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### RUSSIAN CAVALRY RAIDERS ACTIVE

#### CONFLICTS WITH JAPS SOUTHWEST OF LIAO YANG

#### Were Repulsed at All Points—Mikado's Troops Are Pursuing Force Which Attacked Newchwang.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 12.—The war office explains that the reason for Lieutenant-General Stoesel giving his parole and returning to Russia instead of remaining at the head of the heroic troops who formed the garrison of Port Arthur and sharing their fate as a prisoner of war in Japan, is that it is incumbent on him to bring a detailed report of the defence of the fortress to the Emperor.

#### HUNDREDS OF GUNS FOR THE JAPANESE.

Tokio, Jan. 12.—Gen. Nogi reports that the Japanese captured at Port Arthur 546 guns, 82,570 shells, 30,000 boxes of powder and 2,200,800 rounds of rifle ammunition.

#### RUSSIAN WARSHIPS ARE OUT OF CANAL.

Suez, Egypt, Jan. 12.—The division of the Russian second Pacific squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Botrovsky, arrived here to-day from Port Said.

#### SUCCESS OF RUSSIAN LOAN IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—Applications for the second loan were so large that the subscription list was closed immediately after it opened this morning.

#### SUBSCRIBED IN CAPITAL WITHIN A HALF HOUR.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 12.—The Russian subscription to the new loan opened at 10 o'clock this morning, and was fully subscribed to within a half hour. It went at a premium of one point during the day.

#### STOESSEL HAD ALMOST FIFTY THOUSAND MEN.

Tokio, Jan. 12.—The Japanese achievement of Port Arthur is more remarkable in the light of further investigations. The original Russian strength is now estimated to have been almost 50,000. It is announced at the army headquarters that in addition to the prisoners already reported about 13,000 wounded captives will eventually be brought to Japan.

#### RUSSIAN ACTIVITY SOUTHWEST OF LIAO YANG.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—The bodies of Russian cavalry raiders actively operating southwest of Liao Yang are evidently desirous of harassing Japanese railroad communication and interrupting the transportation of Gen. Nogi's army to reinforce Field Marshal Oyama at Liao Yang.

#### RUSSIA AND THE ATTITUDE OF CHINA.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14, 2:15 a.m.—Russia's notification to the powers of the imminent danger of a general uprising in China as the result of a Japanese propaganda, which will threaten all foreign interests, coupled with a general protest against China's repeated violation of neutrality in connection with Japanese operations, is really a warning to the powers that Russia regards the situation as extremely serious. Any country that attempts to come to joint action by the powers for the protection of their interests. For herself, Russia considers that Japan has broken the pledge she made with respect to Secretary Hay's note at the beginning of the war, and further persistence in

#### COSSACKS REPULSED BY THE JAPANESE.

Tokio, Jan. 12.—Noon.—A report received yesterday at the imperial military headquarters from the Japanese army headquarters in Korea, says that the Japanese garrison at Hamhung recently defeated a detachment of Ninth Siberian Cossacks near Homan. The date of the engagement is not stated.

#### RAILWAY SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY RAIDERS.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—2 p.m.—Russian cavalry raiders have slightly damaged the railway between Anchanthien, Hanchang and Tschichio.

#### JAPANESE CAPTURE BRITISH STEAMER.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—The Japanese armed cruiser Tokiwa captured in the sea of Japan on January 11th the British steamer Roseley, laden with coal, consigned to Vladivostok.

#### RUSSIAN WARSHIPS SAIL FROM SUEZ.

Suez, Egypt, Jan. 12.—The division of the Russian second Pacific squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Botrovsky, sailed southwest this morning, presumably for Jibuti, French Somaliland.

#### RUSSIA DECLARES SHE WILL DEAL WITH CHINA.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The Associated Press learns authoritatively that Russia's note addressed to the powers relative to China breaking neutrality gives what Russia claims to be absolute proof of Chinese breaches. The three main complaints are:

#### ACTIVITY AMONG THE JAPANESE TROOPS.

Huanshan, Jan. 13.—Via Mukden, Jan. 14.—Chinese who have arrived here from Yinkow report that Field Marshal Oyama has been there since December inspecting troops.

#### GENERAL STOESSEL ARRIVES AT NAGASAKI.

Nagasaki, Jan. 14.—The Japanese transport Kamakuru, which left Port Dalny on January 11th, with General Stoesel and others on board, arrived here early this morning.

#### REPULSED WITH LOSS OF EIGHTY MEN.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—A report from the Japanese army headquarters on the Liaoting peninsula, received to-day, says: "A body of Russians, evidently from Gen. Mischevsky's cavalry brigade, with the second infantry regiment, railroad guards and guns recently surrounded the Japanese post at Niuchiatun, north of Yikow, on the line of communications, and assaulted it from the direction of Siantziatun. The Russians were repulsed with a loss of at least 80 men."

#### RUSSIA WILL YET BREAK POWER OF JAPAN.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—The Emperor has addressed the following to the army and navy: "Port Arthur has passed into the hands of the enemy. During eleven months fighting has been going on in its defence. More than seven months its noble defenders had been cut off from the rest of the world. Without any positive assurance of relief, they continued to fight, and did everything in their power to check their progress, the enemy, sparing neither life nor heart's blood to uphold the honor of the Russian people. Russia, with pride and admiration, followed each move in rank of coast. The whole world was astounded at their gallantry, but daily their ranks were thinned, their powers of resistance diminished, and under repeated attacks by the enemy they were obliged to give way."

#### THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EMPIRE

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New York, Jan. 13.—All of the amateur skating organizations of the country were brought into one body last night at the St. Nicholas rink at the annual meeting of the National Amateur Skating Association of the United States, says the Times. This means a membership of nearly 10,000 skaters. The more than tripling of the old membership was accomplished by the affiliating of the American Skating Association and the Clever Athletic Club, both of Chicago, former the governing body of the West, and the Canadian Skating Association.

#### FIGHT FOR PROPERTY.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 13.—Two complaints against the Montana Ore Purchasing Company and associated interests have been filed in the Federal court here by the Butte & Boston Mining Company for claims aggregating \$1,740,000. The complainants claim a four-fifths interest in ore extracted from the Michael Devitt mine by the Ore Purchasing Company.

#### NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Seattle Men Will Build Line From Valdez Through the Copper River Valley.

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No Further Report of Massacre on Upper Reaches of the Congo River.

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SURGEON TELLS OF THE MALTREATMENT OF JAPS

The Note Regarding Chinese Neutrality Has Not Yet Been Received by the British Foreign Office.

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—Dr. W. D. Eastlake, who has recently been in the Japanese Red Cross service, arrived today on the steamer Doric. He declared that the Russians are using gum-bomb bullets and that he had extracted a number of such missiles from wounded Japanese. Dr. Eastlake expressed great admiration for the hospital work of the Japanese surgeons and said that blood poisoning is rare.

TO FORESTALL ANY COMPLAINT BY JAPAN.

London, Jan. 14.—The Russian government's circular regarding Chinese neutrality has not reached the British foreign office, where to-day it was explained that the delay was doubtless due to the absence of Ambassador Benckendorff, such being usually submitted by him in person. Consequently the foreign office declined to give any expression of opinion concerning the matter.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, who has not received official notification of the circular, visited Foreign Secretary Lansdowne to-day, and they discussed the circular informally. Minister Hayashi, prior to his visit to Lord Lansdowne, said to the Associated Press: "The Japanese have not replied to innumerable allegations of breaches of neutrality coming from the Japanese, but not as indicating any immediate or serious action on Russia's part in the near future. The very fact that there has been haste in presenting the circular to Great Britain might indicate that this is the correct view."

Baron Hayashi thought, however, that it was in line with other charges and similar to the "yellow peril." He said Great Britain, the United States and Germany all have great interests in China, and being well represented there know from their own agents whether it was necessary to interfere.

At the German embassy, a discussion of the Russian report, which held a conference of opinion that China had had too severe a lesson in the Boxer movement to permit of another outbreak against Europeans.

At the Chinese legation it was asserted that China had maintained a neutrality such as few European powers could have kept in the face of most trying circumstances. "If China violated neutrality," it was asked, "what have Germany and France done? Why select China for such a formal charge to the powers? It is not a question of preference on the part of the Chinese population, for I assure you that a great mass of the Chinese do not favor the Japanese any more than they do the Russians."

TRIBUTE TO THE BRAVERY OF TROOPS.

Headquarters of the Japanese Army, Jan. 14, via Fusan.—Gen. Nogri, in addressing the army at a memorial service to-day presented a tribute to the soldiers who had fallen during the siege of Port Arthur. He said the splendid work of those who had given up their lives resulted in the successful capture of the fortress and he desired to share the honor with the spirits of those who died so bravely. The place of the memorial service was under the shadows of the hills where the life-blood of the heroes was spilled.

RUSSIAN WOUNDED IN TERRIBLE STATE.

Chefoo, Jan. 14.—(10 p. m.)—Midshipman Kilsorich, the Russian officer who commanded a launch which reached here from Port Arthur January 3rd, in commenting to-day on Gen. Nogri's report of January 12th, giving details of the Russian property which had been transferred to the Japanese after the surrender of the fortress, said that the 2,000,000 rounds of rifle ammunition mentioned as among the booty were unloaded shells, relics of the Chinese occupation of Port Arthur and not fitted for use.

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use in Russian rifles. The 83,970 large shells, the midshipman said, were also used by the Russian army. Midshipman Kilsorich further says that the locks of the 25,262 rifles turned over to the Japanese were broken before the fortress capitulated. Japanese who visited Port Arthur January 10th said that the Russian wounded were in a terrible state, owing to the neglect which could not be avoided when the Japanese entered Port Arthur. "Every day, possibly, they say, is now being done for their relief."

WOMAN AMONG RUSSIAN PRISONERS.

Tokio, Jan. 16.—11 a. m.—Gen. Nogri has written to the governor of Nagasaki the following:

"As to the treatment of Gen. Stoessel you will be advised by the Japanese authorities, but it may not be out of place to point out that Gen. Stoessel is neither a prisoner of war nor an enemy, but a foreign gentleman who meritoriously served his country and moreover, was captured during the war with us, and I am sure that you will sympathize with the Japanese in their desire to treat him as a gentleman."

It is reported that a Japanese gendarme discovered a woman, about 20 years old, disguised among the prisoners brought to Japan. She was much embarrassed at the exposure, and is now located in special quarters.

THANKS THE KAISER FOR DECORATIONS.

Nagasaki, Japan, Jan. 16.—Gen. Stoessel has cabled his thanks to the Emperor of Germany for the decoration placed upon him.

REPORTED TO BE ON WAY TO PARIS.

Naples, Italy, Jan. 16.—Lewis Nixon arrived here yesterday on board the Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland from New York. His name is not on the passenger list. Mr. Nixon is proceeding overland to Paris, where it is reported he will hold a conference with a Russian agent regarding torpedo boats.

NO FURTHER TROUBLE IS ANTICIPATED.

