said a statement had been printed in the Vancouver papers, which originated from his own health officer, that two-thirds of the cows supplying Vancouver with milk were suffering from tuberculosis. He was glad to see this statement corrected by the committee. The premier in his pre-election campaign had said that the government would set aside funds to recompense farmers for animals killed, and asked why should not the government be held up to its pre-election promises?

There had been cases where cattle had been killed for tuberculosis that were not diseased. There should be compensation provided by the government. He knew of instances where farmers had sustained considerable loss. The resolution that the government be asked to which after death were found not to be affected was carried by a majority vote.

The convention unanimously agreed on the necessity for experimental farms in British Columbia, and Mr. Nightingale added a rider to the resolution that subject that the government should take steps to form an estimate of the probable cost.

H. S. Cleasby moved that the government be asked to repeal the charges of \$100 per acre charged for pre-emption and the resolution was carried without discussion.

The division of the province into farmers' institute districts, whereby the same time might be saved the department, was put by Mr. Hardy and seconded by G. P. Brown.

Mr. Hardy said the plan was to divide the province into four institutes, which would take up local matters at the government for them. The cost would be lessened, he thought, and Mr. Brown supported the resolution. The superintendent said nothing would be gained by a division of districts for the local institutes would not carry the weight with the government of the full body.

Mr. Hook said he had come to the conclusion that the Farmers' Institute was a useless body. He thought the business of the institute could be facilitated by new rules. He advocated two months' notice from the department in the case of resolutions sent two weeks in advance to institutes.

James Cook, William Barclay and Henry Harris spoke against the motion, which on the vote was lost.

Mr. Abbott stated that profile plans were useless and that no compensation could be recovered. It was a matter for the government to take up. The farmer could not fight the C. P. R., which would take him to court after court till he was broken and it looks as if the C. P. R. can do what it likes with the provincial government.

MAIL TRAIN WRECKED.

Toledo, Ohio, Feb. 1.—One man was killed and three were injured when the fast mail on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern collided with the rear end of a freight train four miles west of Holland last evening. The train was running on a straight track. Officials state that the engineer was advancing an injector and did not see the freight.

CYCLISTS FINED IN POLICE COURT

FIFTEEN OFFENDERS PAID THREE DOLLARS TO-DAY

Police Determined to Put Stop to Riding on the Sidewalks

As the clock struck 10 Wednesday fifteen citizens of Victoria found themselves within the grasp of the police court confronting Magistrate Jay and the retinue of officers sworn to maintain the peace and protect the interest of the city. And as these citizens stood there they fumbled with something in their pockets—they apparently had something on their minds and they were anxious to get the ordeal over.

They had not long to wait. One by one their names were called and they marched to the clerk's desk and plunked down the sum of three dollars—the amount charged by the city for being caught in the act of riding bicycles along the sidewalks. They all pleaded guilty. There was nothing else for it and they departed, sadder but wiser men and boys, for a proportion of the culprits were juveniles.

The civic authorities are determined to put a stop to the practice of riding bicycles on the sidewalks and for some days past the services of a couple of plain-clothes men have been employed and with results very satisfactory to the civic exchequer. The fact that the roads are bad, rendering it almost impossible to ride a wheel on them, is no excuse. The police are determined that the provisions of the by-law are to be enforced strictly.

A couple of men charged with drunkenness were placed under arrest instead of a fixed sum and the employment of the best available men. The department last year sent out 30,000 bulletins and reports and the practical demonstrations had increased. He asked for the support of all institutes and members thereof.

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RAILWAY BILLS ARE CLOSELY WATCHED

Legislative Committee Contains Several Wide-Awake Critics

(From Wednesday's Daily.) No time will be lost by the railway committee of the legislature this year if its guiding spirits—A. H. B. Macdonald, the chairman, and C. E. Tisdale, the secretary—can prevent it. Daily meetings of the committee, while there is business to come before it, are to be the rule, but it is likely that another committee has an important job to do. The railway committee will forego a sitting in order to enable members who are on both to attend. Railway legislation will, at the same time, be carefully watched, there being several members who are close critics in the public interest.

The only bill taken up to-day was that to incorporate the Vancouver-Western Terminal Railway & Dock Company. Alvo von Alvensleben, John W. Allan, Alfred Prescott and others are the incorporators, and they will have the power to build a standard gauge line from False Creek to the western extremity of Point Grey, and from a point on that line or from False Creek to New Westminster, with branches exceeding ten miles in length. The capital stock is put at \$750,000. Power is also given to promote other companies, make traffic arrangements, own and operate steamboats, docks, warehouses and elevators, and do a general, telephone and express business. The capital stock is put at \$750,000 per mile are sought and a deposit is offered of \$500 as security that the road will be completed in not less than \$1,000 on the first section of the road, and of \$5,000 as security for the expenditure of not less than \$10,000 on the second section, both before December 31, 1911.

J. L. G. Abbott, Vancouver, appeared for the promoters and explained their wishes. John Jardine objected to any company coming before the committee without proper profile plans. Michael Manson (Comox) pointed out the danger of the foreshore being tied up by the construction of the line and any part of them along the waterfront.

Dr. McGuire (Vancouver) and Thos. Gifford (New Westminster) protested against giving any blanket powers in respect to branch lines. It would be possible for the company to run electric lines along every street in Point Grey when it is opened up. Dr. McGuire said Mr. Abbott stated that profile plans were in course of preparation, and that there would be no interference with the foreshore.

On motion of Ernest Miller (Grand Forks) the bill was allowed to stand over to February 10th for the production of the profiles.

ENA DISCHARGING.

Will Take Salt to Nanaimo to-Morrow, Leaving Early.

FARMERS OPEN YEAR'S SESSION

PREMIER ADDRESSES INSTITUTE DELEGATES

Many Resolutions Come Up—Address by the Superintendent

The B. C. Central Farmers' Institute convention opened this morning in the rooms of the agricultural department, W. E. Scott, deputy minister, presiding. There were forty delegates present.

The deputy minister, in opening the convention, said the department intended to continue the reorganization started by Capt. Thudlow. It is now classified into the different departments for stock, horticulture and poultry and that a B. C. Poultryman's Association will be organized. With all these associations worked through the department it was enabled to get a complete grasp on the agricultural work of the province. Development was needed. Last year the importations of sheep poultry horses and dairy produce into the province was \$10,000,000. All this should be raised in British Columbia. Mr. Scott then told of his trip to England with the successful British Columbia Fruit exhibit, and the king's praise given to it.

Superintendent Hodson read his report for 1909, there being six new institutes last year and a membership of 4,000 as against 3,200 in 1908. There are 25 women's institutes organized, of which the department will issue bulletins and send lectures twice a year and also provide a per capita grant. Mr. Hodson advocated the percentage basis as payment of secretaries instead of a fixed sum and the employment of the best available men. The department last year sent out 30,000 bulletins and reports and the practical demonstrations had increased. He asked for the support of all institutes and members thereof.

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RAILWAY COMMITTEE CONSIDERS TWO BILLS

Questions of Foreshore Rights and Forfeiture of Deposit Raised

Two Vancouver Railway Bills were taken up by the railway committee of the Legislature on Tuesday, but both stuck, one on a question of foreshore rights and the other on the point whether or not the deposit made as a guarantee of construction under a previous bill should be forfeited.

The Port Moody, Indian River & Northern Railway Company are seeking a charter for the construction of a line from Port Moody to the tip of the north arm of Burrard Inlet. In support of the bill James Macdonald, Vancouver, and A. D. Crease, Victoria, appeared.

The line is located close to the foreshore, and the question of its interference with the rights of foreshore owners was raised by Parker Williams (Newcastle), who also objected to giving powers to any railway to construct branches which would be as long as or longer than its main line.

