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Co.
The objective point of a railroad to tap the great mineral reserve. Self-protection and loyalty to home interests demand that this trade shall be kept in his country.

"Then there is another and more direct reason for building a road in the north. The provincial government has annually for twenty-five years to pay the interest on bonds given for building the Shuswap and Okanagan railway and navigation system, which is at the present time non-supporting. Now it is recognized that in connection with the Shuswap and Okanagan would take an immediate start, and the government would be relieved of the burden of supporting it. It is therefore almost certain that a road from Penticton, on the Okanagan river into the Boundary country, will be completed in the near future.

"The provincial government has offered a bonus of \$4,000 per mile to the railroad which shall first complete a line into this section, and both the Canadian Pacific, which owns the system between Penticton and the main line, and the Columbia & Western, which is at the present time non-supporting, are anxious to let such an offer go by the board. The Heintze smelter at Trail is capable of being enlarged to practically an unlimited capacity, and the mineral resources of the Boundary district are an undoubted attraction for him. Should the Columbia Western be the first road to reach here, there will certainly be a trade understanding reached with the Canadian Pacific."

The first municipal election in Grand Forks is to be held next Saturday and every other town in the province is temporarily suspended. John A. Manly and P. T. McCallum have been nominated for mayor and the contest will be a close one. The candidates give promise of being able to carry through from present indications there is little doubt of Manly's election. Mr. Manly has been an energetic and industrious man with every movement tending to advance the city's interests, while his opponent endeavored to defeat the incorporation and is opposed to the city's interests which are being taken to invite investment and settlement in this city.

Is Consumption Contagious?
The question of contagion for those afflicted with consumption is being widely discussed by the health boards of the great cities. Many leading scientists believe this method of checking the disease is practicable and that the pharmacopoeia must furnish the means of eradication. The discovery of Dr. Stevens of "Cannabine Saliva" the East Indian Consumption Cure, is the greatest step towards the eradication of this dreadful disease. Thousands of cases, pronounced hopeless, have been entirely cured, and there is every reason to believe that the disease will be entirely closed a stamp and the cure will be mailed free. Address W. A. Noyes, Powers' Block, Rochester, N.Y.

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Stages for the undermentioned points leave ASHROFT as follows:
Clinton and Way Points—Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
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FOR CATARRH,
Colds, Sores and Burns.
Pure Eucalyptus Oil, 35c; Post Free.
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Stamps Taken.
FLITTON PROP., Vancouver. jao
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
It is HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:
WILLIAM WRIGHT WILLIAMS, of Clonmel, Ireland, to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Victoria. ap28
STRAYED OR STOLEN from Royal Oak Hotel, dark pony (mare), nearly black, branded on right hip. If seen, please notify by calling at Bray's Livery Stable, Johnson St. ap28

STARVING SOLDIERS.

Greek Army Had to Live on Bread and Water While Fighting.
Mad With Hunger They Broke Open Stores Regardless of Discipline.

ATHENS, May 11.—The note of the powers was presented at 4:30 a.m. by Mr. Tsou to M. Skouzes who waited until that hour. The following is the text of the document:
"The representatives of France, Italy, Great Britain, Germany and Austria, charge M. Onou, the representative of Russia, a dozen of the diplomatic corps, to declare in the name of the respective governments that the powers are ready to offer mediation with the view of obtaining an armistice and smooth the difficulties existing between Greece and Turkey on condition that the Hellenic government proceed to recall its troops from Crete and to adhere formally to the autonomy of Crete and accept unreservedly the conditions which the powers give in the interests of peace."

The reply of the Greek government is as follows:
"The royal government, in taking the note and declaration of the Russian representative acting in the name of the ministers of the powers, declare that they will proceed to recall the royal troops from Crete, adhere formally to autonomy for Crete, and confine the interest of Crete to the hands of the powers."

CANEA, Island of Crete, May 11.—Two Greek steamers will embark four hundred Greek soldiers at Platania to-morrow.
CONSTANTINOPLE, May 11.—The expenses of the war with Greece are estimated at \$5,000,000, which Greece will pay as an indemnity in annual instalments.

LONDON, May 11.—A dispatch to the Standard from Constantinople says it is reported that orders have been sent out the mobilization of the fifth and sixth army corps reserves stationed at Bagdad, and for the immediate dispatch of fifty battalions to Koneh. These preparations, which involve an expenditure of \$2,000,000, are unable to bear, cannot be required against Greece and they excite anxiety as indicating that Turkey is preparing to start an expedition to Constantinople. The Turkish army, which has been in the possession of Mount Sceloporus, is the greatest step towards the eradication of this dreadful disease. Thousands of cases, pronounced hopeless, have been entirely cured, and there is every reason to believe that the disease will be entirely closed a stamp and the cure will be mailed free. Address W. A. Noyes, Powers' Block, Rochester, N.Y.

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J. W. MELLOR,
76-78 Fort Street, above Douglas.
WALL PAPERS, GLASS, PAINTS, ETC. my18

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QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

The Flynn Administration Badly Defeated the Opposition Sweeping the Province.
Full Returns Give the Liberals a Majority of Thirty-Three.

MONTRÉAL, May 11.—(Special)—The result of the provincial elections to-day was a sweeping victory for the Liberals, who have elected 63 members against 19 Conservatives and 1 Independent.
Gagnon, the Liberal candidate in St. Maurice, this morning resigned. Duplessis, the Conservative candidate, is therefore elected by acclamation. There was very fine weather for the provincial elections here. In this city several arrests were made for alleged fraudulent attempts to vote, but on the whole, the day passed off quietly.

St. Lawrence—Dugas, Liberal, 4 majority.
Quebec East—Shehen, Liberal, 967 majority.
St. Sauveur—Parent, Liberal, 1,825 majority.
Laprairie—Cherrier, Liberal, 100 majority.
Charlevoix—Danteuil, Conservative, 100 majority.
Chicoutimi—Péit, Liberal, 300 ahead.
Two Mountains—Champagne, Liberal, elected.
Yamaska—Gladu, Liberal, 110 majority.
Dorchester—Pelletier, Conservative, ahead so far.
Vercheres—Blanchard, Liberal, elected.
Bimouche—Tessier, Liberal, elected.
Napierville—David, Lib., 264 majority.
Drummond—Watts, Lib., majority 281.
Sherbrooke—Panneton, 417 ahead.
Terrebonne—Carrier, Lib., 72 ahead.
Huntingdon—Stephens, Lib., 238 ahead.

St. Jovite—Gosselin, Lib., elected 712; Poitlin, Con., loses his deposit.
Montreal—St. Mary's division, LaCombe, Lib., 914 majority; St. Lawrence—Atwater, Con., 261 majority; St. James—Gouin, Lib., 779 majority; St. Louis—Rainville, Lib., 615 majority; St. Charles—Richard, Lib., 23 majority; St. Ann's—Guérin, Lib., 77.
Hocheville county—Decearie, Lib., 1,300.
Jacques Cartier—Chauvart, Lib., 12 majority.
Two Mountains—Champagne, Lib., large majority.
Chicoutimi—Robitard, Lib., majority 800.
L'Orignal—Laliberté, Lib., majority 398.
Argenteuil—Weir, Lib., elected.
Portneuf—Tessier, Lib., over 200 majority.
Nicolet—Ball, Con., 850 majority.
Montmagny—Bernatchez, Lib., 18 majority; two polls more.
Saguenay—Nante, Con., 200 majority.
Valdieu—Complete returns show LaCombe, Lib., elected by 37 majority.
Matiac—Pineau, Lib., 200 ahead so far.
Vercheres—Blanchard, Lib., majority 182, one poll more.
Beland, Lib., 200; few polls to hear from.
Ottawa County—Major, Lib., 493 majority.
Follet—Dechene, Lib., has about 200 majority.
Montmorency—Bouffard, Con., election contested; full returns unavailable to-night.