Tokio, Jan. 14th.—In military circles it is not anticipated that there will be any further difficulty with Lieut.-General Mischchenko's Cossack raiders. It is believed that the raiding parties will probably be limited to those which attacked Nepochwang and Nipchatium. There is evidence to indicate that the Cossacks were strongly supported. Steps were taken to block their retreat, but they evidently found it necessary to retire as swiftly as they came in order to avoid being captured. It is believed here that the Cossacks planned a dash on the railroad for purpose of intercepting Gen. Nogri's big guns, which were on way to the Shakhe river, and also to upset Field Marshal Oyama's transport communications.

ACTIVITY AMONG THE JAPANESE INCREASING.

Russian Headquarters, Huan Shan, Manchuria, Jan. 16.—The activity of the Japanese is increasing along the whole front. They are attacking villages between the lines and are opening artillery fire at night.

NOGI AND TROOPS ENTER PORT ARTHUR.

Headquarters of the third Japanese army at Port Arthur, Jan. 14, via Tientsin, Jan. 16.—The victorious Japanese army yesterday formally entered Port Arthur. Gen. Noji with his staff entered first through the old town, and took his stand in the public square of the town.

WRESTLER HURT.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Capt. Vissar and John Rooney each won a fall in their wrestling match here last night. Vissar dislocated his shoulder after the second fall and had to retire. The bout was contested under Græco-Roman rules. Vissar getting the first fall in eight minutes and twenty-two seconds. It took Rooney but one minute and forty-four seconds to win the second one of three-quarters Nelson.

RUSSIAN SHIPS IN FRENCH PORTS

PROTEST ENTERED BY THE JAPANESE PRESS

Claim France is Committing Breach of Neutrality in Allowing Warships to Remain at Madagascar.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—(Noon).—The French are sharply criticised for permitting the ships of the second Pacific squadron of the Russian navy to make a prolonged stay at Madagascar. Heretofore the Japanese press and people realize the secular position in which France was placed, were not disposed to judge her actions too severely, but the Asahi to-day says:

"It is no longer possible to overlook the French non-observance of neutrality, nor her disregard of the obligations of a neutral. The coaling of the ships of the second Pacific squadron in French ports has culminated in allowing (Barrade) Admiral Rojestvensky to remain ten or twelve days waiting reinforcements, and in the use of Madagascar as a base of operations against the Japanese fleet now reported in the Indian ocean."

"Such action is little less than hostile and if France is sincere in her protest of strict neutrality the ships of the second Pacific squadron ought long ago to have been sent away or disbanded."

"Further temporizing for the purpose of rendering assistance to the Russian vessels must be considered a serious breach of neutrality."

Ankles the Germans. Berlin, Jan. 14.—The Japanese government, taking cognizance of an impression that Germany has not observed strict neutrality, has sent a formal dispatch of thanks to the German government.

It expressed the conviction that Germany had fulfilled her duties as a neutral throughout the war with exactness, and especially during the recent events in the war zone.

COASTS OF ENGLAND AGAIN SWEEP BY GALE

Number of Vessels Wrecked and Several Sailors Drowned—Ships Seek Shelter From Storm.

London, Jan. 16.—A fierce gale last night caused much havoc along the coasts of the United Kingdom. There were a number of wrecks of small craft, resulting in loss of life. A French ketch was driven ashore on the Isle of Wight and her crew of five men were drowned.

ANOTHER FIGHT. Scouts and Natives Engaged in the Philippine Islands.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—Lieut. General Chaffee, chief of staff, to-day received a cable message from Copin, commanding the Philippine division at Manila, saying that he has received the following dispatch from Brigadier-General Carter, commanding the department of the Visayas, dated Tacloban, January 14th:

"Lieut. Avery, one Philippine scout and two natives employed were wounded in action at Dolores river on January 10th."

"Private Ausin, hospital corps, was wounded and nine constabulary were killed during the attack on the river on January 8th. Lieut. Avery and Private Austin arrived here to-day."

POLICEMEN ON TRIAL.

Two Constables Are Charged With Murder in the First Degree.

New York, Jan. 16.—Two policemen were put on trial for their lives, charged with murder in the first degree, in the court of general sessions in this city to-day.

Policeman Frank McLaughlin is charged with killing John Patterson, a negro night-watcher, on May 21st last. Eugene L. Devanna is charged with the murder of George Derrick, a holler-maker, in the Morris Heights hotel on November 2nd last. It is alleged that Devanna killed Derrick while intoxicated when the latter tried to justify him and lead him home.

BERGLARY AT LADYSMITH.

Cash Register Containing More Than \$400 Carried Away From the Pretoria Hotel.

Nanaimo, Jan. 16.—Some time between Saturday midnight and 5 o'clock on Sunday morning burglars broke into the Pretoria hotel, Ladysmith, and secured over \$400 in cash. Entrance was effected through a window in the barroom, and the cash register, weighing nearly 100 pounds, and containing over \$400, was carried off. The burglary was the most daring in the history of Ladysmith, and was evidently the work of professionals. The police have no clue, but the theory is that the railway bandits are generally accepted as the robbers have made for the American side in a small boat.

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DIED IN ASYLUM.

NO DOMINION EXHIBITION THIS YEAR

DECISION REACHED BY FEDERAL CABINET

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—There will be no Dominion exhibition in 1905. At a meeting of the cabinet on Saturday the question of holding a Dominion exhibition in 1905 was fully considered, and the above decision was arrived at.

EXCITING SCENE IN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

Session Was Temporarily Suspended—Premier Combes Sustained by a Majority of Ten.

Paris, Jan. 15.—(10.30 a.m.)—Premier Combes weathered another storm at a session of the Chamber of Deputies lasting until 1 o'clock this morning, and with a majority of 10 supporting the declaration of the ministers and approving the policy of the government. The result was reached after a debate in which there were frequent violent altercations.

It was expected that the session of the Chamber of Deputies to-day would culminate in the overthrow of the ministry, and the floors and galleries were packed by persons who wished to witness the final struggle.

The contest against the ministry has been slowly gaining ground. The principal elements of opposition were those combating the policy of Premier Combes for the separation of church and state; second, those denouncing the government's collection of secret information regarding the lives of army officers, and those complaining of the French press in its attitude of closing the three days' debate on the policy of the government was a vehement defence of his ministry and a denunciation of his detractors.

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POOL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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ESQUIMALT

Discussed at Report Sale.

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IMPORTANT PLANTS BEING CONSIDERED

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HOW MARKSMEN WON THE TROPHY

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An interesting story, containing many inside particulars of circumstances bearing on the memorable contest for the Palma trophy, which it will be remembered was captured at Bisley by the United States team under command of Oran C. Cullen the other day.

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CONCLUSION OF THE POULTRY SHOW

A FINE EXHIBITION OF FEATHERED PRIZES

Officers and Members of Association Are to Be Congratulated on Excellent Display.

In view of the splendid testimony to the excellence of the fourth annual show of the Victoria Poultry & Pet Stock Association, which was given by Judge C. G. Hinds through the Times the other day, it is unnecessary to comment further on the very successful exhibition of fowl which was closed on Saturday night.

The following is a list of the special prizes awarded: His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, a special prize for the largest and best exhibit of birds raised by any exhibitor.

1. President's cup, value \$50; presented by H. E. Levy to the person exhibiting the greatest number of birds scoring over 88% points; bred and raised by the exhibitor.

2. White Fowl, value \$25, to exhibitor of best White Fowl washed with Ivory soap; any age, sex or variety. Water fowl, turkeys, guinea or varieties not recognized by standard not included.

3. Partridge Wyandotte Club of America, value \$5, to the lady taking her first prize at the Victoria poultry show.

4. Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association—\$5 cash for largest display of birds scoring 88 or over.

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The satisfaction of having the washing done early in the day, and well done, belongs to every user of Sunlight Soap.

Pipe, value \$1.50, for highest scoring female Rock. Second, one year's subscription to Farm-Poultry Journal.

22. J. Colbert, plumber—\$2 cash for highest scoring Orplington, male. Won by Machin & Hodgson.

23. George Morrison, druggist—Box soap, value \$2, for highest scoring Orplington, female. Won by J. Wood.

24. Sylvester Feed Co.—One dozen condition powders, value \$3, for highest scoring male Minors. Second, one year's subscription to Reliable Poultry Journal.

25. J. H. Baker, boots and shoes—Goods, value \$1.50, for highest scoring female Minors. Won by M. Blackstock.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

J. W. McIntosh, former police court clerk at Vancouver, has been appointed chief of police of this city.

G. O. Hodge, superintendent for the B. C. Telephone Company, has arrived with ten men to commence the installation of their telephone system in this city.

Orders have definitely been placed for the two new furnaces to be added to the present battery of six furnaces at the Granby smelter.

A special meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses, held before it was broken up by E. H. Alexander, of the Hastings M.H.I. and built a cottage hospital at Rock Bay and place it at the disposal of the Victoria Order of Nurses.

Commissioner Coombs, who succeeds Mrs. H. Coombs, commander of the Salvation Army in Canada, arrived in the city on Saturday, accompanied by his youngest daughter, Capt. Daisy Coombs, and by Lieut.-Colonel Gaskin, general secretary for Canada.

R. E. Larmour, freight claims agent of the Pacific division of the C.P.R., since 1903, has been promoted to the office of freight claims agent for the Western and Central divisions of the road with headquarters at Winnipeg.

The year just passed has been a very light one as far as losses by fire in Vancouver are concerned, something over \$1,000 being the total loss above insurance of buildings and of contents.

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Pond's Extract The Old Family Doctor. CURES—Burns, scalds, bruises, cuts, sprains, wounds, lameness, rheumatism, neuralgia, toothache, sunburn, hemorrhoids, hemorrhages, and all ailments.

100 Dozen Xmas Ties at 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Just To Hand. Raincoats, Overcoats and Suits; 1-5 off For Cash. B. WILLIAMS & CO. Clothiers and Hatters. 68-70 Yates Street.

ROOSEVELT THE REFORMER.

It is announced from Washington that President Roosevelt is so convinced of the necessity for tariff revision that he will call a special session of Congress in the spring to consider the subject.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The result of the voting yesterday furnished a somewhat sensational finish for one of the timest municipal election campaigns ever held in the city of Victoria.

It was generally anticipated that Dr. Hall would be elected to the place vacated by Ald. Grahame. The doctor's long service on the school board had given him a standing and reputation before the people which were greatly in his favor in the new role aspired to.

The South Ward was not in so exacting a mood. It was satisfied with one change, but that one was also quite startling in its manifestations. Ald. Vines was the victim selected for the sacrifice.

In the Centre Ward the people appeared to be indifferent about the selection of representatives. The vote was small, which may be accounted for by the fact that, with one or two exceptions, the samples offered were not of the material of which good Aldermen are made.

On the whole, we believe the people of Victoria are to be congratulated on the result of the polling. The policy of past councils on various matters of great public importance has not been entirely satisfactory.

plated. It is now admitted, after the expenditure and waste of a considerable amount of money, that the programme was a mistake and the remedy an ineffective one.

In various other matters attempts were made to envelope the council in mystery and to keep the people in the dark. Public men, especially public men in what may be considered minor positions, take great delight in wrapping themselves in halos. There is a sufficient number of new men in the City Council to take the halo off, wrap it up, and keep it stowed away for all but absolutely necessary occasions.