Mr. Macdonald declared the scheme was a good, clean-cut one, which interfered with no one and developed a fine section of country. There was no interference with the foreshore, and property would be enhanced.

Dr. McGuire (Vancouver) wanted to know how property would be enhanced more than by the boat transportation the people now had.

Mr. Macdonald replied that the people wanted both rail and water transport.

Dr. McGuire backed up Mr. Williams as to branches. If these were to be as long as the main line authorized the committee should at least know in what direction it was intended to run them. It would be possible to get a charter for a main line one or five or ten miles long, and then have branches built twenty or forty miles long.

Mr. Dockerill, one of the foreshore owners, on behalf of himself and others, expressed their willingness and desire to see the company run their line through.

Mr. Gowinski, C.E., explained that the reason the line was located so close to the water was to have it on an elevation from which spur-lines could be run to industrial establishments which would go up on the foreshore.

J. H. Lawson, Jr., intimated that the Howe Sound Company would oppose this as some other measures.

The bill was laid over for further consideration on Wednesday.

The Vancouver & Nicola Valley Railway Company seek to have their charter for a line from Vancouver to Nicola revived.

Dr. McGuire drew attention to the fact that if the \$5,000 deposit made by the company under the former act was not to be forfeited, it would be a cause of non-compliance with the terms, there was no use in putting such forfeiture clauses in charters.

Stuart Livingston, Vancouver, said the charter was not a dog-in-the-manger one. The Nicola Valley Coal Company desired to build the road in order to protect themselves in the rates for the carriage of their coal, but any one could have the road, and they would build and guarantee them fair rates. The coal company had met with difficulties in its development and hence the delay in building the railway. Under the circumstances the price for the deposit should be forfeited, but should be taken as a guarantee under the present bill.

On motion of Ernest Miller (Grand Forks) the bill stands over until Monday.

PIONEER NAVIGATOR HAS PASSED AWAY

Capt. Hicks Died at an Early Hour on Wednesday

Capt. Robert Hicks, one of the pioneers of this province, passed away at an early hour Wednesday at the residence of his son-in-law, Percy W. Dickinson, 221 Menzies street. Deceased was born in Norfolk, Eng. He had reached his 81st birthday.

When 17 years of age he entered the British navy and for three years served on the coast of Africa, putting down slavery. In 1848 he came to America. He joined a whaler bound for the north-west coast of the province and did not return until 1853. The following year the captain started for the Pacific on the U. S. man-of-war Decatur. While at the Straits of Magellan the ship was detained for 84 days, but at last was towed through by the steamship Massachusetts.

The Decatur was stationed at Seattle for a while. Capt. Hicks then left the battleship and joined Capt. Denny's volunteers, who were at that time fighting the Indians. When the rebellions were over he purchased the schooner Rorer, and ran her until the Fraser river mining excitement, when he sold the boat and went to the mines. Returning he entered the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company, but never, however, could not stay away from the sea, and he bought the sloop Leonade, which he operated for many years, trading up the coast of this province and Alaska. In 1887 he sold the sloop and commenced running on various coasting steamers, and later became an Alaskan pilot, and had the distinction, while so engaged, of being on this coast the old Russian gumbot Polikofsky.

Among the old time vessels he ran on were the Little California, Gussie and the Albatross. Since 1880 he has been pilot of the British and American war vessels to and from Alaska. For some time he was master of the Fraser river lights, after leading a very active life the captain decided to retire, and for many years he has lived in this city. Three years ago Mrs. Hicks died. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. P. O. Dickinson, and two grand-daughters.

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW CLUB

VICTORIA WEST IS FULLY ORGANIZED

Determined Effort Being Made to Provide a New Headquarters

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- 1.—A. Monteth (chairman), G. A. A. R. Colby, R. Harrop, W. Simpson. The territory of this campaign will be portions of Victoria, beyond the city limits. 2.—J. W. Okell (chairman), R. A. Ross, A. Kirk, W. Duncan. A allotted portion is Victoria West, southward from Langford street to the city limits at Dominion road. 3.—Percy Wilson (chairman), F. S. Perkins, H. Bell, H. Brown, McKenna. The work of this committee will lie in the district northward from Langford street to the city limits. 4.—D. S. Tait, S. H. Okell, L. Tait, Mable, to be known as the "town committee," and it will be their duty after the prominent business men of the centre of the city. A central campaign committee composed of the chief officers of the club follows: President, D. S. Tait; secretary, S. H. Okell; treasurer, C. E. W. vice-presidents, Leonard Tait, Monteth, G. A. Okell and William Simpson, and they will be in the rooms, so that the different committees may report to him who they seen and with what success, until the president has been interviewed, it is conceded that when that is done the five thousand will practically be in the bank and possibly a little bit more.

HUNDREDS FOR SILENCE

Hitting Railway Treasurer Says He Had Mrs. Ford \$1000 a Month for Seven Years.

Final, Feb. 1.—Fifty-four thousand dollars was the price Charles L. Hume, the fault-finding local treasurer of the Four Corners railway, paid for the silence of Mrs. Ford, a woman whose name is short-circuited, he gave Mrs. Hume the \$1000 a month for seven years, the amount stopping only when the same came from other sources Nov. 2nd last.

WARRIOR AGAINST BANKING COMPANY

Man Alleged He is Unable to Secure Stock Given as Security.

Victoria City, Feb. 1.—Sensational developments in connection with the suspension of the United States Banking Company, which may include criminal proceedings, are looked for. The first legal action taken by any person since the bank closed its doors Wednesday morning was filed by Harwood H. Simpson, a miner who made a formal complaint to the procurator of justice, alabaster of confidence, Simpson, president, vice-president, directors and managers of the company. He alleges that some time ago he obtained \$10,000 from the bank, three notes for the amount were secured by the deposit of shares of mining stock valued at \$100,000.

Recently, he says, he went to the bank to pay the notes and receive his share, but the collateral was not forthcoming, and he was told to wait, when the shares would be sold to him. Simpson says he learned that his shares were no longer in the possession of the bank, and he is interested that they had been hypothecated by the bank to another institution. The fact that Joseph Inman, the manager of the company, offered to pay the money to the National Bank of Mexico to tide the United States Banking Company over its difficulties prior to its suspension does not remain.

NIGHT SCHOOLS PROVIDED FOR

ADDITIONAL CLAUSES FOR THE SCHOOL ACT Balances on School Loan By-Laws Will Remain With Board

Legislative Press Gallery, January 31. Educational matters occupied the attention of the House for some time to-day, the minister of education introducing an amendment to the School Act, and a second reading being given to the bill introduced a few days ago regarding the medical examination of schools. For both of these bills Mr. Young asked the earnest and careful attention of the House and invited criticism and suggestion. He explained the two bills briefly but cursorily. The bill amending the School Act brought down by message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and was advanced to second reading stage so as to facilitate introduction in view of the early introduction of the bill into the House.

Hon. Dr. Young, in moving the second reading of the act to amend the School Act, said its intent was not so much to amend the present act as to add to it the educational system of the province was becoming so large that the department believed the time had come to make advance along some modern lines. The number of schools, and modern pupils was increasing at a rate almost phenomenal. In South Vancouver, as he had been informed that afternoon, there was being made for the coming year provision for 1122 new places, and the advance elsewhere was pretty much in proportion. The estimates would make allowance for forty more teachers in Vancouver, and the demand for teachers elsewhere was being met by the demand for teachers. This year the government had decided to advance the salaries. True, the amount was not large, but it was the first time in the department to increase from year to year in the same proportion. Further than that, in the present bill he was trying to make the certificates of class the one with which the department had the most difficulty, would be valid for life, provided the Normal school training was taken. The first four months would be taken after leaving school and the certificates would then be good for three years. If after that the holder did not desire to try for a second or third certificate, they could set it aside, and if, after completing the Normal school training, the department hoped to overcome the difficulty in obtaining teachers.