In the last general elections the figures stood Conservatives 50 and Liberals 22, the Liberals are in great glee to-night over the result at the polls to-day while the Conservatives are disappointed. The Liberals are being sustained by at least a small majority and did not dream of defeat. The election on the whole was a very quiet one, but there can be no question that agitation for educational reform caused many Conservatives to vote in the Liberal camp. Mr. Marcell, the young journalist of the Star, is six ahead of Premier Flynn in Gaspe, as far as heard. Another surprise is the victory of Robert Elickerle in St. Antoine division in Montreal. Minister of Agriculture Beaubien is beaten by three hundred.

MONTRÉAL, May 12.—(Special)—Later returns of the Quebec elections report Conservative increases in several constituencies reported as Liberal last night. Full returns from Yamaska give Mondon, Conservative, three majority. Final returns from Gaspe give Premier Flynn, Conservative, the election there by seven majority. In Terrebonne corrected returns show Hon. Mr. Nantel, Conservative, elected by 291. In Two Mountains the votes stand: Campaigne, Liberal, 343, and Beauchamp, Conservative, 345. Revised returns from Sagot give McDonald, Conservative, the election there by 80 majority. Late returns give the Liberals 51 and Conservatives 22. Referring to the result of the provincial elections the Gazette states that it is not due to mistake on the part of the late government, but it is rather ascribed to the remarkable enthusiasm which is taken by the people. A telegram from patriots last year, and which is evidently now at its height. The Conservatives are beaten, but not humiliated. They will continue their work as an opposition for the province, confident that with the lapse of time their opportunity will come again, and perhaps before very long.

MONTRÉAL, May 11.—(Special)—Les Nouvelles gives currency to the report of important ecclesiastical changes as the result of the visit of Mgr. Merry del Val. The views of Premier Greenway and Archbishop Langevin on the school question are so irreconcilably divergent that according to the report it has been decided to transfer the matter. It is proposed to allow Mgr. Grandin, bishop of St. Albert, who is old and infirm, to retire, and to erect an archbishopric at St. Albert and transfer Mgr. Langevin there and finally to make Mgr. Emard, bishop of Valleyfield, archbishop of St. Boniface.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—During the debate in the Senate on the Morgan Cuban resolution to-day, a strong plea was made by its reference to the committee on foreign relations, on the ground that the state department is in possession of recent official information on the Cuban question, which, it is considered should be consulted in action by Congress. This particular information to which reference was made, consists in the main of a report by Consul-General Lee, dated the latter part of April, in which he deals with the general situation and presents all the facts at his command without making any recommendation as to the policy to be pursued by this government.
There is a barber's shop in Houlton, Me., in which Hannibal Hamlin, Fred Douglass, Blaine, Garfield, Theodore Tilton and President McKinley are said to have sat.

INDIAN DEPARTMENT.

WINNIPEG, May 11.—(Special)—Under rearrangement of the Indian department service in Manitoba and Territories, the Manitoba superintendency has been divided into three districts. Mr. McColl, the present superintendent, will have supervision of reserves on Lake Winnipeg, the Nelson river, and on the Saskatchewan as far west as Cumberland House. His head office will be in Winnipeg. Mr. Leveque, of the Indian office here, will have supervision of reserves eastward of Fort Portage to St. Vannes, and S. R. Marlat, of Portage la Prairie, has been appointed inspector of reserves in Mr. Ouellet's and Mr. Martineau's agencies, comprising the Lake Manitoba, Assiniboine and Roseau river reserves. The services of all the present office staff in Winnipeg, with the exception of Mr. McColl and Mr. Leveque, will be dispensed with. Indian Commissioner Forget will remove his headquarters from Regina to Winnipeg and bring five of his clerks here.

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LONDON, May 12.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says that the anonymous subscription of a million francs to the charity bazaar fund is now known to be the collection of members of the Rothschild family.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure
Celebrated for its great leavening strength and its purity in the manufacture of all kinds of bread, cakes, pastries, etc.
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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Has to Pay Five Hundred Dollars for a Defective Sidewalk.
VANCOUVER, May 12.—(Special)—The funeral of Mrs. David Oppenheimer will take place in New York to-morrow (Thursday), where many of her relatives reside. She was 42 years of age at the time of her death.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Two Friends Company took place yesterday, when it was announced that the mine had been a disappointment to the company and work had been stopped. The suit for damages brought against the city of Vancouver for injuries received by Mrs. Thos. Smith by reason of a defective sidewalk, was to-day decided in favor of the plaintiff, who was awarded \$500.

WESTMINSTER.
NEW WESTMINSTER, May 12.—(Special)—The spring assizes opened in New Westminster yesterday. The cases on the calendar are: Tames George charged with the murder of an Indian woman at Langley; W. T. Jones, shop breaking; Sam Mun, attempted rape; Lee Long, attempted rape; Charles Linstrom, theft; F. R. Robertson, attempted rape. Mr. Justice Drake and Justice Bolé are presiding. In the case of Linstrom for theft a trial bill was brought in. Linstrom and Norovitz, his former partner, were prosecuted and found guilty. A verdict of guilty was returned and a two months' imprisonment with hard labor.

THE TRIAL OF TENNES GEORGE FOR MURDER was in progress all day, and is expected to last three days, as there are 50 witnesses. Susan, the wife of the man said to be murdered, swore that the prisoner had procured poison and asked her to give it to her husband.
DUNCAN.
DUNCAN, May 10.—Capt. Poole took the stage to-day for Cowichan lake to hunt for bear in that locality. Louis White, brought down from Cheamus by Constable G. Cassidy, and charged before H. O. Wellburne and F. H. Maitland-Dougall, J.P., with stealing a watch there on Saturday last, was at the court house to-day convicted of the offence, and committed to Nanaimo jail for two months.
The farmers in this district have, as a rule, finished seeding and planting, and the fields and orchards are looking green. While the fruit trees, well filled with blossoms, promise an ample crop. Capt. Addington, who has been enjoying good sport amongst the trout at Cowichan lake, to-day for his home on Pender Island.