The Property Owners' Association agitators for reforms in the school system failed to prosecute their cause to a conclusion at the polls. Hence men who have pursued a progressive educational policy in the past, and who are pledged to keep their hands upon the plough and not to turn back, have been elected to sit upon the School Board.

CANADA'S ADVANTAGES.

Canada is the best advertised country in the world to-day. We have Vice-President Fairbanks of the United States heaving at our doors and beseeching us to call a commission together in order that there may be a readjustment of trade relations.

"It must not be forgotten that Canada stands to-day upon the threshold of a period of unexampled prosperity. Valuable as her market is at present to the United States—and trade figures show that as a matter of fact Canada actually buys now from us something like \$30,000,000 more than all the other countries of North and South America combined—it will be definitely more valuable within the next decade or two.

Both are pouring into the country, and with their advent Canada will rapidly come to the front as one of the leading producing countries of the world. As she grows in population and wealth, she will require an increasing quantity of goods over and above what can be manufactured at home.

the most attractive fields in the world to outside manufacturers, and Canada will not need to go hunting for favorable trade arrangements. They will be thrust upon her from every side.

"There is a very obvious moral in this. Preferential trade between Great Britain and Canada is still in the experimental stage. The Englishman has not yet awakened to the fact that his one hope of commercial salvation is to build up a big trade with the colonies.

AN INTOLERANT BODY.

It has come to pass in these latter days that the individual who cherishes an implicit belief in the good intentions of his kind is buoyed up with the hope that the great nations shall practice the art of war no more.

It will be remembered that a few years ago the representatives of Great Britain and of the United States drafted an arbitration treaty that, if it had been adopted, would have compelled the two nations to submit all their differences to a disinterested tribunal for adjustment.

The world has progressed since the former attempt to interpose an effective obstacle to national impulses failed. Great Britain has concluded conventions with France and other nations founded upon terms similar to those proposed to the United States.

"On the other side we are confronted with the well-taken objections of Japan that the squadrons of Rojostevsky are receiving unjustifiable favors from France in being permitted practically to make a base of one of the ports of Madagascar. Nor has the French republic been the only sinner during the campaign against the laws which are supposed to be binding upon neutrals.

A POLITICAL WEAKLING.

We are informed with a gravity commensurate with the occasion that the report that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Vice-President Fairbanks of the United States are to meet after the present session of the Dominion Parliament comes to an end for the purpose of discussing the relations between the republic and the Dominion has excited the gravest apprehensions in the minds of Canadians who have the best interests of the country at heart.

Now that the ring of skates is heard within the environs of Victoria and the first fall of snow for a very long time lies upon the streets, it has been suggested that it is up to the Tourist Association to hold a winter carnival.

RUSSIA'S GAME.

It is quite apparent that the really critical time, from an international standpoint, in the war between Japan and Russia is approaching. Russian statesmen are protesting that China is not properly enforcing her neutrality obligations. They intimate that they propose to ignore the limitations set by the powers upon the belligerents in the matter of the establishment of a recognized neutral zone unless something be done to compel China to maintain her position as a neutral.

The chair was occupied by John Nelson, and one of the first matters discussed was the selection of leaders. On motion of A. B. McNeill, seconded by R. A. Ritchie, it was agreed that Messrs. Nelson and Pullen would lead the opposing parties.

Government—Jno. Nelson, Esqumalt; Northcot, Albert; Clement, the Islands; R. B. Jones, Victoria; John Brown, Nanaimo; O. E. Finch, Sheema; S. Talbot, Rossland; Lampshire, Atlin; Cromer, Cowichan.

Chancellor of Exchequer Does Not Hold Out Any Hope of a Change. London, Jan. 18.—Replying to-day to an influential deputation of representatives of the sugar using industries, who complained that the sugar tax is highly injurious to their trades, Chancellor of the Exchequer Austen Chamberlain defended the fairness of the tax.

law will be observed only in favor of nations that possess the power to compel such observance. That is the lesson of the war, apparently. Probably that is the reason Great Britain is disposed to attach so little importance to the possession of coaling stations.

Some weeks ago it was reported in almost every newspaper published on this continent that the first of the great ocean liners to be equipped with turbine engines had proved a failure upon her trial trip.

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SPOKANE MEN FIGHT OVER KOOTENAY COAL.

Andrew Hackett Ordered by the Court to Render an Account of Transactions.

Andrew Hackett, whose name has been so prominently identified with coal prospecting in Southeast Kootenay, has had judgment given against him in Judge Kennan's court at Spokane in an action brought against him by Fitch & Belden.

The case was one which threw considerable light upon the way in which prospecting was carried on in those districts. Mr. Hackett was defended by Judge Prather, who is well known in Victoria on account of his connection with the Electric Light Company.

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PUPILS MARCHED OUT OF BURNING SCHOOL.

Fire in Toronto Caused Damage Estimated at \$12,000—Mr. Foss Makes Plea for Reciprocity.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The Phoenix street school was partially destroyed by fire this morning. The pupils were well trained in fire drill and marched out without injury. The loss is placed at \$12,000.

Trade Relations. Toronto, Jan. 13.—Eugene Foss, of Boston, in an address to the members of the Empire club, made a strong plea for reciprocity between the United States and Canada. Protection, he said, was not meant as a permanent trade policy for any country, but rather as a temporary expedient to build up infant industries until they were in a position to meet world-wide competition.

Suicide. Toronto, Jan. 13.—Claude Bullis, a drug clerk employed by A. E. Walton at Queen street east, committed suicide by taking prussic acid at an early hour this morning. Bullis came to Toronto from Iroquois, where his parents live.

Ran Down by Train. Dutton, Ont., Jan. 13.—Archibald Carmichael and Duncan McArthur were struck by a Michigan Central west-bound express at a crossing here yesterday and instantly killed.

New Treasurer. Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—At a meeting of the Winnipeg city council to-day H. Thompson, assistant to City Clerk Brown, was appointed city treasurer.

LIST OF PROMOTIONS IN FIFTH REGIMENT.

Order Issued by Lt.-Col. Hall, Commanding Officer—Recruits Posted to Companies.

Regimental orders issued last week by Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding Fifth Regiment, include several announcements of special importance. The orders follow:

The following extract from G. O. 105, Nov. 2, 1904, is published for information: The following warrant officer of the permanent force has been granted a medal for long service and good conduct: No. 1028, Master Gunner A. Mutchay, Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery.

Leave of absence has been granted to Capt. G. F. Langley, quartermaster, for six months, commencing Nov. 28th, 1904. During Capt. Langley's absence, Capt. D. E. McCannan will perform the duties of quartermaster in addition to his other duties.

The following men having been attested will be taken on the strength from the date hereafter mentioned, and will assume the regimental number opposite his name: No. 107, Gr. Harry Matthews, Jan. 11th, \$150 bonus, and in many instances as high as \$300 and \$400, and besides that everyone must pay to the British Columbia government \$100 license.

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RECEIVED WITH SALUTE.

West Point, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Major-General Sir Thomas Fraser, of the British army, visited West Point to-day. The academy detachment of escort. A salute was given in his honor.

MURDERER HANGED. Lexington, Ky., Jan. 13.—J. W. Bess, who murdered Martha McQueen Martin two years ago, was hanged here to-day.

TO STARVE IS A FATALITY.—The dieting to stop eating because you have indigestion has long since been exploded. Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets introduced a new era in the treatment of stomach troubles. It has proved that one may eat his fill of anything, and everything be retained and one tablet taken after the meal will aid the stomach in doing its work. 60 in a box, 35 cents—24.

ADJOURNED TUESDAY.

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The assessment of close of its sitting adjourned until Tuesday representatives appearing on Friday.

Mr. Fisher said the letter to the effect given from January his work was practically not being completed. He commented on the order to save work done by the farmers in their crops.

Mr. Fisher said probably led to an impression he had conversation with the opinion that if gathered in when that a mutual arrangement to the instance did not crops.

Mr. Fisher said showed himself with the principle of the case of though his crop was arrived to make by agreement to fixing \$1,000.

With reference to small farmers, Mr. Fisher favored the old act. He favored under it, in his district would not oppose an opinion in this way. Mr. Fisher said it was possible to fix up making the assessment required to do J. K. Woodford, district, said that growing crops.

Mr. Buntzen said to meet that difficulty. Further he had some regard to the minority viewpoint in general. Incidentally Mr. growing imports industry. Farmers there would be Agassiz district, being \$12 an acre.

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CELEBRATIONS OF INDIANS UP NORTH
BIG GATHERINGS AT DIFFERENT STATIONS
The Natives Donned Their War Paint and Feathers and Wore Grotesque Costumes.

SPEAKS HIGHLY OF LOCAL SHOW
JUDGE COMMENTS ON POULTRY EXHIBITION
Says It Is Best Balanced He Has Seen in His Tour of the Pacific Coast.

QUICK BROS. 3rd, S. Y. Wootton. Cockerel, 1st, Machin & Hodgson; 2nd, H. O. Allen. Hen, 1st, Jas. Wood; 2nd, Quick Bros. 3rd, Jas. Wood. Pullet, 1st and 2nd, Jas. Wood; 3rd, H. Reid.

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Local News

Referring to the seal skins recently brought south from English Bay on the schooner Oscar and Lattie, it has been stated that D. Boscowitz was the consignee. What should have been said in this connection was that the skins were only shipped in care of D. Boscowitz.

Dr. Mitchell, at one time surgeon on one of the Empress liners, died at the Jubilee hospital on Friday afternoon. Owing to ill health the deceased had been engaged in the mining business. He was a native of England.

On Wednesday evening next an interesting lecture will be delivered by Rev. A. Ewing on "A Trip to the Far East" at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, Broad street. His remarks are to be illustrated by 100 views of Japan and China. This is one of the regular series and should be most instructive and entertaining.

No. 4 company, Fifth Regiment, has called a special meeting for Wednesday, January 18th, to consider special matters of business relating both to the company itself and to the regiment at large. The meeting will commence at 8 p.m. and the attendance of every man of the company is specially urged.

The regular weekly gallery shoot of members of the High school cadet corps took place on Saturday at the drill hall. Some of the best scores follow: Bamford, 23; Walters, 21; Kent, 19; Sears, 17; Angus, 16; King, 16; Rolin, 15; Pearce, 15; Robson, 15; Eldford, 15; Spencer, 15; Macrae, 15; Beckwith, 15; Whitcliff, 14; Norris, 13; McGregor, 13, and Boyd, 13.

The big masquerade ball under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the O.U.W. hall on Sunday afternoon on Thursday next promises to be an exceptionally successful affair. An energetic committee has perfected the most elaborate preparations, in which there is every requisite to insure the success of the ball. The grand march will commence at 9 o'clock.

Donations to the Refuge Home at Christmas are thankfully acknowledged from the following: Mrs. Siddall, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Munnie, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. D. Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. Shakespear, Mrs. Penzance, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. C. Todd, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mr. Mowat, Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Mrs. Seaton, A. Friend, Mrs. Weston, Mrs. Spofford and Mrs. Brayshaw.