WATER COMMITTEE IS NAMED BY MAYOR

Representative Citizens Who Have Agreed to Assist the City Council

Monday's meeting of the city council Mayor Murray announced the personal of the citizens' committee to deal with the water question as follows: John Arbuthnot, R. L. Drury, Dr. R. L. Fraser, W. A. Gleason, Andrew Gray, Anton Henderson, Alex. Hendry, Chas. Hayward, Fred Leiser, J. S. Matson, John Meston, E. C. McEachern, John Nelson, Fred Norris, W. E. Oliver, Gus Porter, W. J. Pendray, Christian Sivertz, J. J. Shalleross, and J. C. Swain. A meeting of the joint committee and council will be held some time next week when all the data which is in the hands of the city and which has been collected by the special committee of the council appointed for that purpose will be considered, and the first step in the settlement of this long-standing amendment will be taken. Messrs. Arbuthnot, Dr. Fraser, and Leiser, former city surveyor, will be present and submit a report.

MAYOR OF VERNON. Vernon, Jan. 31.—H. W. Husband, who was elected mayor by acclamation on January 11th, put in his resignation at the first meeting of the new council, on account of the dissatisfaction expressed over the methods whereby his nomination paper was held back until the last moment, has been again elected. Last week he ran in opposition to H. W. Knight and secured a majority of 85 votes.

COAL RESERVE IN ALASKA. Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—A bill creating a coal reserve in Alaska of 15,000 acres, the primary intent being to provide for naval purposes, has been introduced.

CORONERS AND THEIR POWER

LIVELY DEBATE IN HOUSE YESTERDAY Socialists Allege That Material Evidence is Not Always Taken Down

Legislative Press Gallery, January 31. Two important taxation measures were introduced to-day by message from His Honor, and consideration of these will begin at once. The afternoon was enlivened by a brisk discussion in committee of the bill on one of the attorney-general's bills, ending with a show of hands on an amendment proposed by the Socialist leader.

Among the petitions presented to-day was one by H. B. Thomson on behalf of the city of Victoria, which protests against certain of the sections of Oak Bay's bill, and more particularly as to the right Oak Bay seeks to lay its water mains through the city. Prayers were read to-day by Rev. T. E. Holling. The bill to amend the Coroner's Act by giving power to have the evidence taken in shorthand where desired, was read in committee. H. H. Watson (Vancouver) in the chair. The member for Nanaimo brought up the point he mentioned the other day and moved the inclusion of the following sub-section: "All evidence admitted under oath at any inquest shall be duly taken down by the official stenographer and included in the report of the evidence." The attorney-general said he could not accept this amendment. Coroners had to have control of their courts and say what shall be taken down. Parker Williams considered that what a man said to a coroner might often govern his conduct of an inquest at which he would preside. One time he would allow all valuable evidence to be taken, and another time he would refuse. The matter should be settled by statute. Mr. Hawthorthwaite was willing to alter the phraseology of his motion to give the coroner the right to report in shorthand in cases in which coroners had cut out of the record important evidence brought out by himself or counsel for the miners. The premier maintained that the act as it is provides for the taking of all evidence at inquests. Mr. Hawthorthwaite retorted that the act did not say that the coroner should take down all material evidence. "As a matter of fact, legal counsel had no standing at inquests. It very often happened that material evidence was on hand at an inquest, had been spirited away, and the coroner charged from employment before any civil proceedings came on. The attorney-general said the whole scope of the act was to report to the attorney-general's department upon which could be based an opinion as to whether the criminal law should be put in motion. In some cases too much latitude had been allowed in the past, and it was necessary to place the responsibility on a corporation and for the corporation to get to get out of it. Attention to the fact that while heretofore the depositions have always been read over to the witnesses the attorney-general's amendment did away with this, as the transcript of the shorthand notes would be sworn to by the stenographer and signed by the coroner, never being seen by the witnesses. Mr. Hawthorthwaite remarked that there were very few shorthand writers in the cities of the province with the ability and experience to take evidence. It would frequently happen that stenographers, while doing their best, would make errors in notes or transcripts, and the witness got no chance to correct. Everything which could throw light on the cause of the accident or suggest prevention in the future should be brought out at any inquest. There was nothing to complain of in the late Extension disaster inquest, but there had been several cases in which coroners refused to receive evidence. A. E. McPhillips (Islands) complained that too many inquests degenerated into an inquisitorial inquiry of a nature to determine whether or not someone was responsible in an action for damages. Coroners were not trained to differentiate between what was material and what was not. That stage of the inquest was a waste of time. McPhillips took occasion to remark that Victoria had a most efficient coroner in the person of Dr. Hart, who discharged his duties to the satisfaction of the people and the public interest generally. H. C. Brewster (Alberni) declared that he could not see where Mr. Hawthorthwaite's amendment improved the act, which already gave coroners a mandatory power to call everyone who could give any testimony as to a death and to take down in writing "so much of such statements as are material." It seems to me, said Parker Williams, "that all a coroner is supposed to do, according to members opposite, is to find that a man is dead and liable to remain dead for a tolerably long time." After further debate the matter was put to a vote, when the proposed amendment was defeated. Messrs. Hawthorthwaite, Williams and Jardine voted for it, and Mr. Brewster voted with the rest of the House against it. The attorney-general's bill to amend the Public Inquiries Act so as to permit of commissioners taking evidence under oath, a purely formal bill, was considered in committee of the whole. Fred Davey in the chair and its final reading will follow naturally.

STREET WORKS IN OAK BAY

ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL Estimates for Road Repair in the Neighborhood of Ten Thousand Dollars

Nothing but routine business came before the Oak Bay council at the regular fortnightly meeting in the council chamber on Oak Bay avenue, those present being Reeve Henderson, and Councillors Newton, McGreggor, Lott, Sproule and Hargreaves. A little friction occurred in the meeting when Councillor Newton asked that something be done to improve Beach Drive where the rock had recently been blasted out and big loose rocks were left on the road. The reeve said he was tired of hearing Beach Drive mentioned. During the three years he had been in the council he had heard nothing else, while at the same time Cadboro Bay road was in a disgraceful state and had never received any attention. It was now the turn for the other roads to be repaired. Councillor Hargreaves supported the reeve's estimates, saying that it was his opinion that the first duty of the council was to keep the old roads in good repair, especially the main thoroughfares. Councillor Newton objected to being jumped on by the reeve, and stated that some of the things he had said were incorrect. The work he mentioned had been sanctioned by the council, whereas the work which was now being done on Cadboro Bay and Finnelly roads were not sanctioned by the council. Explanations were made and then the matter was allowed to pass. The municipal engineer submitted his detailed estimates for the upkeep of the roads for the coming year. These amounted to something like \$10,000, and are an increase over previous years, and will necessitate the raising of taxes. Whether an increase of taxes will be found necessary is not known, as the assessments will probably be raised in a number of instances, probably sufficient to cover the extra cost of improvements and no extra rate levied, so that even if there is a small increase it will simply make up for the loss of the improvements. Mr. Sprague and N. Laurie objected to a Chinese pigsty on Hampshire road. The matter was referred to the health committee, but from the tone of the councillors in doing this it seems likely that short shrift will be given the pigs. The engineer reported having offered Mr. Fyke, the contractor for the sidewalk to pay him the \$250 authorized by the committee. This had been refused, Mr. Fyke saying that if he refused to pay him everything but the cost of the sidewalk he would not do the work at all, no matter what the weather. The sidewalk when laid were injured by the frost, and will have to be refaced. This it was thought would be better done in the spring. The matter was referred back to the roads committee. The engineer also reported that he had found a tract of three acres of land which would be suitable for municipal yards, and which could be purchased at a reasonable rate. This was referred to the streets committee.

