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GIVING CONCERN TO DIPLOMATISTS

CORRESPONDENCE HAS PASSED ON SUBJECT

British Press Regards Malacca Incident as Creating Acute Crisis—Advance on Mukden.

Paris, July 21.—Foreign Minister Delcasse is making friendly representations to Count Lansdowne, the Russian foreign minister, suggesting it is understood, the release of the Malacca and Dardanelles, which the British and French press and public are taking the fair calmly.

QUESTION OF THE DARDANELLES.

London, July 21.—With respect to the question of the passage of the Dardanelles which Great Britain has also raised, it is expected here that both the British and Russian diplomats held the view that this does not demand the immediate attention which the Malacca incident requires.

There is reason to believe that Great Britain is exchanging views with other powers regarding the operations of the volunteer fleet steamers and the hardships thereby inflicted on neutral commerce, or to which it is liable.

MAY OFFER TO REFER TO HAGUE TRIBUNAL.

St. Petersburg, July 21.—The suggestion is made that if Great Britain persists in raising the issue of status of the Russian volunteer fleet cruisers now in the Red Sea, Russia will offer to refer the case to the arbitration tribunal at The Hague.

RUMORED ADVANCE TOWARDS MUKDEN.

St. Petersburg, July 21.—The most sensational piece of news from the front is the Associated Press dispatch from Liao Yang, dated July 20th, reporting a persistent rumor that the Japanese have broken through the Russian left wing between the respective positions of Lieut-General Count Keller and General Rennenkampf, and are marching on Mukden.

The Post at midnight announces that the government had received no confirmation of the report of the release of the Malacca, which means that the incident remains unsettled.

General Kouropatkin, in a dispatch to the Emperor, dated July 20th, says there has been no particular change in his sphere of operations.

VICEROY IS REGARDED AS A MINDRANCE.

Berlin, July 21.—A telegram from Newchwang says the anomalous position of Viceroy Alexieff is likely to prove a danger to Russia in the campaign and a serious hindrance to General Kouropatkin.

BRITISH STEAMER ACCIDENTALLY TORPEDOED.

Tientsin, July 21.—A letter received here today from Newchwang said the commander of a Russian torpedo boat reported that while in the Gulf of Peohli he had accidentally torpedoed a British steamer.

FRANCE OFFERS ADVICE IN MATTER.

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VLADIVOSTOCK FLEET GIVES ALARM.

Tokio, July 22, 2.10 a. m.—A steamer reports that the Vladivostock squadron was off Miyako yesterday, going in a southerly direction at a speed of 20 knots.

which, if acceptable, will serve as the basis for an adjustment.

JAPS ARE ADVANCING ON NEWCHWANG.

Newchwang, July 22.—Quite an excitement has been created here by the report that the Japanese are advancing in this direction, being only 12 miles distant.

ENGAGEMENT NORTH OF MOTIEN PASS.

London, July 22.—A dispatch to the Central News from Tokio says there is reason to believe that a severe fight, lasting all day, occurred on July 9th at Kaito, north of Motien pass.

RUSSIA AGREES NOT TO REPEAT IT.

St. Petersburg, July 22.—The Russian Navy's official report was handed to Ambassador Harding this afternoon.

AWAITING FINAL INSPECTION AT SUDA.

St. Petersburg, July 22.—2.07 a.m.—The steamer Malacca is at Suda Bay, island of Crete, where, under agreement reached between Great Britain and Russia, she will be put under inspection jointly by the consuls of the two countries.

PRESS OPINION ON THE SITUATION.

London, July 22.—Morning papers generally express satisfaction that the Malacca incident has been settled in accordance with the demands of Great Britain, though there is an answer to await on the broader question of the passage through the Dardanelles of the volunteer fleet steamers before believing that all danger has been averted.

willings to take chances that would make him a most formidable foe.

BRITISH FLEET MAY INTERCEPT MALACCA.

Constantinople, July 22.—The passage of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers through the Dardanelles under a commercial flag, and the subsequent hoisting of the Russian flag, is considered here to be a violation of international law.

GENERAL ADVANCE MAY BE BEGINNING.

St. Petersburg, July 22.—The Official Messenger prints the following from Liao Yang, dated July 20th: "Our left flank yesterday withstood a powerful onslaught of the enemy."

MINES INTERFERING WITH NAVIGATION.

Tientsin, July 21.—Lloyd's agent at Newchwang, telegraphs that, nearly every steamer arriving reports mines and that navigation will practically cease unless steps are taken to explode the mines.

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A CRITICISM OF THE JAPANESE ARMY.

Liao Yang, July 22.—In the course of an interesting interview with an Associated Press correspondent, General Rennenkampf, who was recently wounded, is now in a hospital, only criticized the Japanese army, and expressed his confidence in the Japanese army.

ment it attributes to the French action, adding that: "It is rumored in diplomatic circles that Germany wishes to co-operate with England in a settlement of the dispute."

NEW CRUISERS MAY HAVE JOINED SQUADRON.

London, July 22.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegraph Co. from St. Petersburg says it is reported there that the cruisers left 123 dead and 900 rifles on the Japanese side.

COST OF THE PRESENT WAR TO JAPAN.

Washington, July 22.—The fourth financial and economic annual of Japan, issued by the Japanese department of finance, has been received by the Associated Press.

JAPANESE AGAIN WON THE VICTORY.

Gen. Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, July 21, via Fusan, Korea, July 22.—The Japanese attack on the Russians at Kiao Tung yesterday resulted in another decisive victory.

A SEVERE FIGHT AT KIAO TUNG.

Tokio, July 22.—General Kuroki reports that a severe fight occurred on July 17th at Kiao Tung. The place had been fortified by the Russians, who defended it stoutly.

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try marched forward, the flankers had succeeded in sealing the heights on the Russian right by 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which hour the main force was ordered to storm the Russian centre.

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The Times draws attention to serious complications of a similar kind which are liable to occur in the Pacific, instancing the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's apprehensions on this point.

WATCHING RUSSIAN GUNBOAT SIVOUCH.

Newchwang, July 17.—Delayed in transmission—The Japanese cruisers are standing off here and one at the river entrance, hoping the Russian gunboat Sivouch will attempt to go to Port Arthur.

NO MORE MERCHANTMEN TO BE STOPPED.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—The Associated Press is able to announce that Russia has informally notified Great Britain that orders have been issued to the Russian cruisers in the Red Sea not to arrest any more merchantmen, and it has been agreed between the two powers that pending the settlement of these orders by the captains of the St. Petersburg and the Smolensk, other ships should be stopped and held as prizes, these acts shall be regarded as a violation of international law, and the ships concerned are at once to be released.

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carry any kind of war material for Japan. The company has asked the foreign office to take up the matter and secure an explanation.

SHIPPING COMPANY'S STATEMENT.

Hamburg, July 23.—The company has made the following statement: "The capture of the Scandia appears to be incontestable. Her manifests show that no war material in any form for Japanese was on board."