The post office department has arranged for the performance of three round trips with mails between Telegraph Creek and Wrangal, Alaska, for the present winter. Advice as to the effect that the first trip will have on the 15th inst., and with good weather should arrive at Wrangal within five days. Letters for Telegraph Creek and interior points will be sent by the steamer Cottage City, leaving here on the 17th inst., which should reach Wrangal in time to connect with the mail carrier before his return to Telegraph Creek. The dates of dispatch in February and March will be notified in the Victoria P. O. Guide for those months.

Last Thursday evening in Semple's hall the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society held one of their business meetings, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, A. R. Colby; vice-president, Miss J. Leigh; secretary, C. W. Hollver; assistant secretary, Miss H. Penketh; treasurer, A. W. Semple; property man, C. W. Hollver; property mistress, Mrs. A. R. Colby; business manager, A. W. Semple. Rehearsals for the next play will shortly be held at Semple's hall. The play to be staged is "The Girl in the Green Dress," by G. W. Andrews, who was also elected as assistant stage manager. Committees were also appointed to make arrangements for their third annual masquerade ball, which will be held on Friday, February 3rd.

District Orange Lodge, No. 2, held their annual meeting and election of officers last Tuesday night in the A. O. U. W. hall. The result of the election was as follows: District master, W. O. Wallace; deputy master, William Martin; chaplain, Isaac Walsh; recording secretary, E. C. B. Bagshaw; financial secretary, W. G. McNaughton, and treasurer, W. J. Clark. It was decided to make every effort to have the next Twelfth of July celebration held in Victoria. The grand lodge meeting to be held in June, but in view of the fact that the celebration was held in Vancouver last year and New Westminster the year before, it is fully expected that the event will be held here this year. Five or six hundred visiting Orangemen from the American side will, it is thought, be on hand to help celebrate the day.

In view of the great interest taken in Victoria in the policy of the Admiralty, it is interesting to know that Mr. Lugrin has had in hand for several months, and now well advanced towards completion, a book entitled "An Imperial Frontier" in which he will present a statement of facts, together with an argument, showing the relations of British Columbia to the great trade now being built up on the North Pacific coast, as well as the importance of our coast as a strategic frontier. In Mr. Lugrin's opinion the Pacific ocean is about to become the greatest centre of human activity, and the vast resources of Canada will be drawn upon to an unlimited extent to supply the requirements of commerce. He will present facts showing that for the trade of the greater portion of the North American continent, the shortest and best route to the Orient is via British Columbia seaports, and that the same is true of business between western Europe and eastern Asia. The book is to be illustrated by photos and maps. He expects to have it ready for the press in about three months.

The third social evening will be held in St. Barnabas school room on Tuesday next, 17th inst., at 8 o'clock. All friends cordially invited.

The members of the newly elected city council took the formal oath of office on Saturday. The ceremony took place before Mr. Justice Martin.

Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B. D., of New Westminster, president of the British Columbia conference of the Methodist church, will preach in Centennial Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening.

At Tuesday evening's meeting of the board of management of the James Bay Athletic Association, applications for membership were received from Messrs. A. J. Robertson, W. N. Mearns and R. C. Hall. They were declared elected.

It is likely that a delegation may be over from Delta to protest against the Assessment Act. A meeting has been called by John Oliver, M.P.P., to discuss the subject of the act. It is quite likely that the meeting will appoint a delegation to come to Victoria.

The returns from the Victoria mine, near Ladysmith, working under the management of Henry Cecil, of the Vancouver Island Exploration & Development Company, are most gratifying. A shipment to the Tye smelter of eleven tons has given \$26.49 in ore values per ton.

The examination for engineers' certificates under the provincial act are now in progress in the parliament building. About forty candidates are being examined. Chief Inspector Peck, of New Westminster, St. James district inspector, and M. Madigan, of Vancouver, are in charge of the examination.

The statement that Victor Calgarran, who committed suicide near the Claxton cannery on the Skeena river, was employed at the cannery at the time of his death, is incorrect. The deceased had only been employed as watchman at the cannery during the fishing season. Since that time he had lived in the vicinity of the cannery.

S. Barlett will address public meetings in the O.U.W. hall on Sunday afternoon at 8.30 and in the evening at 8.30. Subject, the "Awful Crisis Before Us," and the best wine kept till the last to make glad the discouraged hearts of the requisite assembly. Come out and hear the would-be missionary tell you what God hath showed him.

At noon Thursday all the girls employed at M. E. Smith's candy factory quit work. The girls say there is no arrangement for heating the room in which they work, and that they have on several occasions since the cold weather set in complained on this score, but without avail. Yesterday the climax was reached, when all hands walked out and gave notice that they would not return unless reasonable accommodation is provided.

On Wednesday evening, the 18th inst., the annual dinner of the Vancouver Island Flockmasters' Association will be held at Duncan's. It will take place at the Quamichan hall, commencing at 8 o'clock, and promises to be most successful. The Hon. R. G. Tatlow, W. J. R. Anderson, R. M. Palmer, United States Consul Smith, W. A. Smith, W. B. Smith and W. J. Evans, M. P. are among those who have been invited to attend.

M. R. Smith & Co., writing with reference to the item appearing in Friday evening's Times that the heating arrangements in the candy factory had quit work owing to the lack of heating arrangements, contradict it. The firm, in referring to the item, say: "It does us a great injustice, as there have been no complaints about the heating arrangements, but the factory is closed down temporarily for repairs. We are happy to say the most cordial relations exist between us and our employees."

Victoria lovers of music will have an opportunity on Tuesday evening to hear Madame Mantell, the great mezzo-soprano, and her supporting company. Mantell is regarded as one of the greatest of living singers. For seven years she was one of the principals and a favorite of the Grand Opera House, New York. Other principal members of Mr. Cordon's organization are Mme. Helene Nohel, the dramatic soprano, and Signor Archiberti, the baritone, two so former favorites with the Metropolitan forces. The company is under the management of J. Saunders Gordon.

At a meeting of the executive of the Seamen's Association held on the 13th inst., the following resolution was passed: "Resolved, that this executive recognizes the importance of the question of anchorage in Esquimalt harbor, and that it will endeavor to have the Esquimalt Liberal Association at their meeting of the 6th inst.; therefore this executive endorses the resolution passed by the Esquimalt executive by a unanimous vote, and that the secretary be instructed to forward copies of this resolution to Ralph Smith, Esq., M. P., the press, the Victoria Board of Trade and the different Liberal associations." The meeting also passed a resolution opposing a close season for salmon catching, as a step detrimental to Victoria's interests.

Court No. 1000 Light held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday evening, the occasion being the installation of the officers of the local court by the D.O.R. and high court officers, as follows: D.O. B. McInch, of New Westminster; D.S.C.R., Bro. H. Walker, D.E.C.R., Bro. E. J. Salmon; D.S.W., Bro. H. L. Salmon; D.J.W., Bro. W. McKay; D.S. B., Bro. P. R. Smith; D.T., Bro. S. A. Bay; D.P., Bro. P. I. James. The following are the newly elected officers of the court: P.C.R., S. L. Redgrave; C.R., Thos. Deakin; S.C.R., C. R. Sanders; Treasurer, W. P. Smith; Secretary, W. F. Fullerton; S.W., E. H. Henly; J.W. C. Pointer; S.B., J. Levy; J.B., J. Trace; Surgeon, Dr. Jos. Gibbs; Trustee, J. Trace. After the close of the court the members and visitors sat down to a sumptuous banquet in honor of the D.O.R., when songs, toasts and sentiment were indulged in and a very pleasant time held.

Magistrate Hall Thursday fined the Saunders Grocery Company \$100 for supplying Jumbo, a West Coast Indian, with intoxicants.

The Pacific Club will hold its annual general meeting at the club rooms, Fort street, on Tuesday, January 17th, at 8 p. m.

In Chambers on Monday application was heard in Turner vs. Olanoff et al. This was a formal application in connection with certain lots being wrongfully described in a will. The order was made, F. Welby Solomon appeared for plaintiff, and H. Dallas Helmecken for the executors. There will be no further chambers sittings until Thursday next.

Arrangements are being made by about eleven families living at Esquimalt to leave for England on Friday evening. The services of most of the mechanics employed at the factory have been dispensed with, and it is these men who intend leaving for the Old Country on the day mentioned. They will travel by special car right through to St. John, N. B., taking steamer from that city.

The search in the vicinity of Nanaimo for two children, May Jones, of Nanaimo, and Emily Rogers, of Northfield, lost last Tuesday, is being prosecuted with the utmost vigor. The children are 3 and 5 years of age respectively, and have been traced as far as Southfield. One hundred men are on the search to-day working methodically. No hope is entertained that the children will be found alive.

The sweeper which the tramway company had out on Friday cleaning its tracks of snow started a number of horses, a team belonging to Mrs. McCrae, Cedar Hill road, which had been left standing outside Chaloner & Mitchell's store, being among the number. They took fright and rushed down Government street, a pretty lively scene until a telephone post in front of Wellers' stopped the mad rush. Comparatively little damage was done.

The special services being held in the Metropolitan Methodist church continue to grow in interest. The participation of the services is brightened by the presence of the Sunday school orchestra under the leadership of A. Parfitt, and pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, is conducting the services and is anxious to have every available seat occupied. Next week, if the attendance continues to increase, it is the intention to move into the main auditorium, where the greater number can be accommodated.

Steamer Queen sailed for the Golden Gate Friday evening, carrying among her passengers for this city P. Boulay and daughter, A. E. Ormond, Mrs. G. R. Lyman, William Reardon, J. H. West and wife, Mrs. H. M. Swale, H. J. Gobille, D. Corrivau, Jr., and Miss B. Hall. At this season of the year travel southward on the steamers of this line greatly exceeds that on the northward trips. The City of Pudsa, for instance, which arrived Thursday from San Francisco, had a total number of 81 passengers.

The service in the Metropolitan Methodist church on Sunday was one of unusual interest. A large congregation listened with rapt attention to a powerful sermon delivered by the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, from the text "God is love." The musical portion of the service added greatly to the interest, solos being rendered by Mrs. Burnett, Miss McCrossan and G. Hicks, and a duet by Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. G. Hicks. The entire congregation joined in the choruses. The services are to be continued each evening this week in the main auditorium, and will be conducted by the pastor.

Skating was enjoyed by local enthusiasts at Colwood on Wednesday and Thursday, but the snowstorm, which set in this morning, will interfere with the sport. For this reason no special trains are being run by the E. & N. to-day. It is understood that if the snow ceases within a reasonable time, and the old spell continues, immediate steps will be taken towards clearing the ice on the ranging excursions. Yesterday there were two special trains, one leaving the local depot at 1.30 o'clock with about 150 and the other at 7 o'clock carrying 200 passengers. Everyone spent a thoroughly pleasant time, the ice being in excellent condition.

The manager of the Seamen's Institute thankfully acknowledges the receipt of the result of the election held on December, 1904, from the following: Mrs. B. B. McMillin, Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Mrs. Wm. Atkins, Mrs. R. Maynard, Mr. Isaac Walsh, J. C. Mackay, E. Burnett, Mrs. A. N. Ogley, the N. O. Navy League (Victoria-Esquimalt branch), B. C. Barber Bros. (colored papers for decorations), the Times and Colonist daily papers, the local weekly paper The Week, and the Victoria Mail and Baily Christmas decorations. Cash donations, during the past month, from the following are also gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Wm. Atkins, Mrs. F. Reade and Wm. Fernie.