BLAMES STATES FOR OVERTHROW

EX-PRESIDENT ZELAYA SAYS HE WAS TRICKED Declares Influences at Washington Are Aiding Nicaraguan Rebels

Mexico City, Feb. 1.—In a statement given to a personal friend for publication after his departure from this city, Jose Santos Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, who left last night en route to Belgium, made the startling statement that he was tricked by the United States into giving the revolutionists an advantage during the early stage of the insurrection. He said: "Our army had defeated the revolutionists on the San Juan river and was marching on Bluefields. The revolt would have ended in a week, when suddenly the United States asked us to declare a truce, while peace terms could be discussed. The truce was declared and before operations were resumed the insurgents received a large shipment of arms and ammunition from the United States. "After that followed the battle of the Rama, in which the government army was defeated. We were tricked and played like figures in a game of chess by the powerful influences at Washington until the advantage was given over to the other side, just as Washington had planned. "The American government is still declaring that the insurgents are still win, but its pretence of neutrality, while arms and men come down on every boat from the United States, prevents an open avowal and the saying of the truth by innocent lives. Zelaya declared that the execution of Groce and Cannon was a "mere incident." "The United States had previously declared that it should be overthrown," he said. "Sparing the lives of Groce and Cannon would not have altered the plan at Washington. The policy probably had been decided before I was heard of as a factor in the situation." As a parting shot, Zelaya predicted that in the future Nicaragua would be a republic ruled by large American corporations, "which seek monopolies in that country."

TO INVESTIGATE COST OF LIVING

Inquiry Decided Upon by Committee of United States House

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—The ways and means committee of the House has decided upon an investigation of the cost of living. A sub-committee has been appointed to plan the investigation. Card Crusade. New York, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Anita Comfort Brooks, president of the Gotham League, has organized a card crusade, asking every woman in the United States to write President Taft demanding he break the "meat trust." Mrs. Brooks sent thousands of letters throughout the country as a start for an endless chain. If this move proves successful she will next attempt to break the "fish trust" by the same means. It is reported that the "meat trust" plans to fight the boycotters on their own ground by reducing the shipments of dressed meats and raise the prices because of the shortage.

ALBERNI-COMOX ROAD

A LONG TIME BUILDING Six Thousand Dollars Spent on it in Five Years With Little Result

Speaking in Alberni Premier McBride has said more than once that what the people want even more urgently than railways is a wagon road between Alberni and Comox, to enable the settlers to get their produce down to market. Work has been going on upon a road for five years, but little has really been done. The road has been used as an election promise to the constituencies in two elections. In order to get some information about the progress made and the government's policy in connection with the road, the following questions to the Minister of Public Works: "Is it the intention of the government to complete the Alberni-Comox road during 1910? What amounts have been expended on this road to date?" Hon. Mr. Taylor replied as follows: "1. No. 2. Surveys, construction, etc.—1905-6, \$330; 1906-7, \$3,338.90; 1907-8, \$333.47; 1908-9, \$333.47; 1909-10, \$75.46—\$4,537.23. So, apparently the road may yet do service in another general election."

OAK BAY AND WATER QUESTION

CITY COUNCIL TIMOROUS ABOUT PRIVATE BILL City Solicitor Instructed to Ask for a Stay in the Proceedings

The city solicitor was instructed at Tuesday's meeting of the city council to ask the private bills committee of the legislature to stay proceedings in connection with the act being sought by the municipality of Oak Bay granting powers to lay water pipes through the city of Victoria. Every member of the board went on record as believing that the city's interest should be safeguarded in every particular, though there was no disposition to place any obstacle in the way of Oak Bay getting an ample supply of water. The matter came up at last night's meeting on a letter being read from the city solicitor dealing with the nature of the application now before the legislature, and also a report of the legislative committee of the council. Ald. Mable started the debate by declaring that he protested against the Esquimalt Waterworks Company or the municipality of Oak Bay getting any concession whatever from the city of Victoria. He pointed out that the council of last year had been unanimous in their opposition to the private bill, and he hoped that this year's board would take a similar attitude. Ald. Raymond heartily concurred in this view of the situation. Ald. Langley thought it would be unwise to place obstacles in the way of any municipality getting what powers it wished from the legislature if they did not conflict with the rights of the city. It ought not to be forgotten that Oak Bay was a part of greater Victoria. Why could not the two places work hand in hand for their mutual interests? He was opposed to allowing the Esquimalt company to lay pipes through the city unless the work was done under the supervision of a good whatever from the city of Victoria. He pointed out that the council of last year had been unanimous in their opposition to the private bill, and he hoped that this year's board would take a similar attitude. Ald. Raymond heartily concurred in this view of the situation. Ald. 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Partially Cleared, Good Soil.
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PRICE \$2,000.
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THAT HANDSOME 7 ROOMED BUNGALOW on Cook street, just off Pandora, lot 45x120, nicely fenced, house is fully modern, basement full size, electric fixtures and window blinds are included; a splendid buy at \$4,000, good terms. THAT CHOICE LOT on Chester street, Fairfield Estate, at \$1,200, terms is a bargain. ONLY A FEW OF THOSE NICE LOTS on Fifth street, between Hillside and King's road, left at \$1,500 each, terms. NEW HOUSE, corner Fernwood road and Walnut street, 6 roomed California bungalow, lot fenced, house new and fully modern; price \$3,000, terms. 2 CHOICE LOTS, corner Hillside and Graham; a money maker at \$1,500 for the two, easy terms.

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New Grand Theatre Building.
F. O. Box 177. Phone 869

\$3,800—Modern home, Pandora avenue, above Fernwood.
\$700—Lot, 60 x 120, Oak Bay avenue.
\$1,800—1 1/2 acres, Burnside road, cleared.
\$7,500—29 acres, Saanich Arm, 12 miles out, 1-2-mile waterfront.
\$800—Lot, 60 x 120, corner Cook and Queen's avenue.
\$400—12 acres, partly slashed, 1-2-mile from Cobble Hill station.
\$3,600—60 acres, 11-12 miles from Semonias station, 8 acres cleared, 10 acres slashed, log house, barn, etc.

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Room 5,
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QUATSINO.
HOUSE, FURNITURE, BOAT,
128 Acres of Land,
4 Acres Good Fruit Gardens.
FOR SALE CHEAP.

GEO. L. POWERS
Room 6,
BOWNASS BUILDING,
1113 BROAD STREET.

LOTS IN ROCKLAND PARK—\$350 and up. Terms.
LOT—255 Humboldt Street.
4 LOTS, Fernwood Gardens, \$175 each.
8 and west 1/4 of 10, blk. 67, Michigan street full sized lots \$750 each; 1/4 lot \$400.

E. A. HARRIS & CO.
Mining Brokers and Real Estate Agents
35 FORT STREET.

OAK BAY—8 acres, all cultivated; 7-room house, stable, fruit trees. \$10,000; easy terms.
16 ACRES—Cultivated, 3 miles out; 5-room cottage. \$6,000.
LINDEN AVE.—60x120; splendid situation for house. \$2,100.
\$2,700—7-room house, 30x120 lot; Burdette ave. \$600 cash, balance to suit.