VANCOUVER, May 12.—(Special)—The eleventh annual conference of the Methodist church opened in Homer street church this morning. There were 51 ministers and 41 lay members present. After the opening of the ministerial session by Rev. O. Ledner of Roseland, Rev. Dr. Carman, superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, at his request took the chair and will preside during the conference. The resignations of Rev. R. R. Maitland and Rev. J. E. Gardner were accepted. The conference adjourned at 4 o'clock to allow the College board to meet.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Closing bids: Wheat options opened steady and advanced sharply on active foreign buying, higher cash and bad Illinois and California reports giving way in the afternoon to general realizing, small clearances and short selling, closed unchanged to 1/4 net advance. No. 2 red, 80 1/2; closed 79 1/2; September, 78 1/2 to 77 1/2; closed 76 1/2.
Pig iron, easy, Southern, 10.05; Northern, 12; copper, steady, brokers 11, exchange 10 1/2; lead, quiet and steady, brokers 3.12 1/2; exchange 3.30 to 3.35; tin, firm, straits, 34; plates, weak; spelter, steady, domestic, 4.10 to 4.20.
CHICAGO, May 12.—Wheat No. 2, 74 1/2; July 73 1/2; Sept. 69 1/2.
Mining Companies' office stationary a specialty at the Colosier office. x

My Neighbor Told Me
About Hood's Sarsaparilla and advised me to try it—This is the kind of advertising which Hood's Sarsaparilla has done in the world. Friend tells friend that Hood's Sarsaparilla is good, and that it is good for the health, vitality and vigor, and whole neighborhoods use it as a family medicine.
Hood's Pills act easily and promptly on the liver and bowels. Cure the headache.
The manuscript of the "Marseilles Hymn" by Rouget de L'Isle, sold at Paris auction the other day for 2,850 francs, which is at the rate of 47 1/2 francs for every line which it composes verse.

THE CITY'S BUSINESS.

Mayor Redfern and Ald. Partridge Dispose of Their Difference of Opinion.

Victoria's Assessment for the Current Year—No Free Water for Sampling Works.

Last night's meeting of the city council produced, as had been anticipated, a crossing of swords between His Worship the Mayor and Ald. Partridge, chairman of the fire wardens, with reference to the inquiry conducted by that committee on Thursday evening last.

LETTERS TO THE BOARD. The order of communications did not contain any business of special general interest.

William Nicholas asked, on behalf of himself and other residents of Oaklands, for a sidewalk on Oakland avenue.

Joseph Knox offered \$10 for the old wagon now stored in the market building.

The secretary of the Victoria Wheelmen's Club, H. R. Ellis, submitted the suggestions of that organization with regard to the bicycle by-law now before the council.

St. John N. B., April 8, 1897. Sir:—The city of St. John is now in position to appeal to the Privy Council from the judgment of the Supreme Court of this province making absolute the rule to quash the assessment against one Timothy Burke, a Dominion employee, and is well pleased to provide the same in Canada will share the cost in connection therewith.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS. First in the order of reports was that from City Engineer Wilnot with reference to the Beaver Lake filter beds, which is published in full elsewhere in this issue.

TOTALLY DESTROYED.

The Sealing Schooner "Maud S." Strikes on North Island and Seals Her Fate.

Narrow Escape of Captain and Crew—Loss \$12,000, Partially Covered by Insurance.

A gale of wind, a dark night and a treacherous coast line were the three potent factors in the destruction of still another of the unfortunate sealing fleet, the schooner Maud S., commanded by Capt. McKiel and owned by Messrs. McKiel & Smith.

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JOHN ROSS, who ten days ago disappeared from his usual haunts in town, under circumstances leading to the conclusion that he was in a suicidal mood, was found dead in the woods near the Gorge Hotel last Sunday. A knife found in a coil of rope indicated that he had taken his own life. He was a native of the north, and a revolver with one chamber fired showed how he had answered his own inquiry. A jury of which Mr. Wilnot was chairman, yesterday heard the evidence in the unfortunate affair and returned a verdict of suicide. The coroner will take place this afternoon.

THE CITY.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM GRANT forwarded to London, Eng., via a steamer, this morning eight and a half casks seal skins—the first shipment that has been dispatched this season.

REV. SOLOMON CLEAVER officiated on Sunday at the funeral of Mrs. Wilson of Park street, who passed away on Friday at the age of 82. Her husband, being W. J. Crull, A. Lind, P. Young, C. McKenzie, G. Milatiate and C. Peterson.

At a largely attended meeting of the Sons of St. George last evening, Mr. W. Kent was presented with a valuable gold watch chain, originating in the most recent of the term ending with the worthy President, W. H. Price.

No word has yet been received from Superintendent Husey, and it is now feared that the same complication has arisen to prevent his immediate return from San Francisco with the prisoners secured for the robbery of Chalmers, Mitchell & Co.'s Rossland house.

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POINT ELLICE DISASTER.

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In Kossiah Quarry vs. The Queen, before the Full court yesterday, the evidence against the bank of B. N. was examined, after which argument on the question of the time for the appeal was heard, judgment being reserved.

A motion was made in Bowness vs. the City and Tramway Co. for leave to appeal to the Privy Council from the judgment of the Full court refusing to strike out one of the defendants.

The Marquis Ito has been well known to the world as an able statesman. It was he who conducted successfully the political part of the recent war between Japan and China.

Japan will distinguish herself most prominently at the jubilee in the person of His Imperial Highness Prince Takehito, who was already left Japan by the French mail steamer—the Marquis Ito representing the nation and the government.

What We Inherit. We are not to blame for. We cannot be held responsible for the sins of our ancestors, nor which we derive from our stock, nor any manifest themselves in our blood.

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The leakage observable through the walls and through the open joints between the concrete floor and the side of the culverts was sufficient to account for the water overflowing from the beds. The leaks through the walls, especially through the main dam wall, which is about eight feet thick, is evidence of faulty construction, resulting either from an insufficient quantity of cement being used or carelessness in mixing the concrete, or from both causes combined. The open joints alongside the culverts are due to the settlement of the concrete, but they lead to results which the contractors assumed the responsibility to guard against.

The endeavor of the contractors to place the responsibility of their departure from the specification, as regards thickness of concrete floor upon the engineer, has evidently produced the impression on the minds of some of the workmen that the cause of the leakage cited are not affected by the thickness of the floor. If, in addition to the defects above referred to, the concrete floor also is ruptured, it would not matter in the least whether that floor was 4 inches or 6 inches, or even 16 inches in thickness, it would have ruptured all the same, if the filter material on which it rested had settled unevenly, on account of its variable depth, or if the concrete was constructed in a defective manner, or if the pressure of water due to the difference of level of high water in the lake and the floor of the filter bed. In a recent communication to the council from the contractors it was given to be understood that it was the custom for the engineer to give verbal instructions for alterations in the contract, and that conclusion was mainly arrived at from a statement made by Mr. Brown (late clerk of the works) at an investigation recently held to the effect that no written instructions were given for the alteration of the iron covers of the valve chambers, when, the fact is, written instructions were so given, and a copy taken in the copying letter book, of which Mr. Brown had the custody at Beaver lake, and reads as follows:

April 24, 1896. Mr. Baines.—The cast-iron girders for the chambers at the lake are too light; they will require to be replaced by heavier iron, of the form shown in the accompanying sketch; the object of having the bottom flanges in that it may be firmly built into the wall in order to prevent the plate rising. The plates will also require to be bolted down to the brickwork, as explained to your workmen. Yours truly, (Sd.) E. A. WILMOT.

The reason that the engineer did not notice the difference in thickness of the concrete floor was built and as specified can easily be understood from a description of the manner in which the work of laying the floor was carried out.