The Hamburg-American Company, at the beginning of the war, instructed its representatives to make it their special duty not to accept contraband for transportation.

STEAMER CEYLON WAS ALLOWED TO PASS.

Port Said, July 23.—The Peninsular & Oriental Company's steamer Ceylon, homeward bound from Yokohama and Penang, has arrived here. She reports that the cruiser St. Petersburg of the Russian volunteer squadron, signalled her July 18th when 20 hours from Suez, asking her where she was from, and where she was bound, after which the Ceylon was allowed to proceed. The St. Petersburg at that time was conveying a German merchant ship, which is now believed to have been the Scandia.

GERMAN SHIPS WILL NOT BE STOPPED.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—The Russian government has given formal assurances to Germany that there will be no repetition of the Tzitzelheim incident. It is not known whether this includes a definite notification that the converted steamers of the volunteer fleet now in the Red Sea will cease stopping neutral vessels. This is not yet clear, although it is believed it will.

SQUADRON WAS STILL GOING SOUTHWARD.

Tokio, July 23.—The Vladivostok squadron was seen at noon yesterday (Friday) 80 miles off Hilo, Hawaii. The squadron was going south.

SIGNIFICANT SIGN AS TO BALTO FLEET.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—Admiral Britfel, in command of the naval force at Kronstadt, has started on a tour of the Baltic ports. This is regarded as indicating that the fleet division of the Baltic squadron is practically completed.

POSITION IMPROVED STRATEGICALLY.

Gen. Kurak's headquarters, in the field, via Fusan, July 22.—As a result of five days' activity the Japanese have secured much better strategic lines from their advance, and the Russians have lost their best defensive positions both on the Liao Yang and Mukden roads. Four Russian guns shelled one of the Japanese positions for an hour this morning without result. The Japanese guns remained silent. There is a report that Major Hiroku, who was wounded July 19th, has died, he was attached to the British army in the Boer war.

ARMY IS AWAITING ARRIVAL OF RESERVES.

Sintziang, seventy miles east of Mukden, Manchuria, July 23.—According to reports from Chinese sources Saigo passed ten miles northwest of Salmatza, is held by more than 5000 Japanese infantry and artillery. It is believed that this column has engaged the Russian force proceeding from Salmatza westward. The Japanese are moving up their reserves to reinforce the Saigo pass column, which is expected to push forward upon the arrival of reinforcements. Heavy cannonading was heard July 19th.

REPORT TO THE Czar.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—General Kouropatkin in a report to the Emperor under date of July 23rd, says everything is quiet, and there has been no change in the southern front of the Russian forces on the Hsuyen road. He proceeds to describe the advance made July 21st, by his order, from Ikhaven eastward along the stage road towards Chin-ping-tze and southwards along the valley of the Liang river towards Suya-tianza.

ACT WAS ILLEGAL.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—Although it was authoritatively stated yesterday that the Malacca had already reached Suda bay, it now transpires that when the Malacca sailed from Port Said she was bound for Algiers. Unless orders are despatched to her on the way she will, upon arrival there, find an order to proceed immediately to Suda bay, where under the agreement reached between Great Britain and Russia, the vessel and her cargo will be made by the Russian and the British consuls.

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not receive previous notice that Russia, under the shadow of a cloud upon their right to fly the war flag, will formally notify the powers of their conversion into warships, thus putting all neutrals upon their guard. In the meantime, all the ships seized will be released unless the captains refuse to show their manifests, in which event the procedure in the case of the Malacca probably will be followed.

CLAIM TO HAVE RETAKEN KAICHAU.

Paris, July 23.—The correspondent of the Matin at Yinkow says a violent cannonade lasting several hours was heard to the northward of Kaichau on July 22nd. The roofs of the houses in Neuchwang were crowded with Europeans and Chinese looking on. The Russian claim Kaichau on July 21st, and say the fight reported was the result of the Japanese reassuming the offensive.

JAPANESE ARE VERY STRONGLY ENTRENCHED.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—A badly mutilated dispatch from Taitchekiao, dated July 20th, which has been received here, indicates that an engagement of some importance had occurred on the coast between Kaichau and Yinkow. The dispatch states that the Russians made a night attack on a fortified Japanese camp at Sangoss on the sea coast north of Kaichau. They got within close range and opened fire on the camp before they were discovered and forced the retreat of the Japanese towards Kaichau. Here a portentous dispatch is missing. Apparently the attackers were enveloped by a counter Japanese movement, probably by troops from some neighboring position for this region is strongly fortified and the Russian detachment was in danger of being cut off and annihilated.

The message continues by saying that when the Russians had given themselves up for lost, a welcome diversion was created in their rear by Captain Rotovski, in command of three companies of Russian troops, who threw his force into the fight. Cossack companies also came up on a gallop.

Here occurs another mutilation. The message continues as follows: "The next day we abandoned our position, leaving the bodies of 15 Japanese were unable to bury. The general situation in this region does not indicate activity of much importance in the near future. The rains have commenced, ruining the roads. Information has reached here from the south that the railway is flooded between Kaichau and Yangwong, and that the Japanese being unable to run their engines, their water are moving their cars by horse-power. The Japanese are strongly entrenched south of Taitchekiao, and have pushed their fortifications far to the sides of the railway as far as the village of Tavalga, off which they have several large junks. Their apparent object is to move along the sea coast to the east two-thirds of the way from Kaichau to Yinkow. Our scouts here are ready to contest the Japanese advance."

The opinion of Major-General Kouropatkin is that the Japanese position, held south and east, is weakly held, but strongly fortified, and that much of the Japanese infantry has been drawn off to reinforce General Kuroki, who is operating against Lieut-General Keller. At some positions south of Simoungchen dummies are actually being used to man the entrenchments. The Russians are so surrounded by entrenchments to the south and east that it is hard for them to move without coming under fire. There is a report that more artillery than infantry in these positions. The Japanese are loath to disclose the positions of their guns. A few days ago General Baron Steinhilber and his staff personally reconnoitered the position of Makuntzudai hill without drawing the Japanese fire, although the two were conspicuous in their white uniforms. The Russians are harassing the Japanese posts nightly. The Japanese never attempted to follow the attackers.

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The Russians, harassed by small bands of Japanese, continued their advance July 22nd, the Japanese outpost retiring on their field fortifications east of the Lakko pass. At 6:30 in the morning the Russian artillery opened fire on the pass, which is surrounded by a temple, and the advance was continued, a few kilometers along the stage road without encountering the enemy.

VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON SIGHTED OFF IZU.

Tokio, July 24.—The Vladivostok squadron was sighted at 8 o'clock this morning (Sunday) 80 miles off the southern coast of the province of Izu. It was veering to the east.

GERMANY AROUSED AT RUSSIA'S ACT.