L. U. CONYERS & CO.
650 VIEW STREET.

A FEW BARGAINS IN HOME PROPERTIES.
\$4,900—Victoria West—House 7 rooms, all modern conveniences, with two large lots; (above price includes household furniture); all in first class shape; reasonable terms.
\$2,750—Burdette Avenue—House containing 7 rooms, all modern throughout, gas, H. & C. water, etc., very cheap buy and very easy terms.
\$2,000—Charming cottage 5 rooms, all modern, bath, sewer, H. & C. water, up-to-date, concrete foundation, one block from Government street; terms 1-3 cash, balance easy.
\$1,650—House 5 rooms, bath, sewer, H. & C. water, electric light, James Bay, (producing 10 per cent on investment at low rental); reasonable terms.
FIRE INSURANCE WRITTEN, MONEY TO LOAN.

J. STUART YATES
22 BASTION STREET, VICTORIA

FOR SALE.
20 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke Harbor.
TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses in good condition, on easy terms.
3 1/2 ACRES—On Colquhoun river, Victoria District, cheap.
For further particulars apply to above address.

A. COLQUHOUN HOLMES
Room 3, Northern Crown Bank Chambers,
2138 GOVERNMENT ST.

EMPRESS SUBDIVISION—Fine lot (50x120), abutting on two streets. Only \$850.
EDMONTON ROAD—4 lots, including corner. A bargain for the whole. Only \$1,500; one-third cash.
STANLEY AVENUE—3 fine lots at each \$800.

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VICTORIA WEST—Fine new house of 11 rooms; all modern conveniences; W.D. acre of ground, all under cultivation and planted in fruit trees and small fruit; a bargain for \$3,000, terms.
DAVEY STREET—New 5 room bungalow, bathroom, etc., all modern conveniences; large lot; price \$2,800; \$250 cash, balance \$50 per quarter, with 7 per cent interest.
DAVEY STREET—New modern 9 room house, good basement, large hall, paneled, with beam ceiling and large open press; brick fire, dining room, parlor, large drawing room, kitchen with pass, pantry, bathroom, all modern conveniences, 4 bedrooms upstairs, lot 60x120; price \$3,000; \$200 cash, balance remain on mortgage.
JOHNSON STREET—Good building site, 36x125, better Government street; price \$1,500, easy terms.
COOK STREET—Choice double corner, 120x120, cement sidewalks on two sides; price \$2,500, or will sell separately.

EMPIRE REALTY CO.
REAL ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENTS
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A MONEY MAKER.
\$ LOTS situated at Victoria Crescent, with 10-room house thereon. Price \$7,500. Terms. This property will be soon worth \$100 a front foot.
BUSINESS SITE.
120x120 on Yates street, close in. Revenue, \$600 per annum. Price \$13,500. Terms to suit.
BEAUTIFUL HOME SITE.
220x120 on Rockland Avenue, this side of Cook street. Price \$7,500. Easy terms.
THE CITY BROKERAGE
A. T. ABBEY, Manager.
1213 DOUGLAS STREET.

\$ 850—Buys 4 large lots and one house, Totmie avenue.
\$1,200—House and lot on Vining street, with barn, chicken house and fruit trees.
\$1,400—House and lot, Wilson street, nearly new.
\$1,500—Five roomed cottage on Fraser street, near car line, basement, electric light and good water.
\$1,550—Sayward Ave., good five room house, large lot, or will exchange for outside property.
\$1,800—Fairfield road, five room cottage, modern in every way, built with wainscot, electric light and good water.
\$1,750—Simcoe street, small lot, small cottage, with pantry, bathroom, good hall, lots in this district worth from \$1,200 upwards.
\$1,800—Comfortable six roomed house, good repair, fine garden, also has cement sidewalks.
\$1,500—Corner Simcoe street and Croft, six roomed house.
\$2,000—Caledonia Ave., below Quadra, six roomed house.

Watch this space for next ad., which will be a list of houses and lots ranging in prices from \$2,000 to \$3,000.
List your property with us if you have not already done so.

CROSSES CONTINENT FOR BRIDE.
New Westminster, Feb. 2.—A romance in which the principals hail from the land of the Rising Sun was brought to a happy termination at Columbian college, Monday evening, when Rev. Dr. Sippell, principal of the college, united in matrimony Dr. K. Morihira, of New York, and Miss T. Yoshizaki, of Seattle. The bride was attended by Miss Aihara, while Mr. Yoshizaki supported the groom.

Dr. Morihira, who practices dentistry in New York, only arrived from the east a few days ago to claim his bride, whom he had not seen for some years, although she has been a resident of Seattle since 1904. Both are members of the Methodist church. The wedding was attended by over thirty Japanese men and women.

The honeymoon will be spent in the Southern States, after which Dr. and Mrs. Morihira will make their home in New York.

J. GREENWOOD
REAL ESTATE AND TIMBER.
375 Yates, next door to Bank of B.N.A.
Phone 1423.

CHAPMAN STREET.
Close to Linden Avenue. Large lot facing south, for \$900.
Terms \$200 cash, balance arranged.

VANCOUVER STREET.
8 minutes to postoffice; extra big Corner Lot 54x14.
\$1,050. Terms.

FOR SALE EXCLUSIVELY BY TOLLER & GRUBB
Room 22, Over B. Williams & Co's Store,
618 YATES STREET.

FOR SALE.
2 acres, Totmie, all cleared and fenced, splendid soil, \$1,500.
8 roomed house, full sized lot, barn and stables, between 2 car lines, \$2,500.
About 1 acre, well cultivated, brand new house and outbuildings, Foul Bay road, \$2,700.
41 acres, Cobble Hill, small house, close to church and railway, \$3,150.
Small good house of 1 1/2 stories, modern, close to car, \$1,200.
20 acres at Duncan, 20 acres cleared, house and all implements, fully stocked, \$5,500.
House and full sized lot, Burnside road, just outside city limits, \$3,000.
\$1,575 buys new house, close to Hillside, \$1,075.
10 acres, 33 cleared, 41 acres partly cleared, \$3,500.
Metochin, 20 acres, 15 cleared, and good house, \$4,000.
5 acres, absolutely cleared and fenced, house, "ideal" farm, \$7,500.
11 acres, all in pasture, B's new house, barn and stables, \$5,000.
About 1 acre, Michigan street, large 11 roomed house, \$9,000.
\$100 cash and \$15 per month buys new house and lot, all in splendid shape, \$2,100.
\$2,500 buys house and furniture, 2 blocks from City Hall, \$2,600, comparatively new.
Next to corner lot on Moss street, \$3,200.

LEE & FRASER
Real Estate and Insurance Agents.
613 TROUNCE AVENUE.

\$750—Corner lot on Frances Avenue, \$5,000—Only for 4 splendid lots and 7-roomed house on Quadra Street.
\$3,800—Modern Bungalow on Pandora Street.
\$1,200—Well situated lot on Pandora Street.
\$4,000—Belleville Street, off Oak Bay Avenue. Terms to arrange.
\$3,200—Double frontage lot on David Street and cottage in good repair.
\$3,300—House and two lots Kingston Street.
\$7,500—Two houses and lot on View Street, above Blanchard.
\$1,000 each, for 2 lots on Dunedin Street.
\$950—Two lots on Craigflower Road.
Business lots on Douglas, Fort and View Streets.

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE, MONEY TO LOAN.
THE GLOBE REALTY CO.
7 Mahon Block, 1112 Government St.
Telephone 1613.
LOTS FOR SALE, ETC.
\$550 buys fine lot on Head street, fine waterfront; fenced in. Half cash, balance arranged.
\$325 makes you the possessor of lot in Victoria West within one block of school. \$25 cash and \$10 per month.
\$400 buys full sized lot on Esquimalt road. Easy terms.
\$500 buys a lot on Hillside avenue, near Government street.

PIONEER REALTY
1214 GOVERNMENT ST.
(Upstairs).
150 ACRES,
SOUTH SAANICH,
30 acres cleared, house and outhouses, \$10,000.
70 ACRES,
SAANICH,
7 acres cleared,
\$100 per acre.
7 ACRES,
BURNSIDE ROAD,
All cleared and fenced,
\$2,650.