The concrete was laid in strips of about 8 feet in width, across the filter bed, the former being 6 inches in depth, after a strip of concrete had been laid and the frame removed the side of the concrete exposed would show a depth of six inches as required by the specification, so that the engineer in charge or any one else not suspecting deception would be justified in concluding that the thickness of the concrete laid thereon was the same as that exposed to view, such however is not the case, the fact

being established by an examination of the floor, that the thickness of concrete is only four or four and a half inches excepting at one side of the joint between two adjoining strips. This fact was ascertained through the caretaker at the lake being instructed to cut out a section of concrete at a joint of two adjoining strips during the construction, one side of the strip would be exposed to view on removal of the frame. The section he procured, and which still exists, shows the concrete to be just about six inches in depth along the vertical joint which would be exposed to view on the removal of the frame, but immediately back of that the concrete is only four inches in depth.

If, as the contractors state, the engineer gave instructions to lay the concrete floor four or four and a half inches thick, why did they make the side which would be exposed to view during construction six inches deep. When the shutting strip, the side elevation of which would not be so exposed is, according to the section obtained, only four inches thick, unless it was with intent to mislead. It could not have been for the purpose of strengthening the joint, for although the concrete at one side of the joint is six inches deep, that at the other side is only four, and consequently has the strength only of a joint five inches in depth. The contractors represent that because there has been less thickness of concrete used in the floor of the filter beds than that specified, and that this departure from the specifications is the cause of the failure of the works as they exist at present, and that the engineer authorized the change; therefore the city is responsible in the matter. In this connection I beg to state:

1. That the thickness of the concrete floor, the main dam being six inches, has no bearing whatever on the efficiency of the works, so long as it imposes an impermeable coating between the ground and the filtered water. 2. That the leakage through the concrete walls is due solely to bad construction for which the contractors only are responsible, and these leaks have no connection whatever with the thickness of the concrete floor.

I would respectfully submit, with all due deference to your honorable body, that as in some of the questions connected with the construction of the filter bed works, there are involved those of a hydraulic and hydrostatic nature which can be intelligently decided on only by expert authority, so such I trust they may be referred to there should exist any doubt in your minds as to the conclusions I have arrived at in any of such questions. E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

A TRAPPER'S TRIALS.

Joseph Morovitz has just arrived at Portuluc on his second visit to civilization in seven months. In company with Chas. Lundstrum he left Deming, Wash., on the 20th of October last, bound for the headwaters of Chilliwack lake, where the two proposed to put in the winter trapping. Lundstrum claimed to be well acquainted with the lake, and was leaving Deming with eight pack horses to Hamilton, Nooksack river. From there to the lake it was supposed to be only five or six miles, and the two horse started out again with the expectation of reaching the lake in about a week. With smooth travelling the distance might well be covered in any hour, but when the numerous difficulties to be surmounted in an expedition of the kind are considered, the packing of 1,600 pounds of supplies, etc., through a country where even a trail is a novelty and where occasionally horse and pack would have to be belowered over steep declivities as though down the side of a house, the time seems not unreasonable.

But a week was not sufficient to bring them to their journey's end, and forty-one days elapsed before a place had been reached where the lake was reached—and that, too, after the hardest experiences. Five days out the horse had to be well acquainted with the heavy snowfalls and the lack of feed, and the creek that was used for a guide was crossed and recrossed 27 times, now and again by means of trees felled for the purpose. By wading the men, up to their waists, carrying their outfit in 100-pound quantities, these weeks were spent on the Chilliwack river trapping martins, but had luck being met with, the two decided to continue on their way to the lake 30 miles away.

Ten miles of this distance was travelled when a stop over of a day was taken to replenish the long-haunted supplies. The hunt, according to Morovitz, started early in the morning, and was instituted in an independent way, each man taking a different course. Morovitz says he did not return to camp until night, when to his surprise he found his partner missing. After waiting an hour or so until darkness came on he came to the conclusion that Lundstrum was lost. Eating a lonely supper he determined on searching no more until early morning, and when finished with his meal went to his valley. To his astonishment he found \$30 of his money gone. Lundstrum's disappearance was then explained and Morovitz concluding that his man had suddenly taken his departure for Blaine, on the American side, made the best of his position and gathered up the entire effects of the expedition, which were strewn ten miles along the road and which all belonged to him, and building a small shack spent a fairly successful month trapping. On his arrival at Chilliwack he learned that Lundstrum was in Vancouver and immediately swore out a warrant for his arrest. The prisoner was brought to Vancouver, where he stood a preliminary hearing and was sent up for trial at the assizes this week. Morovitz afterwards returned to his shack near the lake and has not been there since. He found the little fur-bearing animal in great number but considers himself more fortunate in the discovery of some rich gold-bearing quartz.

Proof from the People. Mr. Geo. Buskin, missionary for the International Mission in Algona and North West. He writes: "I have written you a letter from Wild Strawberry, which has been to me a wonderful, soothing, speedy and effective remedy. It has been my companion for several years during the labors and exposures of my life, and I have seen it cure many old and young to have it in store against the time of need, which so often comes without warning." GEO. BUSKIN, Missionary, Toronto, Ont.

THE SESSON'S WORK.

Many Important Bills Added to the Statute Book of British Columbia.

All the Industries of the Province Have Been Well Looked After.

The government merits the approbation of the whole country for the way in which it conducted the session of the legislature that was brought to a close yesterday. To meet the necessities of the time many new and important measures respecting divers industries had to be passed, and the three months' sitting has finished without any matter of real moment being left unduly with.

In the rush of bringing a session to a close there is generally a wholesale slaughter of the innocents, but on this occasion Hon. Mr. Turner and his colleagues put through all their measures except two, which cannot be considered of pressing moment. The first of these is a bill to amend the act respecting the proposed amendment to the school act. This last named was brought in at the request of the city council of Victoria and was designed to allow three members of the council of cities to sit on the board of school trustees. The second is a bill to amend the act respecting the railway bill, which was introduced by Hon. Mr. Turner and the government acted wisely in withdrawing it. The list of bills passed, which is given elsewhere, shows that the work has been done for the country. That list does not include the "Speedy Incorporation of Cities Act" and the act to specify correct and complete in the British Columbia Southern Railway Act. These two measures were assented to very early in the session, and to the credit of the government and the dignity of cities.

Glancing down the list of measures that received the royal assent yesterday, it is not difficult to see the importance of the railway bill. The government measures in this respect have been fully noticed, and the country is certainly to be congratulated on the steps that the ministry has taken to further the development of the industry of the province and make them accessible. Mining matters received very full attention at the session of the legislature, and the government has in this connection the companies bill—although meant to cover all undertakings of a public nature as well as mining companies, and the railway bill, which will help more, perhaps, than anything else to keep down the over capitalization of mining companies, which has threatened recently to cripple the industry in this province; and moreover, while consolidating into one the numerous laws which formerly referred to corporations, it will serve to protect the interests of the people in the fullest possible manner. Besides this bill, the government has introduced a measure which has been in force since the 1st of January, and which is intended to give an inspector of metalliferous mines, whose duty will be to see that the safety and good health of the miners is protected, after Farmers, alike with miners, have been well treated by the government this session. Besides the railway bill, the government has introduced a bill which will amend the act relating to the dyking act that have been passed bills to make more beneficial the working of the dairymen's associations, and in addition to the Horticultural Board Act, 1894, has been amended in the interest of the agriculturist.