Berlin, July 24.—The feeling aroused by the seizure of the Hamburg-American ship in the Red Sea will probably be reported very heavily. Already it is roughly estimated at \$5,000,000.

venture of the trial of Socialists at Koenigsberg and who was responsible for its failure and for the moral triumph of the Social Democrats.

The paper characterizes the Russian volunteer fleet steamers as "imperial Russian licensed sea robbers and pirates," and demands that the most energetic measures be taken in the matter.

The Tagblatt says: "The country expects the man at his head to do his duty." The Tagblatt heads its account: "Another Exhibition of Russian Friendship" and says it believes the seizure will awaken all the more indignation since Russia had already yielded in the Malacca case, and expresses the hope that Russia will not lose a moment in sending orders to release the Scandia, otherwise Germany, against her will, must assume a different attitude toward Russia, adding:

"After England has obtained satisfaction so speedily it would be a double blow to the Russian fleet if it could not compel the same respect as the English flag."

The Post, evidently verberly inspired by the foreign office characterizations, seizes upon another exhibition of Russian recklessness, and predicts that it will stir up much bad blood in Germany.

"It will," adds the Post, "make diplomatic relations between Germany and Russia, which are already bad, much worse."

The foreign office has called to the German consul at Port Said for an authentic version of the capture of the Scandia, and is awaiting his answer before making representations at St. Petersburg. The officials discuss the case with an evident attempt to keep cool, but they betray deep-seated indignation at Russia's course.

Germany has no warships in the Red Sea, and the question of sending vessels there has not yet been considered, but the officials hint intemperately that this question must arise unless Russia speedily orders the captains of her volunteer fleet steamers to cease molesting German shipping. The officials refer to the energetic language of the German press as fully justifiable.

The seizure of the Scandia is regarded as being so excessively unreasonable that the government officials try to assume that the captain of the Russian ship exceeded his instructions, and that Russia will make speedy amends.

The Lokai Anzeiger regards the seizure of the Scandia as being a much more serious act of violence than the Prinz Heinrich case, in that the Scandia was on board the Malacca belongs to Great Britain.

BRITISH CRUISER ALONGSIDE THE STEAMER.

Suez, July 23.—The British steamer Ardo, which, after being fired at by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk, was seized by that vessel, has arrived here. She is flying the Russian naval flag and has a prize crew on board. The British cruiser Venus is anchored close to the captured steamer.

VLADIVOSTOK FLEET IS AGAIN SIGHTED.

Tokio, July 23.—A.m.—The Vladivostok squadron was sighted 20 miles off Katsura Ura, in the prefecture of Shimosa, at 7 o'clock this morning. The vessel was moving eastward. Katsura Ura is 100 miles north of Cape Izo, where the Vladivostok squadron was reported yesterday.

VOLUNTEER FLEET WILL BE RECALLED.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—The Associated Press is informed that the Russian fleet steamers Smolensk and St. Petersburg have already been ordered home, and that instructions for them to return may be brought to the Emperor given Great Britain of this point are declared to be satisfactory.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK BY VLADIVOSTOK FLEET.

New York, July 23.—The Knight Commander, sunk by the Vladivostok squadron yesterday, according to the maritime register, is a British ship of 2716 tons burden, commanded by Capt. Durant. She sailed from New York May 29th, for Singapore. On June 23rd she was at Manila, and last week was reported as having arrived at Shanghai. The owner of the Knight Commander is the Knight S. S. Co., Limited, of Liverpool. She was built at Newcastle by the Palmers.

CREW OF VESSEL TAKEN TO YOKOHAMA.

Tokio, July 23.—The British steamer Chinan has arrived at Yokohama with the crew of the British steamer Knight Commander, which was sunk by the Russian Vladivostok squadron off Izu. The Knight Commander's cargo was a general one. Her European passengers were detained by the Russians, and her crew of 21 was transferred to the Chinan, which also reports that the Russians sank two Japanese schooners.

BRITISH STEAMER FIRED ON IN RED SEA.

Port Said, July 24.—Advices received here say that the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk fired three blank shots across the bows of the British steamer Ardo. The vessel not stopping, the Smolensk sent two loaded shots at her, one of them passing over her amidships and the other over her stern. The Ardo was then seized and her crew transferred to the Smolensk. The vessel will be brought to Suez.

PROTEST LOGGED BY CAPTAIN OF THE ARDOVA.

Suez, July 23.—Capt. Smith, of the Ardo, has lodged a protest with the British consul against the capture and detention of the steamer. Part of the Ardo's crew, who are on board the Smolensk, will be landed at Jeddah, Arabia.

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RIGHT TO SEARCH.

St. Petersburg, July 23.—Grand Duke Alexis presided at the council which Count Lamdorff, the foreign secretary, and Count Lamsdorff, chief of the admiralty, and other high naval officers attended. The result of the conference was that a double consent was given, and attitude of Russia with regard to the

Russian foreign office, is that it grew out of Grand Duke Alexander Mikhalovich (head of the department of mercantile marine), practically taking the matter into his own hands, and commissioning the vessels of the volunteer fleet which had passed through the Dardanelles, bound for the Far East, to hoist the Russian war flag and seize merchantmen in the Red Sea.

It is understood that the Emperor has censured his brother-in-law for taking a step of such gravity without consulting the foreign office. There is general relief, however, at the fact that Grand Duke Alexander Mikhalovich's precipitate action has not resulted in irreparable complications.

The blunder of the Grand Duke is attributed to his comparative youth and inexperience in affairs of state.

SMOLENSK ACTED IN IRREGULAR WAY.

London, July 23.—While no protest has been yet made against the action of the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk in firing three shells over the British steamer Ardo, the official report of the British government bears out the press dispatches that a strong protest probably will be entered against the Smolensk endangering the lives of the Ardo's passengers by the irregular procedure of the captain of the Smolensk, custom requiring that when a vessel at sea refuses to obey the signal of a warship to stop, to follow it up with a solid shot across her bows.

The captain of the Smolensk, it is added, might be liable to a severe penalty for his act, and also for the transfer of the Ardo's crew on board the Smolensk. But these collateral questions will be the subject of mutual negotiations when Great Britain presents her bill for damages.

The main thing is that, so far as the volunteer fleet steamers are concerned, the acute stage of the diplomatic crisis has passed. It has been decided at the request of Great Britain, in order to avoid further loss of time, not to send the P. & O. steamer Malacca, seized in the Red Sea by the volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk, to Suda Bay, Island of Crete, but to release her at Algiers.

The Associated Press is informed that it is possible there will be no formal protest on the part of the British and Russian consuls, but merely a declaration by the British consul, on behalf of the British government, that the munitions on board the Malacca belongs to Great Britain.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S MODEST MESSAGE.

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After a long discussion, in which Count Lamdorff took a leading part, it was decided that the present status of the volunteer fleet was not sufficiently important to accept of international law, to render further search and seizure advisable, and therefore Russia, in the interest of friendly relations with the powers should withdraw its authority given the volunteer fleet in this respect.

WARSHIP WATCHING THE DARDANELLES.