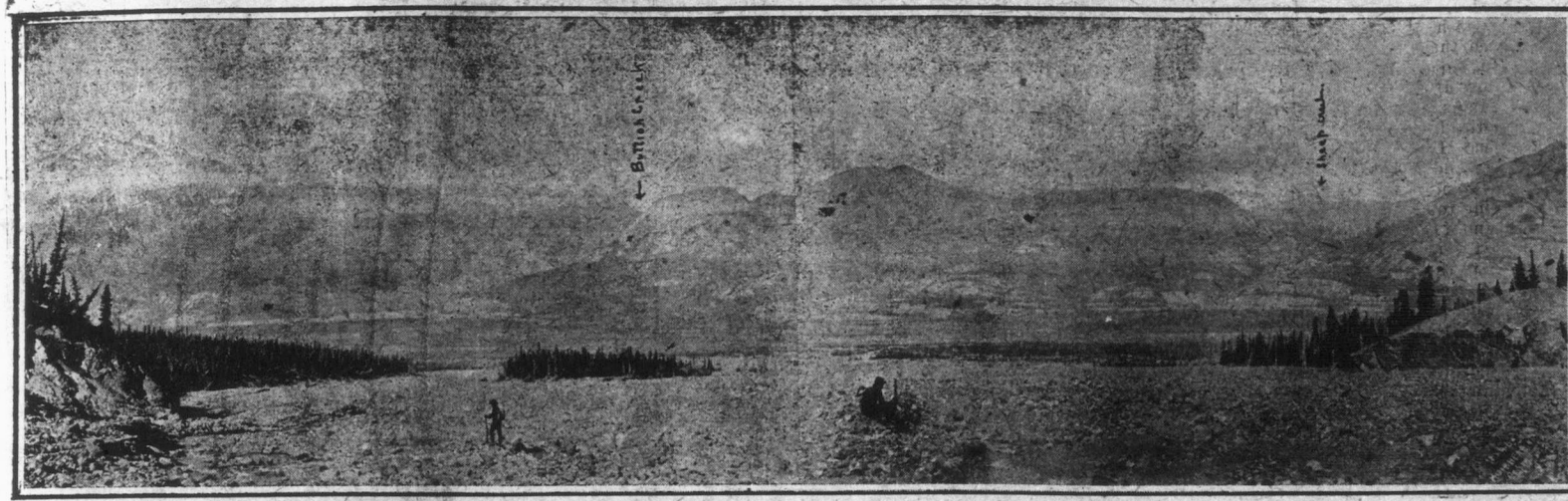
The Y. M. C. A. handball tournaments are progressing apace. Already the first rounds of both singles and doubles is practically completed, there remaining but a few matches to be contested. As soon as these have taken place the semi-finals will be arranged and, therefore, it is requested that those having to play will do so as soon as possible. The latest results follow: W. B. Fisher beat E. Jones, 21-14, 21-16; McInch beat W. B. Fisher, 21-15, 21-19; McInch beat J. H. Willis, 21-10, 21-9. The first mentioned probably was the finest exhibition. Mr. Fisher's experience, however, finally won out, but not before he had successfully had a double fight. Some good doubles are anticipated this week.

About twenty-eight members of Victoria, Dominion and Columbia I. O. O. F. lodges left for Nanaimo on Saturday last in order to put on some degree work at a joint meeting of the Black Diamond and Centennial lodges held at the Coal City that evening. They were tendered a most cordial reception, and after a demonstration, given seats of honor at a banquet in celebration of the occasion. Some 150 enjoyed the delicacies provided.

The impromptu programme of speeches, musical selections, etc., which followed the Victoria's return today, having spent a very pleasant time.

William Fraser, aged 84 years, who for nearly 60 years has been a resident of this province, was found dead Sunday in his cabin, near Gordon Head, by a neighbor who had called to visit him. It is supposed that the man died from old age. An inquest, however, will be held to-morrow afternoon to investigate the circumstances of the death. Fraser was a native of Scotland. He had been a member of the 42nd Highlanders, the famous Black Watch, and had served in the Crimea. He came to British Columbia in 1849, coming over by the H.M.S. vessel commanded by Capt. Gordon, who had interested a number of Scotch settlers to come to this country. Ever since that time the deceased has lived about Victoria working as a farm laborer. Of late years he has found a small lot of land on which he has been growing a native of Scotland. He had been a member of the 42nd Highlanders, the famous Black Watch, and had served in the Crimea. 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# THE LATEST GOLD FIELD



PANORAMA—BULLION RANGE OF MOUNTAINS.

L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

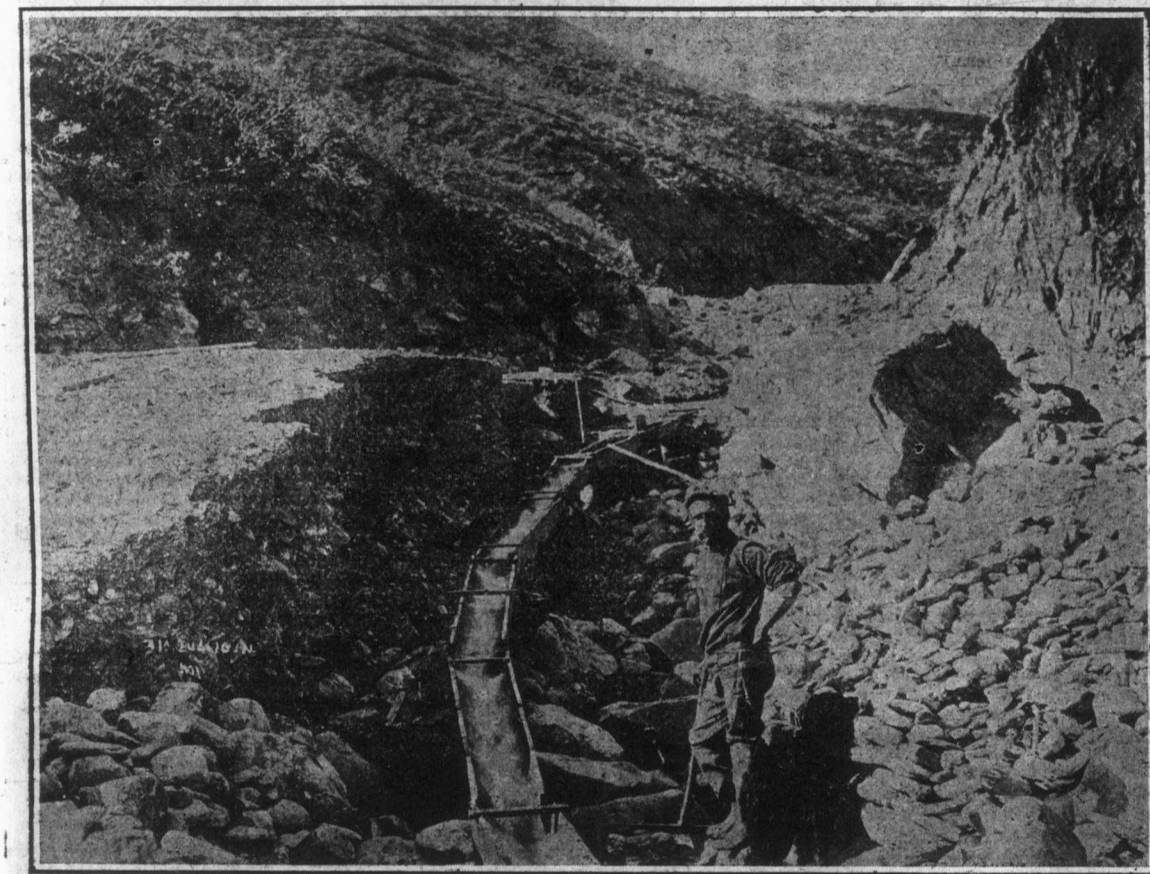
L. P. Muirhead, who recently returned from the Alaska country in the recently created Klunne division, where he has been mining and doing assessment work on properties on Ruby and Bullion creeks, has a strong abiding faith in the future of this extensive northern district. He admits that the output of gold last year was not what might be called large, but this he attributes to the fact that the miners there own so many properties that they have been engaged mostly in assessment work. But the country as a gold producer is merely in its infancy, with many of its creeks not yet prospected. Last year there were between four

hundred and five hundred miners, not counting the transient stampedeers, in the district, and the prospects pointed to a much larger population next season. They have the advantage of a splendid government road to Bullion, about a hundred and ninety miles from White Horse. The exact location of the gold fields is due west by a little north from White Horse. The principal creeks are Burwash, which was stamped last June, Bullion, Sheep, Ruby and Fourth of July.

The gold, Mr. Muirhead says, is of excellent quality, running from \$17.25 to \$18.25 per ounce. The largest piece of gold extracted was 8 ounces, 12 dwts.,

the discoverer being Mr. Macdonald, and the location, sixteen miles below on Bullion. The outlook for next season is very bright, and it is expected that the appliances which were utilized last year will be replaced by modern machinery. Mr. Breeze intends installing an hydraulic plant on Bullion, and other owners will have no stone unturned in their search for the yellow treasure. But there is another feature of this Klunne country aside from its gold-bearing characteristics. This is its agricultural possibilities, which Mr. Muirhead describes as immense, the Kiskawulsh valley on the south side of the Marshall Range being particularly well adapted for this in-

dustry. It is fifty square miles or thereabouts in area and the climate is fine. Wild flax grows there, and it is said that where this is grown oats and rye will ripen. Hay was put up last season, one party having taken in a rake and mower for the purpose. The Klunne mining district includes the Alaska, Bullion, Kuskwulsh, Burwash and other regions. Mr. Muirhead expects that the White Pass Company will operate a stage service from White Horse to these gold fields next year. They have a number of new wagons, while there are good road houses all the way along the route. He intends to return to his properties early in the spring.



THIRTY-ONE ABOVE ON BULLION CREEK—ACTIVE OPERATIONS.

L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

the history of the company. The coke production also exceeded that of former years, amounting to 244,000 tons. The tonnage by years has been as follows:

Year	Coal	Coke
1904	574,000	224,000
1903	661,118	107,630
1902	441,336	180,777
1901	425,457	125,083
1900	220,468	84,468

In the year 1904 there were 581,000 tons of the output of coal consumed in Canada as compared with 498,169 tons in 1903. The coke consumed in Canada in 1904 was 138,000 tons, while in 1903 there were 136,649 tons used.