This review is necessarily brief and preliminary, and many measures have to be left untouched, brief mention must be made of the lunacy bill, which is to meet the regrettable increase of lunatics in this province. In this bill everything has been done for the interest not only of the insane, but the sane. The government had this matter in the hands of experts, and the result is that in the measure that has been passed, there is in no one of the best bills, that it is possible to frame regarding this subject. The numerous bills which the Attorney-General has introduced for the completion of the law and the bill to secure the statute cannot but commend themselves to the public mind. In this bill a loan of \$100,000 to complete the furnishing of the parliament buildings was an undoubted necessity. Taking everything into consideration, the session has been a successful one, and the government has fully and effectively dealt with the requirements of British Columbia.

A WATER SATELLITE.

Joseph A. Armstrong, of Toronto, promulgates the following information for the benefit of humanity: A celestial body exists within our solar system which until the present time has not been recognized by modern astronomy. It is a globe formed of water and will rank as a satellite of the earth; it is placed at a distance of 240,000 miles from the earth, around which it revolves in a synodical period of 29 days and 12 hours. It travels in the same path as the moon and is always on the opposite side of the earth, hence it is in conjunction with the sun when the moon is in opposition, and it enters the sign of Libra about the same time that the moon enters Aries. It is the cause of the secondary tides of the sea. The moon draws the tide on only one side of the earth at one time. It is also the cause of some irregularities of long period in the moon's orbit and has some effect in keeping the reflective side of the moon towards the earth; it is a transparent body, and when near comes within the sun's rays refracted through it form the Zodiacal light. It has not been discovered for a long period in the past. It is a globe of water, and its sphere of the earth's attractions, when its waters covered our planet to the depth of more than one mile, and it is believed that during that year all the waters above the snow line on all parts of the earth, except part of the continent of Asia, were melted, and the water returned from off the earth the tropical ice fields began to slide according to the elevation and incline of the land on which they

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Four Years of Agony and Misery. A Marvellous Cure by Paine's Celery Compound. Three Bottles Suffice To Make Mr. Finter Well and Strong.

The hopeless, despairing, and all who imagine they are lost, because the doctors have failed, should rejoice to know that Paine's Celery Compound fully meets the worst cases, and never fails to restore lost health. It is no vain or idle boast when the declaration is made that Paine's Celery Compound cures when all other means fail. Today a grand army of men and women in our own Canada can vouch for the truth of the statement made. As a proof that Paine's Celery Compound cures in the most wonderful manner, I give the testimony of Mr. F. F. Finter, of Ottawa, Ont., who was saved at the age of thirty-one years, after having been in bed for four years, and who now enjoys perfect health. "I consider it a duty to acknowledge the great good that I derived from your valuable remedy, Paine's Celery Compound, which I procured from your agents in Montreal, and which I have used for the last three years, and which has completely restored my health, and enabled me to resume my former mode of life. I am now well, and I feel like a new man. I feel certain that if the suffering people of Canada would only try Paine's Celery Compound, they would be cured. I will recommend the remedy to every one I have the opportunity, as it is the best ever given to sufferers."

Nature's medicine for constipation, liver complaints, sick headache, biliousness, jaundice and salivary complexion is Laxa Liver Pills. They are a perfect all-around blood purifier and give relief from the most distressing constipation. One pill each night for 30 days will cure constipation.

YOUTHFUL ELOPERS.

Had it not been for the interference of Detectives Cuddehe and Corbett, of the Seattle police, Miss Mellon and Miss Agnes Mellon would now be enjoying their honeymoon in the Sound city. As it is, an elopement has been spoiled and the young folk are awaiting the coming of their respective parents—the boy at Seattle police headquarters and the girl in the care of Police Matron Taylor. He is 19 and she three years his junior, a daughter of Jailer Mellon, of the provincial force. There has been opposition to their mutual devotion and hence it is to quote the young people—that they decided to go over to the Sound and be married as quickly and quietly as possible. On Sunday morning they left home, Miss Mellon having left home to go to mass at St. Andrew's cathedral. Her absence, and the explanation was discovered so speedily that a message to the Seattle police asking that the elopers be detained, reached the Sound well in advance of the Kingstons, which were the passengers. Neither expressed surprise when the officers introduced themselves. "I expected something like that," observed Miss Mellon. "Well, I didn't," observed young Maynard.

Both asserted that they had acted on the advice of mutual friends. "I want to marry Miss Mellon and I mean to do so," said Maynard to Chief Police Keet, and Miss Mellon said the same in regard to Maynard. CELEBRATION PREPARATIONS. A first meeting of the finance committee in connection with the approaching celebration in Victoria of the Queen's Jubilee, held at the city hall this evening, when territories will be allotted and the important work of this committee reduced to a system. The committee is composed as follows: W. Jones, A. W. Vowell, Charles Hayward, A. G. McCandless, W. Humphrey, G. A. Kirk, R. L. Drury, L. Gooden, N. Shakespeare, W. J. Donkin, Capt. J. D. Warren, William Dalby, B. Williams, M. Young, E. Hanna, Sergt.-Major Mulcahy, T. Brady, W. S. Yates, W. H. Lanyon, A. J. McCreger, T. Bradbury, J. Braden, M. P. P., J. Thomson, Ald. John Hall, E. W. Pearce, James Baker, F. B. Pemberton, P. A. Brown, F. Worthing, W. L. Challoner, F. W. Laing and John Piercy. The other working committees in charge of departments of the celebration are composed as follows: Regatta—Officers of the Royal Navy and R.M.A., Captain Gaudin, Messrs. T. S. Gore, D. Cartmel, M. McCreger, C. S. Yates, H. D. Helmer, M. P., A. J. Dallin, J. Holmes, E. E. Bilbinger, T. Lawrie, Captain Langley, J. Labb, J. Hayden, Captain Clarke, D. O'Sullivan, D. J. Jones, Captain J. G. Cox, A. W. Vowell, Captain J. D. Warren, the managing committee of the Y.B.A. and the officers of the Victoria Yacht Club. Printing and Band—N. Shakespeare, Ald. A. Stewart, Ald. A. G. McCandless, J. L. Drury and Col. U. Wolfenden. Sports and Games—Messrs. D. Cartmel, H. Short, W. Snider, A. H. Scalf, R. L. Drury, G. A. Kirk, and John Braden. M. P. P.

His Worship the Mayor has been asked to appoint the committee to take charge of the preparations for the parade and service on the Sunday. ROSSLAND, May 10.—A special from Grand Forks states that John Manley has been elected mayor by a vote of 45 to 23 for McCallum. CAPTAIN J. W. WHITELEY AND HIS WHEEL. Captain J. W. Whiteley and his brother J. Whiteley, of disease and in town, are no longer following the herds of the sea, falling to see where money is to be made, but have returned to their home in the north. Both have sold out all their sealing interests and are now visiting their people in Labrador. The former leaves Halifax on the 20th of this month as navigator on the steamer Diana, the vessel chartered by a number of scientists for an extended cruise in Hudson Bay. It is believed that a practical route is to be found in that great body of water between the Labrador coast and the north, with a railroad calculated to give Manitobans a cheap and ready means of sending their wheat to the big markets miles below the coast. The establishment of such a line is the ice that is always to be found in Hudson Bay, but it is to study the drift and to make other observations that the Halifax expedition is now being fitted up.

SMOTHERING FROM HEART DISEASE.