MORRISSEY MINES
MAY BE RE-OPENED
Output of Coal Creek and Michel Collieries is Steadily Increasing

Ferne, Feb. 2.—There is a rumor that the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company intends at an early date to reopen the Morrissey mines. If the rumor is true it will mean a great deal for the district and a largely increased payroll. The tonnage of the Coal Creek and Michel collieries is increasing steadily under the new management and the prospects for the future are extremely bright. The exceptionally fine and moderate weather this season has greatly assisted building operations and work has continued without interruption on several structures.

A fatal accident occurred in No. 1 mine, Coal Creek, by which Joseph Kapsch, an Austrian, 41 years of age, lost his life. While at work in his room in the mine a portion of the roof gave way, burying the unfortunate man and crushing him to death. Kapsch leaves a wife and four children, the youngest being only one year old.

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ANNUAL BALL ENJOYABLE AFFAIR AT VANCOUVER
Dance at Duncan Proves Success—Praise for Ladies' Committee

(Special Correspondence.)
Duncan, Feb. 2.—The annual ball of the Agricultural Association was held in their hall at Duncan on January 27th. It was probably the most successful the society has yet given, the success no doubt being largely due to the special efforts of the ladies' committee. The main hall was very effectively decorated in green and red, while the decoration of the supper room was carried out in green, with pink lamp shades. The supper table, which was under the direction of Mrs. Prevost, Mrs. Phipps and Mrs. Hirsch, never looked so prettier. It was decorated with pink tulle, pink carnations and smilax and silver candelabra. The supper arrangements were in charge of a ladies' committee under Mrs. P. Price and Mrs. Keast. Miss Thain's orchestra supplied the music and dancing was kept up until an early hour in the morning. Among the visitors from outside points were Miss Solton, Miss L. King, Mr. A. and Miss Morley and others from Victoria, and Mrs. and the Misses Halbert, Mrs. and Miss Maintry and Mr. D. Maintry, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fry and Mr. M. Elliott from Chemainus.

THREE NEW SCHOOLS ARE NOW REQUIRED
Overcrowding Problem Confronts Trustees of New Westminster

New Westminster, Feb. 2.—After holding no less than four sessions during the past week, the members of the school board have at last succeeded in bringing their estimates in shape. The different members of the board decline to give out information concerning the estimates, but it is known that these are well above \$100,000, of which \$75,000 are for ordinary expenses which must be passed by the council. For the extraordinary amount sought, a by-law may have to be submitted to the people. Coincident with the presentation of the estimates will come the official announcement of an increase in the salaries of nearly all of the forty teachers, this having been decided upon after considerable discussion and the comparing of salaries paid here with those of other cities of equal rank.

The great problem confronting the school board this year is the lack of accommodation. There are from twelve to fourteen new boys and girls attending school in New Westminster, and the necessary accommodation is lacking to properly provide for this number. While none of the rooms are so crowded as the actual conditions are, it is still doubling up in the case in several of the class rooms, while in other cases special accommodation has had to be sought.

To provide for the needs of the juvenile population of that portion of Lulu Island which is within the city limits, a class room has been opened there. This accommodation, however, is only temporary, it being the intention to build a permanent school on Lulu Island in July.

CONTRACT WORK AT VANCOUVER
Heated Discussion in Council Over Recommendations of Board of Works

Vancouver, Feb. 2.—The contract for the city council carried their point again in the full session of the aldermen and passed the recommendation of the board of works to put in ten miles of sidewalks by contract labor. There was a hard fight over the subject, and His Worship relinquished the chair for a few minutes in order to enter into the debate. The city engineer was called upon to state his views, and he very gracefully said that both contract and day labor methods were good.

NO INCREASE FOR VANCOUVER TEACHERS
Salary List for Present Year Totals \$259,160—Estimates Passed

Vancouver, Feb. 2.—At a special session of the board a deputation of women teachers presented a request for an increase in the proposed salary schedule in the Vancouver schools. The point emphasized by the ladies was the desire for a higher maximum salary in the different grades. Miss Jamieson, of the High school, who went into the details, pointed out the high living expenses of teachers in Vancouver, and the necessity for them to present a good appearance, meetings, as they do, all classes of society.

In taking up the salary estimates the superintendent pointed out that they had been drawn up on the basis of the schedule already in force. The total salary list for 1910, as estimated, is \$259,160, of which the government grant covers \$110,000 and the city will have to find the balance, \$149,160.

A few salaries were raised after all, the city superintendent's to \$3,250; the secretary's to \$80 per month, and the office boy's to \$40 per month.

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Plan Now Being Considered by Management of B. C. Copper Company

Phoenix, Feb. 2.—The British Columbia Copper Management is now considering a plan, which, if carried out successfully, should tend to do away with the probability of strikes of its employees. It is a profit-sharing scheme and two plans are suggested, either of both of which may be adopted. One is that the employees shall have the right to subscribe at par for a certain amount of the treasury stock, and the other is that a scale of wages be put into force which shall be adjustable to the price of copper.

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VICTORIA DOES WITHOUT NORMAL

CANNOT HAVE IT TILL POPULATION GROWS

Premier Definitely Kills City's Hopes—Control of Notaries Discussed

Legislative Press Gallery, February 1. Victoria is not to have a normal school, no matter how great may seem the need for one. By and by, perhaps. When the province has grown sufficiently in the estimation of the McBrice government it is possible that Vancouver Island may get its wish satisfied. But at present the normal school is enough for British Columbia.

Such is the declaration of Premier McBrice, made this afternoon in the course of a speech on the bill to amend the School Act. H. C. Brewster (Alberni) had just made a strong plea for a normal institution on this island, preferably in Victoria. Any hope held out to the capital during election or at any other time is to be unheeded, and the last word has been said on the matter so far as the government is concerned.

There were a couple of amusing incidents in the House to-day arising out of formal matters of procedure. John Jardine (Esquimalt) got decidedly the best of the government when the committee stage of the Medical Inspection of School Bill was called. He pointed out that the bill was improperly before the House as, being a measure which in part dealt with the revenues of the Crown, it should have been introduced by message from His Honor. The Premier did not feel inclined to admit the point, but Hon. Dr. Young, in whose charge the bill is, to avoid debate, withdrew it. Later on in the afternoon the bill was regularly re-introduced amid broad smiles from the opposition members. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, gravely humorous, admonished the Attorney-General to be more careful that the government should try to undermine the constitution. The member for Nanaimo professed great astonishment that Conservatives should be found taking away the privileges of the Crown.

Shortly before the House adjourned the Attorney-General brought in a bill by message respecting Crown costs, which went through the customary committee consideration of the message before the bill was introduced. Mr. Hawthornthwaite insisted that the bill should be in the hands of members at that stage, but the Premier pointed out to him that this had not been the practice in the past, although not followed in every case. As a matter of fact the bill was distributed immediately upon its introduction and formal first reading.

H. C. Brewster, in resuming the debate on the second reading of the Education Bill, said it was one of the biggest questions coming before the House, and he wished to approach it in an absolutely fair manner, as it was a subject which should be treated on its merits and without political bias. He could not agree with everything said by the Minister of Education, as he did not believe the existing School Act was all it should be. Especially in outlying districts it was a hardship on those who should be relieved from too onerous burdens. There were many districts where heavy upkeep of school buildings and all the other expenses fell on the few resident parents. This led to a condition not in the best interests of the children. Large families were frequently the poorest, and so it became a burden on the parents to give their children any education. Consequently, instead of going into it in a manner to give the children the best buildings, they were crowded together and were crowded.