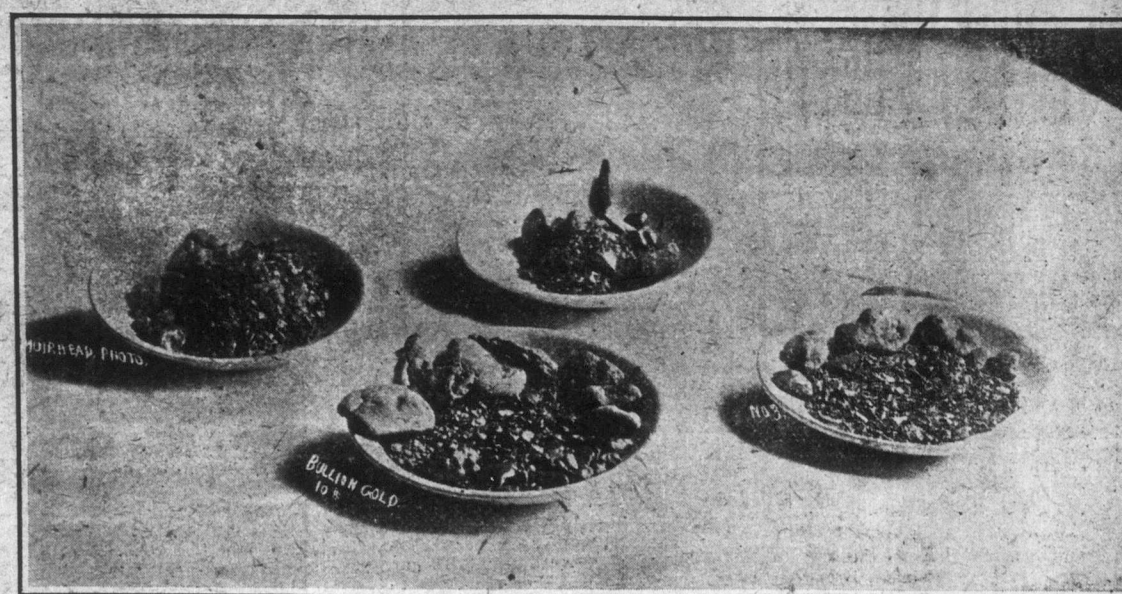
The exports of coal were practically the same for the two years. In 1904 it was 153,000 tons, and in 1903 there were 162,951 tons exported. The coke the past year marked a very large increase in exports, however. While in 1903 there were 106,000 tons exported, there were in 1904 only 31,089 tons.

## PALACE OF PEACE.

Site Selected by Government of the Netherlands a Few Miles From The Hague.

The Hague, Jan. 14.—The government of the Netherlands has finally selected the military parade grounds near the Bosch as the site for Andrew Carnegie's palace of peace. The selection must be approved by the states-general.

The Bosch (or woods) is a park nearly two miles long, a short distance out of The Hague. It abounds in forest trees. At the end of the park is the palace known as the Huis Ten Bosch (the house in the woods), built in 1647. It contains many old and valuable paintings.



TEN POUNDS OF COARSE GOLD FROM ONE PROPERTY ON BULLION CREEK.

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## CATCHING SNAKES.

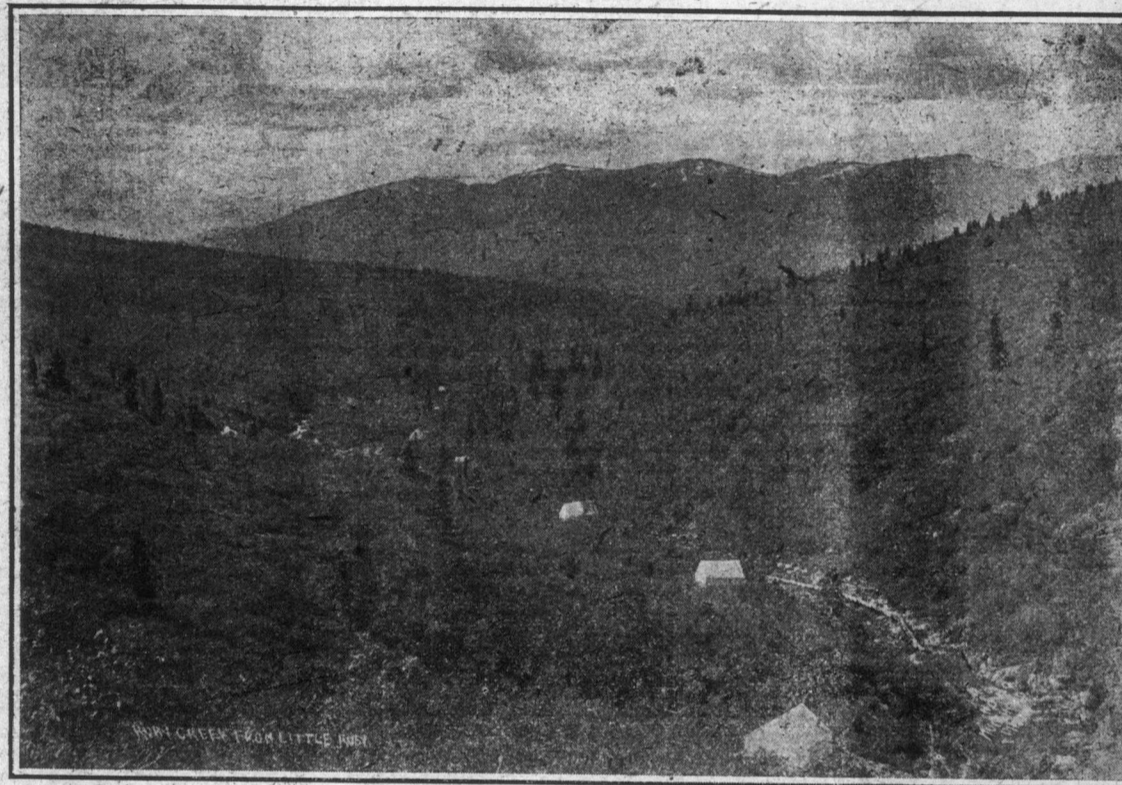
"How do we catch live snakes?" echoed the dealer in response to the query. "Oh, it's easy enough, when you know how. In the first place, you have to be absolutely fearless of snakes. A person who is without fear can handle even deadly reptiles without danger. Most snakes, you know, attempt to escape when approached by a human being. That's where the catcher gets in his work. He will make a detour and head off the fleeing reptile, which then comes to a stop and retreats in another direction. Another detour again starts

## VALE, EVANGELINE.

Still stands the forest primeval, but under British Columbia pines, on lone country roads, in city parks, and along the sandy stretches of the seashore no longer with out boys and girls will the gentle Evangeline wander. She, the erstwhile saint of our deepest devotion, is by rude hands pulled from her pedestal and sent back to the effete East, and

learn to divide every proper name into syllables and scan each limping line, analyze the character of the impossible Gabriel, reproduce the notes of the mocking bird, and scientifically account for the red dew of the morning.

O "Literature," many are the crimes that are committed in thy name! But over the hills of the morning I see two more sad figures moving to join the ghostly crew—the gentle Ella and his beloved Bridget. Yes; Charles and Mary Lamb are also exiled. And here I drop a real tear; their message was ever kindly, and it rang true. We could



LOOKING DOWN RUBY CREEK FROM THIRTY-EIGHT ABOVE.

L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

This creek produced between 4,000 and 5,000 ounces this last season. Assay value (Government) per ounce, \$17.25.

the snake on a different course, and these tactics are followed until the reptile comes to a bewildered pause. Then the catcher will take out his handkerchief. This he waves at arm's length to attract the snake's attention, and all the time he is edging up closer until he is right over the snake, which is concentrating all its attention on the flapping handkerchief. A quick movement enables the catcher to grasp the reptile back of the head, and an expert will have it subdued and under his control with a few gentle strokes. Black snakes, bull snakes, pine snakes, and other less venomous varieties are captured that way without difficulty. Philadelphia Record.

How Evangeline, yours the lesson of a sycophant world? While you were "authorized" no hand brave enough to cast a stone, and now, as you lead that dishonored trek, every puny voice is full of criticism. One Vancouver pedagogue thinks you unparliamentary, another finds you inartistic, and by a standing vote the whole convention declares you stale, flat and unprofitable.

Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, sends the following report on patents issued recently to British Columbia inventors:

## PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

A Canadian patent was forwarded last week to C. C. McKenzie, of White Horse, Yukon Territory, which was granted on his invention of a double-faced phonograph record. The inventor's object has been to reduce the number of phonograph discs which require to be kept by cementing or securing the records together in pairs so that each disc has a record impressed on each face, both back and front.

W. Lawrence, baker, of Vancouver, is the inventor of an improved means for facilitating the charging and discharging of bread, etc., into an oven, on which he has recently received a Canadian patent.

W. Leek, heating engineer, of Pender street, Vancouver, is the inventor of an improvement in the construction of radiators wherein steam is used, although arrangements in those using hot water, and is directed to the improvement of the heating efficiency by discharging the air from the surface of the radiator as soon as heated. This is done by providing the adjacent sides of the several loops or sections with a series of cross corrugations inclined upward from the back toward the front, which corrugations when the sections are put together form a series of inclined passages between the sections through which the external air will pass from back to front instead of going straight up. These corrugations have also the effect of improving the circulation of the steam within the sections.

Did Henry Wadsworth, we wonder, ever dream that his love-tale would form a sort of clerical clotheshorse on which to hang "references" to the penitent Peter, and young Ishmael wandering with Hagar, and the tired old Prophet descending from Sinai, and shipwrecked Paul, and the Prodigal hobnobbing with the Foolish Virgin, and Jacob's angels so strangely forgetful of the use of their wings?

Longfellow hadn't much saving sense of humor, but methinks even he from his diaphanous clend must smile a smile to see his hasty tale taken so seriously that at the bidding of a "department" a whole British colony for a decade should

# MINING NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Within about eight miles of Ladysmith, at Haslam creek, the Wellington Colliery Company is developing a new coal mining camp. Work has been going on to some extent for several months, and a slope has been driven about 350 yards in the direction of the coal measures. This mine will be near the railway connecting Ladysmith and Extension, being only about two miles from the latter coal mines. Coal has been known to exist there for a long time. It is practically the same as the Extension coal, and the works are being opened in order to supplement that supply.

## Rossland's Prosperity.

A review of the Rossland mining for the year 1904 places that camp as the leader in point of payroll in Canada. It is also believed to be the largest on the American continent west of Butte. The Rossland Miner reviewing the year says: "The amounts expended by the mines are divided into two headings, one embracing the sums distributed among the mine and mill workers and the other including the salaries paid to managers and office staffs. Following are the figures for the year: Le Roi, \$306,591.36; Centre Star, \$177,174.87; War Eagle, \$132,042.14; Le Roi No. 2, \$100,000; Spitz, \$20,400; Kootenay, \$16,410.00; Jumbo (estimated), \$30,000; Cliff (estimated), \$12,000; Velvet-Portland, \$18,526; I. X. L., \$3,000; White Bear, \$60,000; Iron Mask, \$100; Rossland View, \$250; Golden Rule, \$250; Gold King, \$4,000; Evening-Burka, \$3,000; Cariboo, \$4,000; small mines, prospects and assessment work, \$25,000. Total, \$916,750.97. Mine salaries, estimated, \$45,000.

This would give a total sum disbursed in Rossland for labor and management of \$961,750.97. This does not include the payroll of the Trail and Northport smelters, the Rossland Power Company, nor the wages paid by those who work for the railroad companies and are engaged in the transportation of the ore to the smelters. The working forces engaged in the several mines and mills have varied during the year, but an average of about 875 men engaged in and about the mines is a safe and conservative estimate of the number." It is estimated that 342,325 tons of

ore, valued at \$4,400,012, were shipped and crushed at the Rossland mines during 1904. This is a little less than the year previous, but exceeds all other years in the history of the camp.