DELAY MEANS DEATH. One Dose Relieves—A Few Bottles Always Cure. For ten years I have suffered greatly from heart disease. Finding relief from the heart and smothering spells have made my life miserable. When dropsy set in my physician said I must prepare my family for the worst. All this time I had seen Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure advertised in a last resort I tried it, and think of my joy when I received great relief from one bottle. One bottle cured my dropsy and brought me out of bed, and five bottles have completely cured my heart. If you are troubled with heart disease, get this medicine at once. It is a perfect cure, and I know it will cure you.—Mrs. James Adams, Syracuse, N.Y. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

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NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days before the date we intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate at Harrison Lake, New Westminster District: 1. Commencing at a post on lake shore, north side of Black Creek; thence west 20 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence south to lake shore. 2. Commencing at a post on lake shore, about half a mile from Black Creek; thence south 30 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence north to shore of lake and along shore to place of commencement. 3. Commencing at a post on the lake shore, about one mile down from what is known as the Narrows; thence south 40 chains; thence north to lake shore and following the shore to place of commencement. 4. Commencing at a post on the lake shore, about one and a half miles south of Six Mile Creek; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence north to lake shore and following shore to place of commencement. 5. Commencing at a post on the shore at the northeast corner of the lake; thence west 20 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east to lake; thence east along shore to place of commencement. JAMES & ARTHUR TRETREWAY. pp15-w

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A GOLDEN PROSPECT.

Remarkably Rich Free Gold Ore From the Victoria-Tezada Mine.

Rock That Will Assay Into the Many Thousands of Dollars Per Ton.

The steamer Maude has brought down two and a half tons of free gold ore from the mines of the Victoria-Tezada Mining Co., numerous samples of which may be seen at the head office of the company, Hall, Gosnell & Co., at Beaumont Bogg & Co., and at A. W. More & Co., etc.

The main tunnel at the face there is over the full width which averages \$45 per ton in gold, copper and silver. In opening up the face and forming a dump when work was first begun on the tunnel, a large quantity of rock was thrown into the sea.

The Victoria-Tezada Co. are selling a small block of shares with the object of enabling them to place three shifts on the work of tunnelling and to carry out confidently and with good reason, expect to show up a mine that will become famous as the Golden Cache of Lillooet.

The steamship City of Topeka returned from Alaska at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and sailed for the Sound a few hours later after landing a few passengers and some little freight.

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THE CITY

The Bank of B. N. A. opened a branch concern at Slocan City yesterday.

This council of the Board of Trade have telegraphed to Senator McInnes, head of the Victoria-Tezada Mining Co., regarding his proposal for a government mint in Canada.

At a special meeting of the chorus, orchestra, and all other concerned, the recent successful production here of Farmer's Grand Festival Mass, held last evening, was unanimously decided to take advantage of the Dominion's generous offer in placing a special train at the disposal of the company, and pay for a visit on the 22nd of the present month.

The past two or three weeks have been fruitfully in and about Victoria of a number of very sudden deaths, the last being that of Mr. E. D. Thomas, 41 years of age, of Esquimalt road, yesterday morning.

Little two-year-old Mary Hildreth was buried yesterday in the Methodist cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. W. H. G. Ellison, and practically the entire neighborhood attending to show their genuine sympathy with the bereaved parents.

The annual convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias for British Columbia was opened yesterday morning at New Westminster, and is expected to be concluded by Friday at latest, as there is no business of very special importance to be discussed.

A special meeting of the vestry of Christ Church cathedral was held last evening for the purpose of discussing the advisability of making an addition to the rectory. The present accommodation is inadequate, and it was resolved to have the church warden empowered to accept the proposal.

BLACK and Johnson, the two professional crooks captured in San Francisco not long ago, will not after all be brought back to Victoria to stand trial for their trial for the robbery of Challoner Mitchell & Co.'s Rosland establishment.

A THOROUGHLY up-to-date map of the Slocan mining district has just been issued by the Union Investment Co., of Rosland, to meet the existing demand for a reliable guide to this important section of the province.

CAPE SCOTT, at the furthestmost point of Vancouver island has heretofore been regarded as a rocky and useless piece of territory, brought into prominence only as one after another of the ships that go down to the sea meet their fate upon its jagged extremities.

EXPERIENCE proves the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures all forms of blood disease, cleanses the stomach, builds up the nerves.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Victoria Golfers Break Records and Win Championships at the Edison Prairie Links.

Promise of Good Sport at the Queen's Birthday Races—The Y. M. C. A.'s to Have a Four.

Messrs. O. H. Van Millingen, A. W. Jones and H. Combe, with Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Combe, Mrs. W. A. Ward, Miss Prior and the Misses Davis, returned home yesterday from the City of Destiny, where they have worthily represented the Victoria Golf Club at the annual meeting of the Tacoma club, which was closed at a close.

The struggle between these two Victoria eventually winning out by the holes, one to play. She also took the ladies' handicap, and in this event established a new record for the ladies' course over the Edison links.

THE OAR. WILL FORM A FOUR-OARED CREW. At the Y. M. C. A. Rowing Club meeting last night it was decided to organize a four-oared racing boat and to obtain all members of the club will immediately commence canvassing for members.

THE WHEEL. A CIRCUIT ARRANGED. Although a small one, the races at the end of the present month will complete the season for the consideration of convenience to the racing men.

THE TURF. VICTORIA'S QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY MEETING. The second spring meeting, to take place at the driving park here on the 24th of this month, promises to furnish the racing public with a programme of the season for a British Columbia audience.

THE CHALLENGE. In the challenge cup Rieley will again do battle for his popular owner, but Black Beauty, who is looking and going better than ever, will make him race to the last stride, and even at the end of all calculations several dark candidates of whom rumor has much to say, it will be a battle well worth witnessing.

RANDOM NOTES. OF INTEREST TO ALL SPORT LOVERS. At a meeting of the managing committee last evening the following members of the James Bay Athletic Association were elected: President, W. Laing, H. F. Stow, E. H. Austin and G. F. Askew.

IF sick headache is misery, what are you suffering from? Liver Pills cure it! People who have used them speak freely of their worth. They are small and easy to take!

UPSIDE DOWN ORES.

While some young men were taking a constitutional on Sunday they visited the Black Bear, which is the west extension of the Le Roi mine, and began picking around in the ore dump.

There is nothing surprising in the discovery except that the miners who worked in the shaft should have overlooked it. There was some very high grade ore sacked and shipped from the Black Bear shaft two or three days ago, and it is quite likely that some of this high grade ore contained free gold, although it was not known or even suspected at the time.

In this connection it may be of interest to state that flakes of free gold have been frequently noted in the ore from the 500-foot level in the Le Roi, and of late this has been so common an event as to be almost a matter of course. From the shaft below the 500-foot level some of the prettiest specimens of free gold ever seen have been found in ore which contained only a few per cent of iron and copper.

BONFIRES WILL BLAZE.

Jubilee Suggestions of Sir George Baden-Powell Meets With Favor in Victoria.

Unparalleled Enthusiasm of the Workers Who Will Make the June Carnival a Great Success.

Enthusiasm for such a celebration as Victoria proposes to give in commemoration of the completion of the reign of the longest reign in British history, is a sign of certain and signal success.