The proposal to allow the travelling of student teachers to and from the normal school at Vancouver, Mr. Brewster declared to be a sop to the easy conscience of the government. Education, because he had hitherto refused to allow the establishment of normal schools in populous centres. Vancouver Island had good cause to complain, having no normal school, although it should by all rights have one, whether at Victoria or at some other point on the island. It was a peculiar fact that in Victoria was the only city in Canada which did not have a normal school located within its bounds. In this proposal to pay travelling expenses and the other proposal to make third-class rates free, the government was trying to avoid having to issue permits to teach. In 1908 at Victoria High School one hundred teachers took certificates, and yet less than twelve of them attended the normal. Would paying the expenses of students from here to Vancouver alter that in the slightest? If a normal school was established here these students could get the training they desired, but which they could not afford in many cases to go from home to obtain.

The proposal to establish superior schools would be found to benefit but a few, say those within three or four miles of the school. If students had to go further than that it would be far better to give them a place where they could go to city schools. Victoria today gave Saanich, Oak Bay and other outside students the benefits of the High School without the city school board receiving any remuneration.

In the matter of the city school Mr. Brewster drew attention to the necessity for care that the students around fourteen who attended these were not children who should be going to the public schools. In regular course, but who instead were being put to work and sent to night school to study after a day's work. The people who went to night school as a rule had had some education, and wished to perfect themselves in some trade or calling, or some branch. There should be room in our school system for every child to fit himself to be proficient in the line of trade they wish to take up. The cost of these schools was not being properly divided; the government was not getting as far as it ought to go in

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that regard. The very best teaching staff obtainable should be had for these schools. The member for Alberni expressed the opinion that the teacher who was not more ambitious than a third-class certificate for life was not fit for teaching.

The Premier made a lengthy speech in reply to Mr. Brewster, and began with an explanation of the position of the government in the matter of another normal school. When the present one was established by the Dunsmuir government he said, the location had been a matter of careful consideration, and in placing it in Vancouver the government thought it would best serve the interests of the province. Local considerations had nothing to do with the selection then made; as a matter of fact the then Premier, he himself, and other ministers were residents of Victoria, and the Premier had practically all his interests in the island. This question had some considerable place in the politics of the city, and undoubtedly there was an agitation brought about to force the hand of the government to establish a normal school here. He did not hesitate to advise the House that the policy of the council of public instruction with regard to the establishment and maintenance of the school at Vancouver was easily and readily justified. It was one of the most efficient of the kind in the Dominion. It was deemed wise that all efforts should be centered on it. The House and the provinces could rely on it that whatever was essential to the teaching profession and education, even if it meant the establishment of another normal school, would be carried out by the government. But there was not to-day sufficient population to justify the establishment of a second normal school, so far as a factor was concerned. He had no doubt that owing to the wonderful development of the island the House would be called upon at no distant session to provide for the establishment of schools on the island, preferably in Victoria. The interior would also doubtless need a school. When the population warranted the government would not hesitate to extend the system.

The Premier devoted some time to the other phases of the bill, defending the proposals of his colleague, the Minister of Education. In regard to technical education he expressed the hope that the province would benefit from a share of the Strathcona fund for that purpose. Mr. Parker (Newcastle) declared that manual training was a device of the capitalist and manufacturer to obtain strike-breakers, while on the other hand the trades unions sought to restrict the number of those in any line of apprentices. He favored rather a broader public school education, and, if necessary, the extending of the school age to fifteen or sixteen, than manual training. Salaries were considered by Mr. Williams as somewhat length, and he insisted that these were much too low. He cited janitors, gardeners, firemen, policemen and other employees of the government who got far more than the average school teacher. Even the superintendent of education was in receipt of a salary considerably below that of, say, the chief inspector of fisheries.

The adjournment of the debate was moved by John Jardine. Control of Notaries. There was a discussion on the bill of the Attorney-General to take to the government the complete supervision of the notaries public. The bill provided in the bill going through committee without change. The opposition told the government plainly that the sole object was to get full power in the hands of the Attorney-General and to extend the machine still further.

Mr. Brewster asked the Attorney-General what better control the government could have over the qualifications of notaries than is contained in the very section of the act which it is intended to repeal. Mr. Bowser had claimed the other day that there were some men acting who were not well qualified or not as good as they should be. There could be no question that the section which the Attorney-General wanted to strike out gave the government full power to prescribe what the qualifications should be and what examination a candidate should pass. Instructions could be given to the judges by whom the candidates were examined, to keep out undesirable or provide for a stiff examination. But evidently the Attorney-General, who had taken a great many powers in his own hands, had them to great advantage, proposed to take control of the notaries public as of so many other things in the past.

The Attorney-General replied that any powers he had taken were in the interests of the public and were exercised. He had never heard any criticism of his use of them that amounted to anything, and the verdict of the people on November 25th showed that what had been done was approved of by them.

"It shows how nicely worked-out they were," the member for Alberni remarked. H. Hawthornthwaite proposed an amendment that all candidates should pass an examination before the

civil service commission, but this was voted down.

Bills Introduced. The Attorney-General brought in a bill to amend the Factory Act by adding a section declaring inspectors incompetent to give testimony in any civil suit or proceedings while holding office in regard to anything he has seen or done, and he is also forbidden to act as an expert witness in any case. Another bill of Mr. Bowser's is designed to prevent any court or judge awarding costs for or against the Crown, or any officer or agent for the Crown, except under the provisions of a statute which expressly authorizes such an order.

Private bills introduced and given a first reading were the following: Empowering the Salvation Army to deal with certain property (Mr. Davey); to authorize the B. C. Mainland and Coast Industrial Company to construct railroads, tramways, etc. (Mr. Thomson); to incorporate the Coxes Logging and Railway Company (Mr. Gifford).

FARMERS HOLD BIG GATHERING

MANY RESOLUTIONS BEFORE INSTITUTE

Matters of Much Interest to Settlers Are Dealt With

The convention passed a unanimous resolution put by James Cook, of Kootenay, endorsing the Canadian apple show proposed to be held in Vancouver about November this year, as outlined at Tuesday morning's session by Maxwell Smith.

George Heatherbell said British Columbia grew the best apples in the world, but he thought Mr. Smith's estimate of \$25,000 cost was too small. He thought \$50,000 could easily be obtained from various sources. Mr. Harris thought Vancouver was the best place to hold the show as it was central for all exhibitors.

Robert Turner, delegate from the Salmon Arm Institute, moved a resolution that the women's institutes receive a grant the same as is given the men's institutes. Mr. Smith's motion was seconded. The mover said he had been asked to bring the resolution before the convention. He had been pleased to hear from the farmers' institute that the grant would be provided for. The resolution was carried.

Freight reduction between British Columbia points and the prairies by the C. P. R. was proposed by Delegate J. A. H. Morrow, of the Delta, seconded the motion, saying that he understood freight rates were reduced from the east to the British Columbia coast. He thought the rates should be reduced to the coast.

The deputy minister said the matter had been discussed last year by the C. P. R. officials and the department. He did not know what additional reductions could be obtained. Mr. Cap. Stevens said the C. P. R. would require specific statements. He thought the resolution should have more detail.

Mr. Winslow said the rates compared favorably with those of the states of Washington and the prairies. He thought the government should do something under present circumstances any alteration would be made by the C. P. R.

John Redman said he thought it was a matter for the government. His institute had received promises from the C. P. R. Mr. Scott advised the resolution being altered to ask the government to provide a freight and express rate commission as the matter was not one for the department to deal with. This matter will come up again.

The desirability of the government giving special attention to the bonusing of approved stallions, which formed the basis of a resolution from the Kamloops Institute, was spoken to by Messrs. Redman, Heatherbell and Hodson, all of whom were unanimous in the opinion that the standard must be kept up and that government assistance in breeding would be acceptable all through the province. Mr. Davey did not consider it a fair deal for the who at present own horses. Mr. Hodson said when the price was in force it would not be to the detriment of those in the business already.