Constantinople, July 23.—Vessels arriving here report that a British warship is patrolling off Cape Helas, 15 miles south of the Dardanelles. She is using her searchlight with the supposed view of ascertaining the position of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers, if they attempt to pass the Dardanelles.

STEAMER SEARCHED IN GULF OF FINLAND.

Berlin, July 23.—The German steamer Lisbon, of the Oldenburg-Portugal line, has been stopped and searched by a Russian warship in the gulf of Finland. She was then released.

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DUNDONALD GETS HIS QUIETUS

Ottawa, July 23.—The following cable disposes definitely of Lord Dundonald and his taking part in political or other demonstrations: Lord N. July 23.—Answering Mr. Markham, M. P., Arnold-Foster said the sessional papers of the Dominion parliament containing the correspondence of the colonial government and Lord Dundonald were received at the war office July 9th, and considered by the army council.

The various questions of Lord Dundonald's position as a half pay officer had been examined on July 18th. The secretary of state for war decided that in view of all these facts it was expedient that Lord Dundonald be recalled and asked for an explanation, his attention being called to the paragraph in the King's regulations forbidding officers speaking publicly or attending public meetings. The telegram was dispatched July 19th. Under section 175, sub-section 1, of the Army Act, officers of the regular force on the active list, within the meaning of the royal warrant for the regulating pay and of the promotion of the regular force, are subject to military law. Under royal warrant for pay the active list includes officers who are on temporary half pay.

Lord Dundonald was therefore subject to military law, and must obey.

The published reports of the sinking of the Vladivostok squadron of a British steamer with a cargo consigned to "The American Trading Co."

REFERRED TO IN HOUSE.

Congratulatory References to Private Perry's Winning of the King's Prize—Australian Service.

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TRIAL CONCLUDED.

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THE KING'S PRIZEMAN.

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SUDDEN DEMISE OF HUGH AIKMAN MONDAY

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The funeral will take place from the Gables, Gorge road, on Wednesday afternoon, July 27th, at 2.30 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral at 3.15 o'clock.

M. J. Berryman and Mrs. Berryman left last night on a trip to California for the purpose of visiting relatives and renewing old acquaintances.

THE "BIG FOUR" IS AGAIN VICTORIOUS

J. B. A. A. EASILY WON RACE AT PORTLAND

Desbrisay's Shell Too Light for Chippy Water—Victoria Gets Next Year's Regatta.

Portland, July 25.—In a race that was never in doubt, the Victoria oarsmen swept everything before them Friday, and racing experts here have conceded...



J. B. A. A. COACH, ROWED IN SENIOR DOUBLES.

that Victoria will be the winners in this afternoon's event. In the first race for the junior doubles Victoria led from the start...

In the junior fours Victoria finished third, the race ending in Vancouver, on a fluke, Portland getting out of her course and fouling the Vancouver boat.

Desbrisay has caught the eyes of Portland's oarsmen, and while they have pinned their hopes in Gloss, they hardly expect him to win. If a man can row a prettier stroke than Desbrisay showed yesterday in the doubles he can win anywhere...

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There was immediately a woeful display of chagrin and disappointment. The "Big Four" has deteriorated in fact it is confidently asserted that the crew could equal the Nelson time if called upon to do so under similar conditions.

When the boys return this afternoon they will be given a royal welcome. All members of the club and a large contingent of friends will gather at the wharf to accord their heroes a fitting reception.

Victoria's triumphant oarsmen will return from the scene of their recent victory on the Whistcom this afternoon, and it is to be hoped that they will be right royally received.

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STRIKE HAS BEEN RENEWED TO-DAY

HALF THE BUTCHERS WERE GIVEN PLACES

The Men Thereupon Refused to Work and Reported at Their Union Headquarters.

Chicago, July 22.—The packing house strike was today ordered renewed in Chicago and other cities.

Violation of the agreement by the packing house proprietors is assigned as the reason. "Order out all the departments again. Company has violated agreement."

To-day 3,000 cattle butchers reported at the stockyards here for work. Only half of them were given places. Thereupon all refused to work.

While the immediate provocation for the renewal of the strike was apparently the failure of the packers to take back a larger portion of the strikers who reported for work to-day, the real cause of the rupture was inferred to be a circular issued by the packers...

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Transit Company have struck. The packers' teamsters are still at work. Every live stock handler, the yards, steam heat, mechanical trades workers, team fitters, electricians, plumbers, machinists, box makers, millwrights, and helpers and engineers and firemen are out...

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SENTENCE COMMUTED.

Indian Johnny Will Not Hang, But Will Put in Life Term in Jail.

Nanaimo, July 23.—The sentence of death passed upon Indian Johnny for the murder of the medicine man Wilson and his wife at Chemainus last spring, has been commuted. The bodies of the victims were never found. Another circumstance, the superstitious terrorism under which Wilson kept his fellow tribesmen caused a general feeling here that Johnny should not suffer the extreme penalty.

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NEWS OF A FATAL ACCIDENT UP NORTH

BODIES FOUND AND TAKEN TO ESSINGTON

Clock of Steamer Islander Reported to Have Been Recovered—Princess Beatrice Returns.

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Grimsby Park, Ont., July 23.—Rev. John Phillips, D. D., pastor of St. Stephen's Street Methodist church, Kingston, and one of the best known ministers in Eastern Canada, died here suddenly last night of apoplexy. He was 72 years of age. He was a member of the United Church of St. James's church, Montreal.

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The King Shows a Preference For Automobiles—A New Car Built.

London, July 21.—King Edward is to have a large extent given up horses and carriages for automobiles. Shortly after his accession to the throne several stable hands at Windsor were dismissed with pensions and gratuities.

The King's already large collection of motor cars has been added to this week by a new automobile with all the latest improvements, and it is interesting to find that some improvements have been made.

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Local News.

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Undoubtedly the earliest wheat cut in Canada has been that grown on the farm of Geo. and J. F. Dean, of Richmond road. A field of 20 acres on their farm was cut on Wednesday last. The grain is heavy and was found in excellent condition.

In the report Friday of the proceedings of the council meeting of the board of trade an omission appeared. Among the companies objecting to an amalgamation of the Vancouver and Victoria boards of fire underwriters was the Liverpool, London & Globe Company, which called for Liverpool strongly protesting against the union proposal.

Under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. a trip to Salt Spring, through the islands, on the steamer City of Nanaimo, is now being advertised. Last year a similar excursion was a most successful one during the season. Arrangements will be made for supplying meals on board, and every convenience will be provided.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Dunsmauir, who has generously donated the ship steamship City of Nanaimo for the purpose, the Y. M. C. A. of this city will hold an excursion to Salt Spring Island on Saturday next. The boat will leave at 1:30 p. m., and will proceed to the island, landing at a point yet to be determined. A fine orchestra and piano will be on board, and the Ladies' Auxiliary will provide all kinds of refreshments. There will be a full moon on the date mentioned, so that a delightful outing is assured.