It was 8:30 o'clock in the evening when the accident occurred. The Ruth had gone through the half mile of rapids, with the exception of a space about 200 yards, where the wreck was caused by logs catching in the rudder, thereby preventing the steering of the boat past the large boulders.

It was deemed wise by the committee to appoint a special sub-committee to inquire into the cause of the accident, and to report thereon to the committee.

Before all the passengers and crew of the Ruth were taken ashore, the steamer Gwendoline, commanded by Captain Armstrong, came around the bend unexpectedly.

The first intimation Jennings had of the disaster was the appearance of the wreckage washed down by the swift current. Later four men walked in from the wreck, and next morning all the others came down, some in boats and some walking.

It is said here that the Great Northern will build a spur from Jennings to the canyon and thus avoid the danger in future. If this should not be done, the steamer company will repair the old Annerley, put in a tramway at the canyon, and transfer passengers and crew steamer from Jennings to the canyon. The Ruth was a large, handsome

LEADERS. BEST VALUES ON EARTH. Gents' Suits \$5.00, \$6.75, \$7.75, \$8.50. B. Williams & Co., Hatters and Clothiers, 57 Johnson St.

THE PASTIME. LAWN MOWERS. THE FIRST GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN 20 YEARS. E. G. PRIOR & CO., Ld. Ly. SOLE AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A DOUBLE WRECK. How the "Ruth" and "Gwendoline" Went to Pieces in Kootenay River. Crew and Passengers Saved But Vessels and Cargo a Total Loss.

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THE FULL COURT. The case of Gray vs. McCallum was on before the full court yesterday, and after listening to the argument all day such satisfactory progress was made that the entire case represented by a portly tome of 1,000 pages was gone over.

BEHIND SEA PATROL. Captain I. N. Hooper, who will have charge of the movements of the revenue fleet in Behring sea, has arrived in the city, and until the vessels go north he will be quartered at the Butler. Unalaska, which will be Capt. Hooper's headquarters. He will not do any cruising at all, the importance of his position requiring him to maintain his headquarters where he can be in touch with the affairs of the patrol.

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THE TOPLINE. "Allie I. Algar" Re Biggest Sealing the Seas. White Hunters the This Year—In O. R. & N. S.

A breeze from the right day would bring a fleet from the sealing grounds, but here on the first arrived at noon yesterday seven or eight vessels. The Algar has the prospect of being top-line with a catch of 300,000 below Cape Mendocino, off Cape Mendocino, of the Pioneer, 38 pelts less, had the Algar's catch, off Cape Mendocino, since coming north on the weather. "The weather said one of the hunters been with me for a month of the seasons I have and I have followed for the past seven years seen seals so scarce. One tire voyage I saw only connection with the Algar. A noteworthy observation made—that both vessels crews throughout, no man being aboard either. The Willard Ainsworth understood to be a catch of 300,000. It was spoken on the 25th with 85 seals. Although this month of arrivals, partures in the sealing one of the best no long voyage. This month of arrivals, partures in the sealing one of the best no long voyage. This month of arrivals, partures in the sealing one of the best no long voyage.

It is to Victoria, Portland that the O. Chitagon is now covered. She is due to arrive in a special sulphur for Victoria, of the same line, the Monmouthshire, less than 300,000. These three a full out ready been booked; a new charter of the carrier.

The battleship Oregon the drydock at the station Saturday night is now taking aboard munitions for the entering the dock, and aboard will come to stay will be made when the battleship silver service present Oregon.

The board of inquiry government to inquire into the obstruction on the Oregon when the Oregon was to-day, only directly interested in the case in the court. I am A. Kirkland ar Sunday, and went to station. I am a member of the advocate.

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THE TOPLINER SEALER.

Allie I. Algar Returns With the Biggest Sealing Catch of the Season.

White Hunters the Most Successful This Year—Inward Bound O. R. & N. Steamers.

A breeze from the right direction today would bring a fleet of twelve home from the sealing grounds. The forerunner of these, the schooner Allie I. Algar, Captain R. A. Lavender, which sailed from here on the first day of the year, arrived at noon yesterday, and reports seven or eight vessels close to Cape Flattery, and the others not far astern. The Algar has the proud distinction this year of being top-liner of the Coast fleet, with a catch of 640 skins stored away below decks—an honor that Captain Baker of the Pioneer, with a showing of 260 pelts less, had heretofore claimed. Of the Algar's catch, 500 were secured off Cape Mendocino, and the balance, some coming north on the 23rd of February. "The weather on our cruise," said one of the hunters yesterday, "has been what we consider fairly rough, but of all the seasons I have been sealing—and I have followed the business now for the past seven years—I have never seen seals so scarce. Why, on the entire voyage I saw only 300 seal." In connection with the catches obtained by the Algar and Pioneer, a noteworthy observation might be made—that both vessels carried white crews throughout, not a single sparrow being aboard either, and their numbers being in the neighborhood of twenty-four men on each vessel. The catch of the fleet following the Algar will average about 150 skins, it is estimated, and will see exceptions all carry Indian hunters. The Willard Ainsworth, of Seattle, is understood to be an exception with a catch of 300. One of the fleet is supposed to be the City of San Diego, which was spoken on the 25th of last month with 55 seals. Although the present is a month of arrivals rather than departures in the sealing line, to-day will see one of the fleet now in port off on a long voyage. This schooner is the Pioneer, and it is Captain Baker's intention to visit his old sealing haunts on the Russian coast, which in former years he has frequented with good success.

LOOK OUT FOR CUT RATES.

The traffic officials of the Southern Pacific Company and the officers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company are greatly perturbed over the prospect of what may turn out to be a serious war on freight and passenger business between San Francisco and Puget Sound ports, says the Examiner. The steamer Cleveland, Captain Hall, is scheduled to depart for Puget Sound ports on Tuesday next with freight and passengers at greatly reduced rates, and it is feared that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and the Southern Pacific Company may have to reduce their rates to meet this new competition. The announcement is made that the Cleveland will leave Mission wharf at 5 p. m. Tuesday for Seattle and Tacoma, connecting at Seattle for Victoria, Vancouver B. C., Port Townsend, Port Angeles, Anacortes, New Whatcom and Everett, and at Tacoma for Olympia, Shelton and all Puget Sound ports. The Cleveland offers to take freight at \$1 a ton and cabin passengers for \$7.50. These rates are considerably less than the prevailing rail and steamer rates. The rail passenger rates are \$24 and \$17 second class, and the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's rates are \$15 first class and \$7.50 second class. Captain Goodall, of Goodall, Perkins & Co., and H. D. Judah, assistant general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific company, had a conference on the matter yesterday afternoon, and when after the meeting Mr. Judah announced that the prevailing rail and passenger rates would not be disturbed for the present. "We will not make rates to meet the competition of the steamer Cleveland this trip," he said, "but we may have to bring down our rates if the steamer is kept on the run." The above information is new to local agents of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, who have as yet been advised of no change.

THE CITY.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, May 12]

LEUT.-COL. RAWENSON'S announcement as a result of the recent written examinations of the school of instruction that all hands have succeeded in obtaining first-class certificates.

The Department of Marine and Fisheries has prohibited the fishing with nets of the water Victoria Arm—a practice which during the past two years has practically depopulated these waters of the young trout.