Skiyark Bonded. The Skiyark Development Syndicate, consisting entirely of Phoenix men, has made the first payment of \$3,000 on the \$30,000 bond taken on the property recently. Within three months or less, three carloads of ore have been shipped, or about 52 tons, from which the smelter returns were \$4,800, or an average of \$93 per ton. Two of these cars were second and third class ore. Simultaneously with the making of the payment on the bond, those interested held a meeting and decided to proceed with the formation of a company with a capital stock of \$250,000, to be known as the Skiyark Development Co., Ltd. The company will take over the bond, and will have 24,000 shares in the treasury, the proceeds of which, as needed, will be used to equip the property with machinery, perform development work, etc. From the past, however, it seems that the ore shipments will go a long way towards taking care of the payments on the bond as they become due.

It has been decided to issue 12,000 shares of treasury stock now, at 50 cents each, and it is unofficially said that most of this has already been applied for. The par value of the shares will be \$1 each. The head office of the Skiyark will be located at Phoenix.

Granby Output. The Granby smelter's output for the year shows 549,703 tons output for 1904. The Phoenix Pioneer speaks of it as follows:

"During the year 1904 the Granby mines shipped more than 40 per cent. more ore than in the previous year, the total being 339,718 tons for 1903 and 549,703 in 1904—both in dry tons. The following is the record of shipping by months for 1904: January, 50,940 tons; February, 49,110 tons; March, 61,399 tons; April, 42,870 tons; May, 46,950 tons; June, 49,159 tons; July, 34,830 tons; August, 42,000 tons; September, 48,000 tons; October, 40,605 tons; November,

45,089 tons; December, 49,230 tons. Total, 549,703 tons. "Figured at \$5 per ton, the value of this ore was \$2,748,515.

"In the year 1904 there were 5,783 feet of crosscutting, drifting, raising and sinking done at the Granby mines—or over a mile—making a grand total of 26,844 feet of development work done in these mines, or over five miles. This does not include any of the work done in the summer ore quarries.

"In 1904 there were 3,148 feet of diamond drilling done at the Granby mines, or a total of 4,641 feet to date."

Year's Coal Production. The output of coal from the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company for the year 1904 totalled 744,000 tons, the largest in



FIFTEEN ABOVE ON SHEEP-CREEK.

L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

This creek contains a natural deposit of coal, which is a great boon to the miners for sharpening their picks and for cooking. Assay value (Government) on gold from this creek, \$18.05 per ounce.

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WINNING CANDIDATES IN MUNICIPAL FIGHT

Old Guard in North Ward Entirely Wiped Out—Changes in Southern Division—School Trustees.

Thursday the electors of Victoria selected their aldermen and three of their school trustees for the term of 1905. The polling marked the termination of the contest that was conspicuous because of the absence of excitement, and the apparent indifference of the public. The election of Mayor Barnard by acclamation and the lack of controversial subjects in the early part of the campaign, if there was a campaign, doubtless were responsible for the apathy that prevailed. There was no announcement of policy beyond the usual generalities and the electors therefore had nothing to warm themselves over.

A feature of yesterday's returns was the extermination of the old guard in North Ward. The two representatives who offered themselves for re-election, Aids. Beckwith and Kinsman, were laid low, although the former gave his conqueror, W. F. Fullerton, a good run for his victory. The defeat of Aids. Kinsman is more than an ordinary incident, because he was the veteran of veterans on the municipal board, and it was his first reverse in a decade or more of active participation in public affairs. The vote polled by W. J. Hanna, who came second in this ward, was a surprise to the superficial observer. It was conceded that Mr. Hanna would make a pretty strong run, but in this, his first battle for aldermanic honors, it was not expected that he would do so well.

In Central Ward it was believed that last year's trio would be re-elected. The vote polled in this ward was quite small, but there was a fair margin between the first, second and third candidates. Between Aids. Elford and H. E. Levy, however, but six votes intervened. Nevertheless there was less certainty regarding the results in this division than in the other electoral sections.

There was a genuine surprise in South Ward. Aid. Vincent was defeated and Jas. Douglas headed the polls. The Times yesterday predicted that Mr. Douglas would be returned, but did not expect he would leap into first place. He beat Aid. Fell, who came second, by thirty votes and Aid. Oddy by thirty-three.

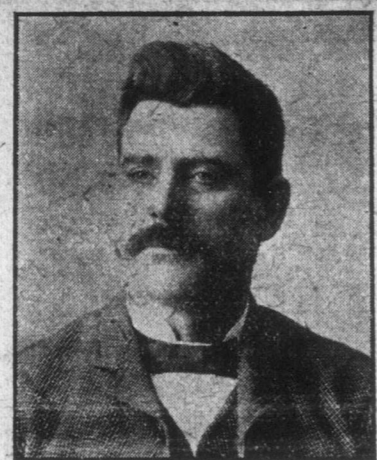
It is amusing to contemplate the childish attitudes beaten candidates occasionally adopt in their attempt to account for defeat. For instance, the papers have been resentfully informed by vanquished aspirants that their chances were blasted by the pre-election predictions that were made yesterday. It was manifestly impossible for the prophets to include all the candidates in the slate predicted, much as they might have desired to do, and it is worth noting that several whose returns were predicted were defeated. The successful candidates were elected because those who cared enough to qualify to vote wanted them, and that was all there was to it.

The results in the school trustee contest were as generally expected, Alf. Huggett, Dr. Bolton and Geo. Jay being returned by substantial margins.

The nearest approach to excitement since the elections were announced was visible at the various polling stations while the counts were in progress. As usual the arrangements for facilitating this function were first-class. Mr. Northcott being too old a hand at the work to overlook any essential detail. Unfortunately the returning officers could not be everywhere at once, which accounts for the absence of any bulletins regarding the contest for school trustee until quite late in the evening. Reporters were denied admittance to the holy of holies in which the count was taking place, namely, the police court chambers, the officers in charge of this department doubtless appreciating how flat, stale and unprofitable is a little bit of authority unless exercised with becoming pride, pomp and circumstance. This is the first occasion that newspaper reporters have not had every facility for furnishing the waiting public with prompt and accurate reports of the count. Fortunately the impasse did not exist at the market building, where the aldermanic tally was in progress, and the returns were exceptionally hastened at both newspaper offices. A large number of plumpers were cast for some of the candidates, Mr. Douglas heading the list, it is reported, with ninety-nine.

Following are the official figures in the voting for aldermen and school trustees:

Table with columns for ward names (North, Centre, South) and candidate names (Hanna, Fullerton, Stewart, etc.) with corresponding vote counts.



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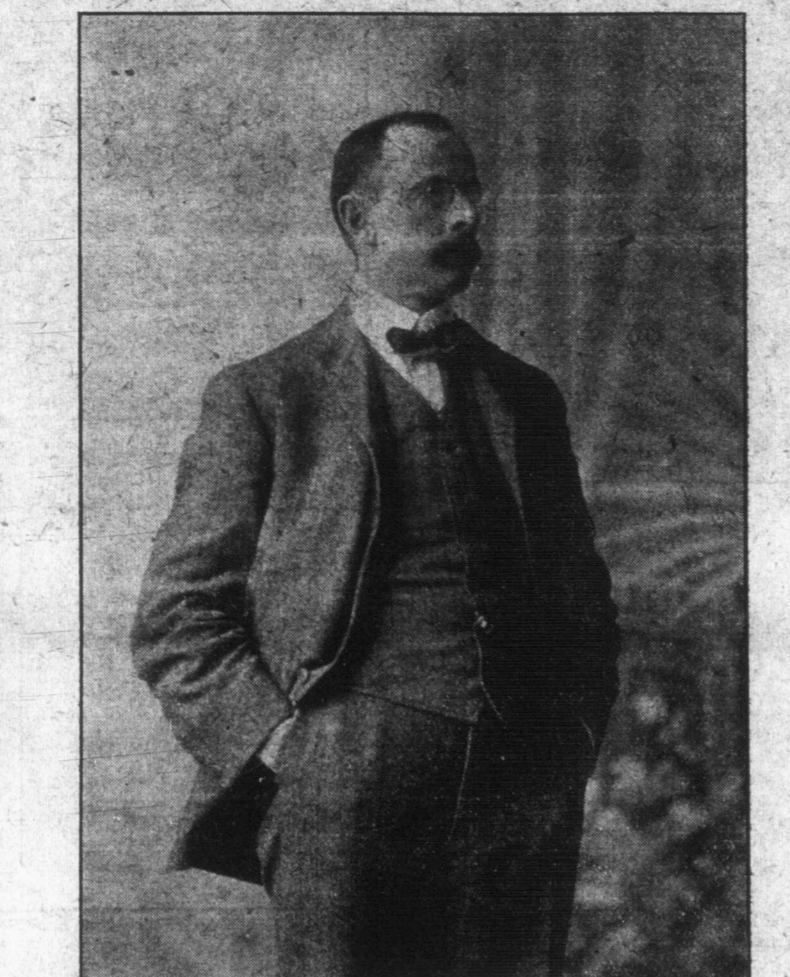


ALEX. STEWART, Re-elected Alderman for Central Ward.



L. GOODACRE, Re-elected Alderman for Central Ward.

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W. J. HANNA, Alderman for North Ward.



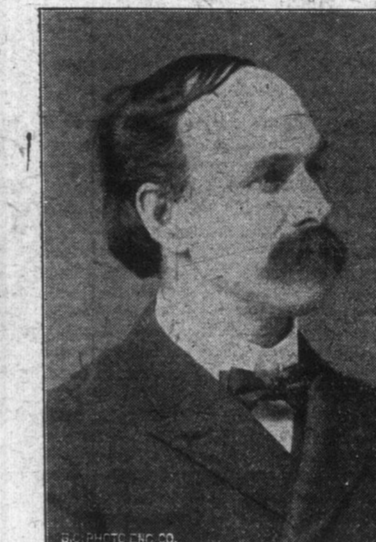
W. F. FULLERTON, Alderman for North Ward.



THORNTON FELL, Re-elected Alderman for South Ward.



JAMES DOUGLAS, Alderman for South Ward.



DR. LEWIS HALL, Alderman for North Ward.

Table titled 'THE NAVY LEAGUE' showing results for 'Against' and 'For' candidates in Centre, North, and South wards.

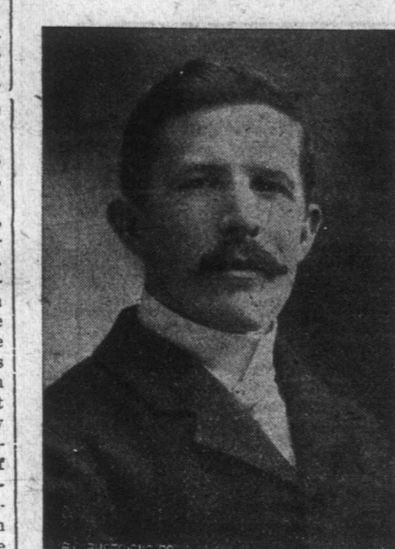
THEY DISCUSSED REDUCTION OF FLEET AT THEIR LAST MEETING.