On Thursday a serious bicycle accident occurred on Douglas street, the victim of which was the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. McLaren, of 33 David street. She was riding along near Dickenson's grocery store when struck by a passing cyclist and thrown heavily to the road. A number of passers-by hastened to her assistance, and a medical examination disclosing a broken collar bone. The person who was responsible has not since been heard from. This is the second or third bicycle accident that has occurred within the past fortnight, and both have been due to scorching. It is understood that the police have decided to make a determination as to put a stop to all excessively fast riding.

On Wednesday evening next, 27th inst., the Fifth Regiment band will give a grand open air concert at Strathcona hotel at Shawanigan Lake. The hotel and grounds will be brilliantly lighted by electricity. There will also be a full moon on that night. The evenings at Shawanigan Lake are beautifully warm, and one cannot imagine a more pleasant spot than the spacious veranda and balconies of the Strathcona from which to listen to a concert, there being an ample supply of comfortable chairs and lounging places, while those who prefer, may obtain excellent boats for a row on the placid waters of the lake.

Friday night the prayer service at the Y. M. C. A. was well attended. Rev. E. H. Shanks gave a stirring address on "It is Time to Pray." After the meeting closed a general revival committee was selected from the congregation, and with H. Siddall in the chair, and a sub-committee appointed to arrange revival services in outlying districts. On Friday evening the prayer service at the Y. M. C. A. will be continued, and the noonday prayer meetings held until further notice. On Sunday evening at 8:30 Rev. E. H. Shanks will take the service at the Y. M. C. A., when Mrs. Shanks is expected to sing. Services have already been arranged for Monday evening at Emmanuel Baptist and Tuesday at St. James' Methodist.

Death released from a long illness on Thursday morning Mrs. Alfred P. James, who during the Melbourne years half years has been undergoing many painful operations. Deceased was the wife of the musical director of the Troy theatre, and her only child is a young girl of character made her a favorite with all her friends. The funeral took place on Saturday from Hannu's undertaking parlors, Friends from the Roman Catholic Cathedral, where Rev. Father Leterme conducted an impressive service. A large number attended, and the funeral services were numerous. The hall-bearers were: Messrs. C. Goodenough, W. Wachter, F. LeRoy, W. Shewan, A. Montelth and H. A. Muller.

A special from Kamloops says: After 25 years of active missionary work among the Indians, Rev. Father Lejeune, O. M. I., left to-night for France, where he goes to attend a chapter of the Olatas as the representative of British Columbia. It is 25 years since the rev. father came to this province, landing at Victoria in October, 1879, and having been stationed at several missions in the interior, arrived in Kamloops in 1882, and has ever since been connected with the local mission. He is the translator and publisher of Wawa, a quarterly magazine devoted to teaching Indians phonetic writing. The publication is printed in English. There were no attendants, and has done much toward the education of the natives.

Thursday's Tacoma News says: "At the residence of the bride's parents, 812 North M street, Mrs. Mary Ferris Oberturner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ferris, was married to Mr. B. C. David Rogers, of Victoria, B. C. The ceremony was performed at 7:30 o'clock by Rev. Alfred W. Martin, and witnessed only by the immediate members of the family and a few friends. The bride was married in her going-away gown, a handsome cloth of royal blue. There were no attendants, save the groom's brother, Dr. H. B. Rogers, of Victoria, who was best man. Following the ceremony, the bridal couple left on their wedding journey to

Banff. They will reside in Victoria and be at home after the last of September. Among the out-of-town people attending the wedding were the groom's mother and sister, Mrs. H. C. Rogers, and Mrs. Harry Barnard, of Victoria, his brother, Dr. H. B. Rogers, also of Victoria, and the bride's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Ransome of Snohomish, and Mr. and Mrs. John M. Winslow, of Seattle.

H. Mortimer-Lamb has received the sad news of the death of his uncle, Col. F. Mortimer, R. A. C. B., an officer whose service included 40 years in India.

The death occurred at Halifax, N. S., on Sunday, of Mrs. Annie Sinclair Christie, wife of Wm. Christie, manager of the C. P. R. telegraph at this city. The late Mrs. Christie was 27 years and 11 months of age.

Yesterday afternoon F. Baron was the victim of a painful accident. He was driving along Beachcroft street, when his horse gave a sudden jump, loosening the seat and sending Mr. Baron back onto the road. He was picked up by one of those who had witnessed the occurrence. The force of the fall broke his collar bone, and medical attendance was immediately summoned.

The Paragon Oil Company, of which T. G. Rayner, 77 Government street, is the agent, are introducing a welcome device for housewives, which will be doubly welcome during the hot weather. This is an oil burner which generates gas from coal oil, through the agency of which it is claimed, cooking for a small family can be done for from fifteen cents to thirty cents a week. Mr. Rayner is meeting a ready sale for the article.

Oliver Clark, a well-known local resident, passed away on Wednesday at the Jubilee hospital. Deceased was a native of California, and about 50 years of age. The funeral took place today at 2:30 o'clock, from the parlors of W. J. Rogers. Members of the local Aerie of Eagles, of which deceased was a member, attended. The following acted as pallbearers: Geo. Sheppard, H. A. Miller, W. N. Ewing, Jno. Goenell, C. Westcott and W. Shewan.

The remains of the late Mrs. Jane Cockrell were laid to rest on Friday. The funeral took place from Christ Church cathedral at 10:30 a. m., where service was conducted by Rev. Hugh Allen, assisted by Rev. Archdeacon Skelton. There was a large attendance of friends at the church, and also many beautiful flowers. The following gentlemen acted pallbearers: J. S. Forman, R. J. McKicking, R. Pearson, J. H. Anthony, C. E. Robson and J. F. Mullens.

Rowland Britain, patent attorney, of Vancouver, has the following abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending June 21st, 1904. During this week the following patents were granted: Belgium; 2, Canada; 9, Cuba; 1, Great Britain; 11, France; 5, Germany; 12, Netherlands; 1, Russia; 1, and Switzerland; 1. John McLean, of Vancouver, received this week a Canadian patent on an improvement in a screw.

The miners' drilling contest, which will be held in connection with the annual exhibition of the B. C. Agricultural Association, promises to prove a splendid success. Secretary Swinerton has so far met with much encouragement in his efforts to raise the \$400 required. Messrs. J. B. Hobson and Rowland MacInch have signified their willingness to subscribe \$20 and \$10 respectively. Any others who are interested in the proposed competition and would like to assist are requested to communicate with the secretary or members of the committee.

According to a dispatch from Chemainus a serious accident took place on the train returning to Nanaimo from Duncan with the W. C. T. U. excursion last night. While the train was running about 20 miles an hour near Somenos, a young man named James McEwen, standing on the platform, lost his balance and fell off. The train went back and picked him up, taking him to Chemainus, where he was removed to the hospital in a serious condition, suffering from a fractured skull. McEwen lives in Nanaimo, but his parent resides in Ladysmith.