Dr. Tomlin said the government should not compete with men who had invested large sums in the business. Military horses were advocated a committee to deal with the matter. Other speakers advocated the resolution and Mr. Redman said the government should set in touch with the remount department of the British war office.

T. G. Spear moved an amendment that a committee be appointed to go into the matter and report back, after conferring with Dr. Tomlin. The amendment carried.

The committee appointed consisted of Messrs. Smith, Davey, Redman, Charaby and Hodson. Mr. Starke Bros., Louisiana, Mo., appear to have felling trees not true to name on British Columbia farmers and fruit growers, according to complaint made by government. Deputy minister informed the delegates that nurserymen doing business in the province were under bond in the sum of \$2,000 and suit could be brought against these firms by the government. Starke Bros., however, are an American firm, doing business by mail only, and the buyer could not be protected by the department. Delegates were advised to purchase only from nurserymen who were doing business in the province and who were under bond.

Thomas Abriel advocated that the department of agriculture purchase clover seed in wholesale quantities and distribute it in small parcels to the institutes for the use of members. Seed that now costs 28 cents would be secured this way for 16c. Mr. Keffey, of Arron Park, supported the motion and the department would be advancing interests of the country and ad-

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vince the small grower by three years. Mr. Heatherbell spoke on the motion and asked that the Vetch seed be included in the motion.

Mr. Scott said there was a question of principle involved and the line must be drawn somewhere.

Mr. Heatherbell said the farmer was not asking for a gift but merely for the government to act as banker for the time being. Mr. Spear said the motion was just what the institute suggested was just what the institute was for and on seed could be included as it cost the merchant 30 cents a pound and the farmer paid \$2.50. The institute was for this purpose, to stop this hold-up by the merchant.

Other speakers held that it was a matter for individual institutes. The motion was carried.

The motion was carried at present no Nicola farmers have at present no remedy for the spreading of chistias because the act does not provide for territory east of the Cascade range. To remedy this H. S. Cleasby, of the Nicola Farmers' Institute, put a motion asking the government to amend the act to bring territory east of the Cascade range within the same jurisdiction as the west.

A resolution asking that an inspector visit the Kelowna district on account of disease existing among tree and bush fruits was carried.

The convention resolved that manufacturers of stumping powder be asked to print labels for the use of the same and have a copy placed in each box sold.

NO FRICTION ABOUT TRAMWAY AGREEMENT

Apparent That City Solicitor Discovered Nothing More Than Mare's Nest

A committee of the city council, consisting of Mayor Morley, Aid. Bannerman and Aid. Rayman on Tuesday waited on W. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, in regard to the agreement between the city and the company in regard to the Jordan River power project. The city solicitor had reported to the council that the company refused to have inserted in the bill a provision that the agreement between the city and the company should terminate on December 5, 1938, the date on which the company's franchise terminates.

Mr. Goward stated that the company had no objection to the provision in the bill, but the city solicitor, when drafting the petition to the House for an amendment to the act, made it read that both the company's charter and the agreement between the city and the company should terminate on that date. But apart from this difference of opinion, the company is quite willing that the agreement should terminate then.

Mr. Goward stated in plain language that he thought of the city solicitor's attitude, and when the committee let matters had been amicably adjusted and the contention of the company sustained.

CHILD MURDERED.

New York, Feb. 1.—Another child murder has started New York. It occurred in a house on East 50th street last night, where a man shot and killed one child, wounded another and killed himself. No cause is known.

JUVENILE COURTS IN PROVINCE

STEP IS NOW BEING CONSIDERED

Attorney-General and Department of Justice Confering on Subject

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—A clipping from the columns of the Vancouver Sun of several weeks ago was sent to your correspondent from Vancouver. It was a criticism, in characteristic Sunset style, of the department of justice, the minister of justice, and incidentally of the provincial legislature, on account of alleged unfavorable reception given in Ottawa to an effort made by leading Vancouver citizens to get a juvenile court established there.

When Hon. Mr. Templeman was asked what he had to say in explanation he had to admit that the article gave him the first intimation that he had received in respect to an application to establish a juvenile court at Vancouver. "I am even more ignorant than the writer of the article, who apparently has some knowledge of what is being done, although his information is inaccurate as his reference to my attitude to the question clearly indicates. This is the first I have heard of the communications with the justice department on the subject, and therefore it is most unfair that it should be accused by the Sun of doing something to retard the establishment of the juvenile court in Vancouver. I should have been pleased to help had I been advised about it."

The unfair comment referred to is not of much consequence, as public men have to stand a good deal of that kind of thing, and the subject would hardly be worth referring to now were it not deemed advisable, in the interest of all concerned, that the facts in regard to the proposition to establish a juvenile court in Vancouver should be properly stated.

The subject is not yet ended, and no doubt in due time and in a regular manner the court will be established. I have made careful investigation and have ascertained that the facts are as follows: Apart from a conversation on the subject some time in June, the first heard in Ottawa of an application to have the statute brought into force in Vancouver was a telegram received from Mr. Wade in November last. Mr. Wade was under the impression, evidently, that an order-in-council could be passed at once, and the thing was done. But the justice department looks upon the enforcement of the act anywhere as a serious business, because from the moment it comes into force the whole jurisdiction of the ordinary courts as to boys and girls under 14 is at an end, and even as to serious offences with which boys between 14 and 16 might be charged, there is no further right to trial by jury, except at the discretion of a judge. Once the act is brought into force in any district there is no provision for restoring the jurisdiction of the ordinary courts, and therefore such a step should not be taken without the most careful inquiry.

Under the Juvenile Delinquents Act an order-in-council has been passed which allows a number of things which applicants must establish before the act can be brought into force in any locality.

It was pointed out by the justice department that a formal application was necessary, and that it ought to be made through the attorney-general of the province, as he was charged with the responsibility for the administration of justice in the province, and he as the proper local officer was the right official to be satisfied that the necessary preliminary requirements had been complied with. The deputy attorney-general was communicated with to this effect. There was not the slightest suggestion made that this was wrong in the distance between Vancouver and Ottawa. On the contrary, the whole ground for the reference to the attorney-general was that he is the proper official to have charge of such matters as part of the administration of criminal justice in the province, and the same course is taken in all the provinces.

Before the act can be proclaimed, a proper detention home must be established, and an industrial school, a judge willing to act, remuneration provided for adequate staff of probation officers, and a juvenile court committee arranged for. These are things in regard to which the government here is entitled to have official information from local authorities.

Mr. Bowser wrote on December 10th that he was making inquiries into the matter, and again on December 28th, stating that he was not satisfied that all the necessary requirements exist in Vancouver to justify him in asking that the act be proclaimed. He holds that he thinks it better there should be uniform legislation in the province on the subject, and that he has decided to introduce a bill at the present session of the provincial legislature along these lines. He says that he has discussed the matter with the mayor of Vancouver, as well as with gentlemen very prominent in juvenile court work, and that they agree it would be better to have provincial legislation dealing with the matter rather than that he should make the application desired in Vancouver.

OAK BAY WANTS LIGHTED STREETS

Roads Committee of Municipality to Discuss Both Light and Fire Protection

The matter of street lighting and fire protection are two subjects which are to be taken up by the municipal council of Oak Bay. At the meeting on Monday night a letter was read from ex-Rector Oliver asking that the matter of lighting be taken up by the council. Mr. Oliver drew special attention to the district between the end of the car line and his house, where he thought lights were needed. There are a number of other districts, too, in the municipality where the residents are anxious to have the streets lighted, and it is thought would be willing to pay for the privilege.

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