The usual monthly meeting of the committee of the Victoria-Esquamalt branch of the Navy League was held at the secretary's office on Wednesday afternoon, the members present being A. B. Fraser, sr., president, Captain Clarke, Captain Gaudin, James Thomson, W. E. Laird, C. Hayward, C. E. Redfern and Joseph Peterson. Although the agenda was somewhat short, considerable discussion took place on matters pertaining to the removal of H. M. fleet and the subject of the memorial passed at last meeting and which had been sent through the secretary of state for the Governor-General in council. The attitude of the city council relative to the same was regarded as somewhat strange, inasmuch as it was a matter that by some effort something might be gained, and, in any event, nothing could be lost. The committee noted with pleasure that the Board of Trade were at last dealing with the question of the fleet and drydocking. The latter subject had very serious attention some years ago, and representations were made which resulted in the secretary of the league having communications from England, and in copies of information elicited by a special sub-committee being sent forward for presentation to several members of the House of Commons about the drydocking requirements on the Pacific. The meeting adjourned to meet again on the second Wednesday in February.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ENJOY THEMSELVES

Officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, Were Duly Installed, After Which Banquet Was Held.

One of the finest gatherings in Pythian history took place Thursday, when the installation of officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, was held. Many brethren of high rank and esteem graced the proceedings with their presence, giving words of praise for the excellent manner in which the work of the lodge was carried out. Deputy Grand Chancellor E. Dickinson, very ably supported by Past Chancellors E. B. Leason, E. W. Bradley, H. Dalziel, J. H. Mansell, L. Burmeister and W. S. Stanier, were the installing officers. Following are the officers selected for the ensuing term: C. C., D. Mowat;



ALF. HUGGETT, Re-elected School Trustee.



GEO. JAY, Re-elected School Trustee.

V. C. W. Kettle; prelate, J. McLeod; M. at A., Geo. McCulloch; K. of R. and S., E. P. Nathan; M. of Ex., A. Rueta; M. of F., A. E. Greenwood; M. of W., A. B. Oldershaw; I. G., F. W. Shade; O. G., Geo. Shade; Representatives to Grand Lodge, E. W. Bradley and E. E. Leason. The lodge being closed, the members then adjourned to the Hotel Victoria, where they set down to a banquet. Bro. Cave decorated the diningroom and tables with all the emblems that are

replied in suitable terms, relating several known in Pythianism, and that he did full justice to the occasion goes without saying. This is an affair which is held annually by Victoria Lodge, and is growing more popular as the custom grows older. After the inner man was satisfied (and the capacities of some are not small) the toast list was proceeded with. The first was "The King," proposed by Bro. E. E. Leason. "The President of the United States" was proposed by Bro. E. C. Smith, who referred in complimentary terms to the strong qualities of the head of the great republic. Bro. Smith related a number of anecdotes in the course of his speech which caused considerable merriment. Bro. R. E. Peabody responded in an excellent speech, showing himself perfectly capable of responding to toasts of this kind. Bro. W. D. Kinnaird favored the company with a song in his usual good voice and received an encore, responding with "Bonnie Mary of Argyle." Bro. A. B. Oldershaw then proposed the "Grand of B. O." in a few appropriate words. Bro. E. P. Nathan

idea, pointing out that at all times he was willing to perform any duties that devolved on him. Bro. Coopman responded appropriately. Bro. C. Goodenough sang in his fine style "Far Across the Sea." In response to an encore he gave "Bred in Old Kentucky." "The Newly Installed Officers" was given by Bro. E. E. Leason in one of his capital speeches. Bro. D. S. Mowat responded and called the attention of the members to the urgent necessity of their attending the meetings, for without their assistance it was not very encouraging to the officers. Bros. Kettle, McLeod, F. W. Shade, A. B. Oldershaw, E. P. Nathan, A. E. Greenwood, A. Busta, Geo. McCulloch and Geo. A. Shade also responded. The representatives—Bros. E. E. Leason and E. W. Bradley—then addressed the members regarding the meeting of the grand lodge. The chairman then presented the waitresses with substantial sums collected around the table, and which were accepted most gratefully. Bro. A. E. Greenwood proposed "Our Beloved Order." Bro. H. F. W. Behnson, P. G. H., responded, and thanked the Victoria lodge for the courtesies shown him during the past. He gave a detailed statement of the standing of the order throughout the civilized world, which showed that it had grown to great strength and power, which he expected would be doubled in the next few years. Bro. Behnson, "the father of Pythianism in British Columbia," is always interesting. "Losses in death and retirements will be added to by considerable discharges until the hired men, of whom in Portsmouth yard alone there are over 7,000 on a total staff of just over 11,000, have been reduced by one-quarter. "The order applies to all yards, and the object, which is known to be much favored by Sir John Fisher, is to give naval mechanics regular shore employment, and thereby popularize the service and increase the potential reserve of qualified men." There was only one man in the naval yard at Esquimalt whom these changes would not be affected, however, and he is favored by the company with a happy reply. Bros. Wheeler, Brayshaw and Gold likewise spoke. Bro. Leason here complimented the sister societies on the good and acts performed by them, and expressed the hope that the good work would continue. The remarks were received with applause. "Wives and Sweethearts" was then proposed and responded to by Bro. Burmeister, who said he hoped that on future occasions the ladies would be present at gatherings of this kind. The brother closed his remarks with the expression "that he blessed the ladies and wished he had five wives." Bro. E. Dickinson proposed "The Host and Hostess," and Bro. E. W. Bradley responded. Bro. J. H. Hillon rendered a number of capital songs during the evening. The National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.



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Report That the Property Will Be Offered for Sale—Changes in Naval Regulations.

It is reported in Esquimalt that the canteen grounds bordering the harbor on one side and Esquimalt road on the other, and containing several acres of level green, are to be offered for sale in the near future in accordance with the plan of naval reduction here applied. The canteen is a valuable piece of property, recently enclosed with a new iron fence and, kept as it was by the navy, was a favored place for the holding of games of all kinds. The announcement that it is to be sold comes in a most indirect way, but would only be consistent with the present admiralty policy. This, however, it is hoped, will be changed ere long and that the powers over naval affairs will be brought to a proper appreciation of the importance of Esquimalt. With respect to some other changes in the naval programme, following from the Daily Chronicle of December 30th will be read with interest: "The inauguration of the big reorganization scheme in the royal dockyards was foreshadowed yesterday by the issue of an important admiralty order at Portsmouth, directing that all officers and men above the age of sixty years who are still employed in the dockyards are to be discharged by the end of March. "In ordinary circumstances dockyard men, whether on the retired or established lists, have to retire at the age of sixty, but if specially recommended by their officers they are allowed to remain until sixty-five years, when they are compelled to retire. The new order will be strictly carried out. All men over sixty-two will leave in one month's time, and the remainder by the end of March. About 150 officers and men will be affected at Portsmouth. "Though no official announcement has yet been made it is well understood that the permanent reduction of hired men will be effected, and their places will be taken by naval ratings who have completed their time on active service. These will still be amenable to naval discipline. "Losses in death and retirements will be added to by considerable discharges until the hired men, of whom in Portsmouth yard alone there are over 7,000 on a total staff of just over 11,000, have been reduced by one-quarter. "The order applies to all yards, and the object, which is known to be much favored by Sir John Fisher, is to give naval mechanics regular shore employment, and thereby popularize the service and increase the potential reserve of qualified men." There was only one man in the naval yard at Esquimalt whom these changes would not be affected, however, and he is favored by the company with a happy reply. Bros. Wheeler, Brayshaw and Gold likewise spoke. Bro. Leason here complimented the sister societies on the good and acts performed by them, and expressed the hope that the good work would continue. The remarks were received with applause. "Wives and Sweethearts" was then proposed and responded to by Bro. Burmeister, who said he hoped that on future occasions the ladies would be present at gatherings of this kind. The brother closed his remarks with the expression "that he blessed the ladies and wished he had five wives." Bro. E. Dickinson proposed "The Host and Hostess," and Bro. E. W. Bradley responded. Bro. J. H. Hillon rendered a number of capital songs during the evening. The National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

Land Registry Act.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A, Victoria City. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the date hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land, issued to Ellen Carroll on the 19th day of May, 1905, and numbered 1553. S. Y. WOOTTON, Registrar-General, Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

G. R. LAWRENCE.

Please take notice that should you fail to meet your portion of expenditure for assessment work for year ending Sept. 30th, 1904, on mineral claims Cascade and Forest King, on head waters of Chemainus River, your interest in same will be forfeited to the time and as provided for by statute. A. K. SHERK, Registrar-General.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Land and Works for leave to purchase forty (40) acres of land situated on Deane Lake, Cassiar District, opposite Porter's Landing, and about one (1) mile south of the outlet of the said Lake into Deane River, commencing at the northwest corner two (2) chains from this point, thence twenty (20) chains south, thence twenty (20) chains north, and thence back to northwest corner. WARBURTON PIKE, Deane Lake, Cassiar, B.C., Oct. 2nd, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Land and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Fraction No. 1/4 Sec. 31, Fraction Sec. 32 and Fraction Sec. 33, Deane Island, Nanaimo District, containing in the aggregate 487 acres more or less. H. McFARLAN, December 5th, 1904.

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DENMARK'S NEW CABINET.

It Includes Several Members of the Former Ministry. Copenhagen, Jan. 13.—The new cabinet is composed as follows: M. J. C. Christensen, premier and minister of war and marine; Count Raben Lovetzan, minister of foreign affairs; M. Alberti, minister of justice; M. Ole Hansen, minister of agriculture; M. Enevold Scerzen, minister of instruction; M. Svend Hoegsbro, minister of public works; M. Sigurd Berg, minister of the interior; M. Wilhelm Lassen, minister of finance. Alberti, Hansen and Scerzen, like Christensen, belonged to the late Deane ministry. Christensen is the first civilian to administer the military and naval departments of Denmark.

SUICIDE IN CELL.

Man Charged With Refusing to Support His Wife Strangled Himself With Cord. Wilmington, Del., Jan. 13.—Preferring death to stand trial, Andrew Johnson, who was arrested for refusing to support his wife, committed suicide to-day. Johnson took a cord from the mattress in his cell, tied it about his neck and strangled himself to death.

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Headquarters of the army at Port Arthur, Jan. 10.—The army yesterday for Arthur. The army of one regiment from the procession, which was three hours in base, after which the of the city through G. The correspondents captured city for the shells, but in the new was slight. All the bor was badly damaged. Proposals for the Arthur were first m at a council of war, in favor of surrender general officers were it. The regimental off were not consulted. The first notice the rander was January. Stoesel had commu Japanese. The scenes follow were disgraceful. D the streets and refus cers. Many of the upon the fortification ed and came into the sion. The infantry the fortress had been their wives and ammu bor and proceeded to houses and loot and a helpless condition. It was evident was not necessary, effective men in the ply of ammunition w not exhausted. Foo vate stores were bet military. There is no good meals in the stores in private tion of the fortress fence for months lo It was the opinio at Port Arthur the unnecessary, as the and able to fight to Gen. Stoesel was what was the conclu of a splended with the de Kondratenko, who soldiers, and was th THE RUSSIANS

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