Cordova Bay is becoming a greater attraction every year for campers. A stage is now running between the Bay and the city, which is loaded every morning with campers. A great many tents have been erected on the mountain, and there has recently been added to the more substantial dwellings a fine new residence for Chris. Spencer. A number of more snug residences are also to be erected. Contributions are being collected towards the cost of a piano, which is to be placed in a large tent in which the campers are to find amusement in the evening.

Bandmaster Finn is preparing an exceptionally meritorious programme for the open air band concert by the Fifth Regiment band at Hotel Strathcona, Shawanigan lake, next Wednesday evening, with fine weather the outing will prove a most enjoyable one. In addition to the regular train leaving here at 4 p. m., a special train will depart for Shawanigan lake at 7:15 p. m., which will no doubt prove very convenient. Wednesday evening will witness the full moon, and in addition to this the hotel grounds at Shawanigan lake will be brilliantly illuminated by electricity, making a most picturesque scene. The fare for the round trip will be only fifty cents.

The marked presence of mind they displayed in a moment of extreme danger.

Rev. Mr. Westman conducted the services on Monday at the parlors of W. J. Rogers in connection with the funeral of the infant son of Mr. Strutt, of Alpha street.

This evening the regular quarterly meeting of the Victoria Liberal Association will be held at Pioneer hall. The chair will be taken by President J. Kingham at 7 o'clock, promptly. The very importance will be considered, and a full attendance is desired.

Liberty Soap—Bainett's is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

The board of trade has received through Thos. Barle, M. P., copies of the "Pure Foods Act" with the latest amendments. They come from the department of the interior, and Hon. Mr. Sifton has assured Mr. Barle that he will have the regulations thoroughly enforced.

P. R. Brown was one of the eight agents who voted against amalgamation with the B. C. Board of Fire Underwriters, and in response to his representation to his company has received the following telegram: "Re amalgamation, as you think best. British America Assurance Co."

Colon McKinnon, a resident of King's road, died on Monday morning at the age of 39 years and a native of Simcoe county, Ont. He was a former resident of Chemainus. He leaves among those to mourn his loss a wife and three children, a mother and two brothers. The funeral will take place from 39 King's road at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon.

A Roy, contractor, met with a painful accident on Monday. He was driving down Yates street on a heavy wagon when at the corner of Government street he fell. A heavy chain on the wagon fell on top of him and prevented him from rising in time to get away. He was rescued, and passed over him. It was believed at first that internal injuries might have been sustained, but later reports announced that Mr. Roy would be none the worse for his mishap.

At the mass meeting held in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Sunday there was a large attendance, the hall being filled. After an enthusiastic song service of about half an hour, Evangelist E. H. Skelton spoke on the subject of "Backsliders," from the text, "The will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed in Thee, because he trusteth in Thee." The interest was sustained throughout, and lasted until the Shaeks, who is an accomplished singer, delighted everyone present with a solo.

T. Bullidge has received word from Australia announcing the death of Miss Keatings, of Melbourne, from consumption. Some time ago it will be remembered that Miss Keatings was mentioned in the paper as having been drowned in the gorge. It was as a result of this accident that Miss Keatings contracted the dread disease, which has resulted in her death. The whole year round on such bleak-looking rocks would be attractive, yet the Eastwoods live in comfort and happiness.

As will be seen in the advertisement columns of the Times, on the 28th inst., the city will apply to a judge of the Supreme court for an order confirming the sale of certain properties at the tax sale held on December 30th last. Any person interested in the sale of the property to make to the order being issued should take this opportunity to do so. After the sales have been confirmed the proceeds remaining on the sale of the property sold can recover same by paying the amount of the arrears of taxes against them together with the expenses incurred by the sale and interest at the rate of 6 per cent.

According to a dispatch from Kamloops the owners of the Tree mine on Mount Sicker have closed negotiations for the purchase of the Copper King group at Cherry Creek. A. N. Gray, the vendor, while still retaining a personal interest in the report of the sale of the Copper King mine, has sent considerable ore to the Crofton smelter and is regarded as one of the best copper mines in the camp. Nothing has been made public with respect to the pecuniary consideration involved. The new owners intend to resume development on an extensive scale. The mine will be treated at the company's Ladysmith smelter. The big concentrating plant of the Iron Mask mine will start crushing next week. The completion of the buildings and the installation of the machinery is being rushed. The mine will employ 200 men when running at its full capacity.

A PRACTICE SHOOT. Members of the Victoria Gun Club gathered at Langford Plains Sunday to participate in one of the regular summer series of practice shoots. There were two distinct events—one for seniors and the other for novices also. In the former there were fifteen competitors, and some really excellent shooting was done. J. MacInch taking the leading place by a score of 21 out of a possible 25 at unknown angles. There were not so many participants in the novice shoot, but the competition was very keen. W. Peden succeeded in capturing first place by a score of 15 out of 25 angles, unknown angles. The shoot took place as usual at Langford Plains. Appended are the complete scores: Senior Event.—J. Mansell, 21; R. Jackson, 19; O. Weller, 18; T. Peden, 18; A. J. Beck, 17; W. H. Adams, 16; De Hart, 16; W. Pearce, 15; W. Peden, 15; E. J. Wall, 13; H. B. Porter, 12; C. Pearce, 12; W. H. Clifford, 12; H. Langley, 9; J. E. West, 9. Novice Event.—W. Peden, 15; W. Pearce, 14; Dr. Hart, 14; J. E. Groce, 12; C. Wenger, 10; Howe, 9; H. Langley, 8.

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INTERESTING TRIP ALONG ISLAND COAST

Newspapermen Were Given an Outing Yesterday on the Pilot Sleep Colby.

Members of the Colonist and Times staff and a number of citizens, making a party of some 10 or 12 in all, were a most delightful outing by Capt. Thompson, Bechman and William Cook in the pilot launch Colby on Sunday.

Embarking at the Dominion wharf in the inner harbor shortly after 11 o'clock, the party was taken out over one of the most beautiful and interesting stretches of water on the coast, sunshine, atmosphere and water combining to make the trip very enjoyable. The course lay along the shore line, which passes close to the island of Alberca, thence to Williams Head, and around Race Rocks. As all are aware the water which rushes between the island shore and these rocks is among the swiftest and most dangerous in these parts. To appreciate this, one has but to pass through the narrow straits in a small craft. At the Rocks an interesting treat awaited the company. The Colby was anchored on the lee shore, almost fantastically in the many shades of blue and green, and the view of the rocks to the lighthouse, which stands 118 feet high, and is one of the oldest and finest on the coast. It was erected long before confederation, and being of solid stone, remains well preserved. To the very top, up a long winding stairway, encircling the inner wall, the lighthouse stands an immense light almost twice one's height. It is a queer-looking fixture, the glass of which is prismatic, and the light is refracted into many shades in which the surface has been arranged in order that the best results may be obtained. A strong railing encloses the tower top, and from the narrow walk which it fences in one gets a fine view of all surroundings, the altitude being at a dizzy distance from the swirling waters below.

Descending the stairway, the party was then shown around the premises by the two wood boys, and the last act in connection with the construction of the magnificent pile of granite and steel which spans our noble river—the final confirmation of hopes so long and ardently desired.

"We believe that from this day will date a new era of prosperity, and it is indeed a pleasure, not only to myself, but to those who are witnesses of the fact, that two of Canada's most illustrious sons will be so closely identified with this beginning of the new order of things in the province of British Columbia. Without going into many more words, I take this public opportunity, on behalf of the corporation, of thanking the government of British Columbia for its public-spiritedness and courageous enterprise in shouldering this important provincial undertaking, for it is not only New Westminister, but the province of British Columbia at large.

Ladies and gentlemen, I thank you for your presence here today. "Your Honor, I now beg of you to formally open and dedicate this bridge to public use. "His Honor briefly expressed his thanks and his sense of the pride he felt in opening such a magnificent bridge. "It is," he said, "a grand structure and one of which the province may well be proud, and I hope that under the blessings of Providence it will be a source of prosperity to the province. And now I declare the bridge open for the purpose of which it was made."

After three hearty cheers had been given, Mayor Keary called upon the Hon. Premier, referring to him with the highest respect. "The Premier expressed his pleasure at being present at the ceremony that was so well presided over by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and said, 'I am glad to acknowledge the honor the government of British Columbia has received in the words of the Hon. Premier, and the importance of this important structure. We can hardly imagine the importance of this structure to the people of British Columbia. A few words will be said in connection with the construction of this edifice, to bind together the different parts of this province, but it was a gigantic undertaking, and for some time past had been in a despondent frame of mind. Being an old man he was unable to follow any occupation, and he keenly regretted that illness and age prevented him from supporting himself. Continued pondering over these, it is realized, led up to the determination to take his life, and yesterday when there was none around he decided upon his opportunity. He was a pioneer of Victoria, having come here forty-two years ago. He leaves three children, a son and a daughter, who reside here, and a son in Vancouver. He was a native of London, England."

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THE NEW BRIDGE FORMALLY OPENED

SATURDAY A GALA DAY ON THE FRASER

Crowds Contributed to the Success of the Holiday—Ceremony Followed by a Banquet.

The splendid structure which spans the Fraser at New Westminister was formally opened under the most distinguished auspices on Saturday. The bridge was gaily decorated with pennants and streamers, and presented an imposing appearance. There was an immense attendance, representing the B. C. City and tributary points, Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo. "It was about 1:15 p. m. that the bridge first shook with the steady progress of the train bearing the Lieutenant-Governor and his party," says the News-Advertiser in the course of the report. "The engine was decorated with ribbons and nosegays, and on the rear platform of the train stood Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, and the Hon. Richard McBride. It must have been a proud event for those whose eyes had looked forward for years to the day when the Fraser should be spanned, to see their most sanguine dreams so grandly realized.

The great arch at the head of the bridge looked truly majestic of triumph, with its row of banners floating gaily above it, and the Union Jack and Old Glory twined lovingly above the great bridge. The bridge is a masterpiece of construction of this great bridge, and as Sir Henri Joly and his party came along, a guard of honor composed of Westminister men was drawn up to receive him, and the band sounded a salute. "Under the archway at the head of the bridge Mayor Keary and several representatives of the city of New Westminister stood ready to receive their distinguished guests. In welcoming them Mayor Keary said:

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The passing of the Kestrel drew forth Bute Britanica. "Following the Kestrel was the big Victoria-Terminal ferryboat 'Victorian,' but that boat swung out of the line before the draw was reached, and she did not pass through. The other boats passing through were the steamships Beaver, Ramona, P. transfer, Favorite, Phasant, Mabel, Fiedry, Olive, Etta, White, Comet, Belle, Flyer, Constance, Reliance, Winnifred, Hongkong, Sunrise, Erie, Iris, Stampede, Nighthawk, City of Tipple, Dorothy, Westminster, Esperanza, Cancro, Spray, May Queen, Stranger, Kanam, 'H. DOK.' D. G. S. G. P. Following the opening ceremony a banquet was held at the warehouse of Messrs. Armstrong & Morrison, at which about 170 guests were present. Mayor Keary presided, and the toast list included speeches by His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, Premier McBride, Hon. R. F. Green, Hon. Chas. Wilson, Mr. Widdall, Mr. Morrison, Colonel Dudley, Superintendent Donovan, Mr. Butzen and others.

PERSONAL

Sidney Heald, of the firm of Dixie H. Ross & Co., left for a two months' trip to England and Scotland on Thursday. While away he will visit the principal manufacturing establishments, taking careful notes for his own information. Mr. Heald left his home in the Old Country over sixteen years ago, and is therefore eager to see his parents again as well as renew old acquaintances.

High R. McIntyre, cashier of the Times Printing & Publishing Company, and Mrs. McIntyre left on Saturday by the steamer Whatcom on route for Whangpoo. They will proceed via the Great Northern to the P. G. and will spend several weeks at their former home there, beside visiting the Dominion exposition now on in the Prairie capital.

According to M. Pichon, the Japanese soldier has muscles like whipcord, is a sure shot, has an eye for landmarks and a memory for locality. He can do with three hours' sleep out of the twenty-four, is cleanly, attends to sanitary instructions, and is ardently patriotic.

BORN.

WOOD—On the 22nd inst., the wife of Alfred Wood, of a daughter. DENISON-WALBRAN—At St. James' church, Victoria, on July 21st, by the Rev. David Dunlop, F. Napier Deane, son of the late Lt.-Col. R. B. Denison, of "Bellevue," Toronto, to Ethel Whatquest, daughter of Captain J. T. Whatquest, of Victoria. ROGERS-ROBERTS—In Tacoma, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. D. M. Roberts, barrister, Victoria, to Mary Adeline Oberturner, daughter of J. M. Ferris, Esq.

DIED.

JAMES—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 21st inst., Elizabeth James, beloved wife of Alfred Prior James, aged 82 years, a native of St. Louis, Missouri, U. S. A. CHRISTIE—At Halifax, N. S., on 24th July, 1904, after a long illness, Annie Sinclair, beloved wife of William Christie, manager of the B. C. P. R. Co.'s telegraph office, who died aged 72 years and 11 months. BROWN—On the 24th inst., at his residence, Green street, Joseph Henry Brown, aged 75 years, and a native of London, England.

ARRANGEMENTS THE B.

PROMISES TO BE UNQUALIFIED

Splendid Programme Has Band Will Be in Features of

The third annual picnic at Sidney on Thursday will be a huge success. Preparations have been made and the programme will be a splendid one. The City band will be in the picnic to the pleasure of the whole town, but grocers, produce merchants and tinmiths will store for the day. All requests by the sports programme will be started. Arrival of the train: Lunch will be served on the train. The day's outing will be a dance in the pavilion, supplying the music for the picnic.

The program will be as follows: 1. Baseball match, mercenary, by R. P. Rithet. 2. Girls' race, for girls under 75 yards—1st prize, Windsor Grocery; 2nd prize, Windsor Grocery; 3rd prize, by Simon Leiser. 3. Boys' race, for boys under 75 yards—1st prize, Simon Leiser; 2nd prize, Simon Leiser; 3rd prize, Simon Leiser. 4. Girls' race, for girls under 50 yards—1st prize, West End; 2nd prize, Simon Leiser; 3rd prize, Simon Leiser. 5. Boys' race, 9 years, 75 yards—1st prize, goods 75 yards; 2nd prize, goods 75 yards; 3rd prize, goods 75 yards. 6. Young ladies' race, 75 yards—1st prize, J. T. McDoon; 2nd prize, J. T. McDoon; 3rd prize, J. T. McDoon. 7. Obstacle race, open to special prize, F. R. Steverson, sack four, Baker & Co. 8. Cambridge race, Janitor. 9. Retail grocers' race, silver cup, by S. J. Janitor. 10. Retail grocers' race, tin Cambridge sausage, Janitor. 11. Bookkeepers and Salt yard—1st prize, 2nd prize, 3rd prize, 1 lb. Tetterley, by 1 lb. 12. Sack race, for married men, by 1 lb. 13. Sack race, for single men, by 1 lb. 14. Sack race, for 1 lb. 15. Sack race, for 1 lb. 16. Sack race, for 1 lb. 17. Sack race, for 1 lb. 18. Sack race, for 1 lb. 19. Sack race, for 1 lb. 20. Sack race, for 1 lb. 21. Sack race, for 1 lb. 22. Sack race, for 1 lb. 23. Sack race, for 1 lb. 24. Sack race, for 1 lb. 25. Sack race, for 1 lb. 26. Sack race, for 1 lb. 27. Sack race, for 1 lb. 28. Sack race, for 1 lb. 29. Sack race, for 1 lb. 30. Sack race, for 1 lb. 31. Sack race, for 1 lb. 32. Sack race, for 1 lb. 33. Sack race, for 1 lb. 34. Sack race, for 1 lb. 35. Sack race, for 1 lb. 36. Sack race, for 1 lb. 37. Sack race, for 1 lb. 38. Sack race, for 1 lb. 39. Sack race, for 1 lb. 40. Sack race, for 1 lb. 41. Sack race, for 1 lb. 42. Sack race, for 1 lb. 43. Sack race, for 1 lb. 44. Sack race, for 1 lb. 45. Sack race, for 1 lb. 46. Sack race, for 1 lb. 47. Sack race, for 1 lb. 48. Sack race, for 1 lb. 49. Sack race, for 1 lb. 50. Sack race, for 1 lb. 51. Sack race, for 1 lb. 52. Sack race, for 1 lb. 53. Sack race, for 1 lb. 54. Sack race, for 1 lb. 55. Sack race, for 1 lb. 56. Sack race, for 1 lb. 57. Sack race, for 1 lb. 58. Sack race, for 1 lb. 59. Sack race, for 1 lb. 60. Sack race, for 1 lb. 61. Sack race, for 1 lb. 62. Sack race, for 1 lb. 63. Sack race, for 1 lb. 64. Sack race, for 1 lb. 65. Sack race, for 1 lb. 66. Sack race, for 1 lb. 67. Sack race, for 1 lb. 68. Sack race, for 1 lb. 69. Sack race, for 1 lb. 70. Sack race, for 1 lb. 71. Sack race, for 1 lb. 72. Sack race, for 1 lb. 73. Sack race, for 1 lb. 74. Sack race, for 1 lb. 75. Sack race, for 1 lb. 76. Sack race, for 1 lb. 77. Sack race, for 1 lb. 78. Sack race, for 1 lb. 79. Sack race, for 1 lb. 80. Sack race, for 1 lb. 81. Sack race, for 1 lb. 82. Sack race, for 1 lb. 83. Sack race, for 1 lb. 84. Sack race, for 1 lb. 85. Sack race, for 1 lb. 86. Sack race, for 1 lb. 87. Sack race, for 1 lb. 88. Sack race, for 1 lb. 89. Sack race, for 1 lb. 90. Sack race, for 1 lb. 91. Sack race, for 1 lb. 92. Sack race, for 1 lb. 93. Sack race, for 1 lb. 94. Sack race, for 1 lb. 95. Sack race, for 1 lb. 96. Sack race, for 1 lb. 97. Sack race, for 1 lb. 98. Sack race, for 1 lb. 99. Sack race, for 1 lb. 100. Sack race, for 1 lb. 101. Sack race, for 1 lb. 102. Sack race, for 1 lb. 103. Sack race, for 1 lb. 104. Sack race, for 1 lb. 105. Sack race, for 1 lb. 106. Sack race, for 1 lb. 107. Sack race, for 1 lb. 108. Sack race, for 1 lb. 109. Sack race, for 1 lb. 110. Sack race, for 1 lb. 111. Sack race, for 1 lb. 112. Sack race, for 1 lb. 113. Sack race, for 1 lb. 114. Sack race, for 1 lb. 115. Sack race, for 1 lb. 116. Sack race, for 1 lb. 117. Sack race, for 1 lb. 118. Sack race, for 1 lb. 119. Sack race, for 1 lb. 120. Sack race, for 1 lb. 121. Sack race, for 1 lb. 122. Sack race, for 1 lb. 123. Sack race, for 1 lb. 124. Sack race, for 1 lb. 125. Sack race, for 1 lb. 126. Sack race, for 1 lb. 127. Sack race, for 1 lb. 128. Sack race, for 1 lb. 129. Sack race, for 1 lb. 130. Sack race, for 1 lb. 131. Sack race, for 1 lb. 132. Sack race, for 1 lb. 133. Sack race, for 1 lb. 134. Sack race, for 1 lb. 135. Sack race, for 1 lb. 136. Sack race, for 1 lb. 137. Sack race, for 1 lb. 138. Sack race, for 1 lb. 139. Sack race, for 1 lb. 140. Sack race, for 1 lb. 141. Sack race, for 1 lb. 142. Sack race, for 1 lb. 143. Sack race, for 1 lb. 144. Sack race, for 1 lb. 145. Sack race, for 1 lb. 146. Sack race, for 1 lb. 147. Sack race, for 1 lb. 148. Sack race, for 1 lb. 149. Sack race, for 1 lb. 150. Sack race, for 1 lb. 151. Sack race, for 1 lb. 152. Sack race, for 1 lb. 153. Sack race, for 1 lb. 154. Sack race, for 1 lb. 155. Sack race, for 1 lb. 156. Sack race, for 1 lb. 157. Sack race, for 1 lb. 158. Sack race, for 1 lb. 159