There died at Eureka, Cal., yesterday, Honora Kelly, widow of the late Capt. Kelly, and who many years ago was a resident of this city. She was contained in a telegram received by Mr. Chas. H. Lombard, yesterday.

A HOTEL was brought to the Commercial Hotel building, and according to the paper enclosed, had been thrown overboard by Captain Pantan, of the steamer Victoria, on September 1, 1894, in the road N. Towichan lake. It was picked up at Liebhagen, some eight miles west of the lighthouse.

The last scene in the life tragedy of poor John Ross was enacted yesterday at Ross Bay cemetery, where Rev. Dr. Campbell officiated at the interment. The pall-bearers were friends and fellow-workers of the dead man: Messrs. W. F. Preece, T. J. Barnes, E. J. Johnson, D. Hart, Joseph Levy and F. A. Nicholson.

HERMAN A. CAMPBELL, who claims to have been married in this city in July, 1894, is bringing suit in the Spokane court, in the name of his wife Nellie, on the ground of desertion. The respondent is said to have returned to her parents' home in this city, and will allow the action for separation to go by default.

CAPTAIN OLIVE PHILLIPS-WOLLEY and Mr. W. H. Langley, of this city, enjoy the distinction of being the first cyclists to take the road N. Towichan lake this spring. They made the run on Friday last, burdened with all the paraphernalia incidental to a fishing expedition, and speaking with the voice of experience report the road "not so bad as it might be."

The well known Manor house at Vancouver has changed its name and its management. It is now under the management of Mr. H. R. Stratton, and Mr. Duke, late of the Hotel Spokane, as chief clerk, the newly christened Stratton hotel, and it is to be noted that the name among the first-class houses of the Coast. Mr. Louis Marboeuf, so long and favorably known in Victoria, is now manager of the hotel, and his name is now where it should be.

The upper shores of Cowichan lake are now engaging the attention of quite a little band of prospectors, one of whom is James Hodgson, a resident of this city. It is said that while Hodgson may not be able to show gold propositions to equal Texas as yet, it has enough copper to produce a fortune, and that there are other minerals mixed with the copper, and to determine the value of the same Mr. Hodgson brought to the city numerous specimens for assay.

HAVING conceived the idea that a first class parade might make a very attractive side feature of the Jubilee celebration, the dog fanciers of Victoria are losing no time in importing the best of the breed for the event. At a meeting on Tuesday evening they decided to form a fanciers' association, and a committee was appointed to draw up regulations for the parade, and to submit them to a second meeting on Tuesday next, at which officers will also be chosen. The new club will be known as the Victoria Dog Fanciers' Association.

THROUGHOUT the Songhees reservation new fences, fresh paint, and substantial additions are the order of the day, the native residents either having become more desirous of desire to improve their homes and their surroundings, or else are filled with the idea that when values are set upon the reservation property, the best preparations should be made of those who look ahead. The number of gardens under cultivation is increasing, and the Songhees and the Songhees on the whole have apparently awakened to an understanding of the advantages of civilization.

LEUT.-COL. F. B. GREGORY, of the Tasmania apples, 10 Fifths, has formally accepted the appointment of adding Rawson, on the occasion of the Jubilee visit of the Canadian troops to Great Britain. The contingent are to arrive from either Montreal or Quebec, on the 5th proximo, and it is expected that the celebration ending on June 29, all will be ready to receive them. The steamer sailing then on July 1. All officers going to the Motherland are representatives of the Canadian contingent, and will be subject to military law during their tour. Col. Gregory expects to leave Victoria on the 20th of the present month or thereabouts.

MR. R. E. BROWN, the well known mining expert and capitalist, arrived in Victoria yesterday. Mr. Brown achieved distinction in the Outer d'Alene country and he was one of the group of American mining experts who went to the Trans-Canada, and having been promoted, like his old friend and companion John Hays Hammond Mr. Brown played an all important part in the troubles of the United States in the Outer d'Alene country. Recently he has become largely interested in British Columbia mines, and his coming to the Province should be a harbinger of increased interest and ultimate prosperity for the mines of British Columbia.

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THE RETAIL MARKETS.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Flour-Ogivia, Corn, Wheat, and other commodities.

THE "OREGON."

The battleship Oregon was taken off the drydock at the Puget Sound naval station Saturday night at 9 o'clock. She is now taking aboard the coal and ammunition which she will discharge before entering the dock, and on getting this aboard will come to Seattle. Here a short stay will be made, and the Oregon will then go to Astoria to accept the silver service presented by the state of Oregon.

The board of inquiry appointed by the government to investigate the cause of the destruction found in the channel when the Oregon was docked will convene to-day, only witnesses and persons directly interested being invited to attend in the court. Rear Admiral William A. Kirkland arrived from the East Sunday, and went directly to the naval station. Lieut. H. Hetherington, the other member of the board, will be judge advocate.

As to the rumors that have been in existence ever since the Oregon entered the dry dock, being aimed at the stability and worth of the structure, they have been denied by so many men in authority that it seems hardly necessary to repeat the testimony of any more.—Oregonian.

ARTHUR SCROGG'S BODY.

The friends in Victoria of Mrs. Arthur Scroggs were occasioned some little uneasiness on her behalf, through telegrams from New York last evening to the effect that Mr. Scroggs' body was lying unclaimed in that city. It will be remembered how Mr. Scroggs lost his life in March last, through the wreck of the steamer Spinster, of which he was master. The body was picked up on the morning of the 1st, and having been embalmed left here in the charge of the sorrowing widow on the 1st of the present month. Mrs. Scroggs' intention was to take the body to her home in New York, and she had been waiting for a steamer for Southampton from New York yesterday, and the message received last night would seem to indicate that she has done so but that the body of her husband in some unaccountable way has been left behind.

LITTLE BRAVES!

Old Time a Quarter-box "Purifiers" are quitting their out in whole battalions. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills at 20c a vial are driving them out at all points. Because they act gently, more effectively, never pain, and are easy to take. Sick headache succumbs to one dose. Chronic Constipation dispelled with one vial, and stomach disorders of every kind absolutely cured. 40c dozs., 20c at all druggists.

PERISHED ABOARD.

A Scene of Shipwreck and Loss of Life Confronts the "Willard Ainsworth."

A San Francisco Schooner and Her Crew Come to a Sad End.

A dead body was washed to the iron davits in the stern of the schooner General Siglin, which is being driven aimlessly about in the North Pacific ocean, 80 miles west of the Queen Charlotte islands, and directly in the track of the fierce storms that have been sweeping the land and sea for the last month. The limp form which hangs in the davits is the only thing aboard indicating the past occupancy of human beings. Deserted, it remains a scarecrow to the elements, a symbol of the physical and mental suffering preceding the extinction of life.

Beyond doubt the late of the schooner General Siglin and the crew were seen by the captain and crew of the sealing schooner Willard Ainsworth, which returned yesterday from a successful sealing cruise on the Japan coast and Behring sea. The Siglin was sighted on Wednesday morning, May 5. She was seen on her right side with her mast and one floating alongside. The Ainsworth passed very close, but could not lower a boat because of a heavy sea. There did not seem to be much of a matter," said Capt. E. E. Crockett, of the Willard Ainsworth, in recounting his experience, save that the bark was seen in the room looking at each other and at the four walls of the study, waiting for the shower to blow over.

PROSPECTORS IN FOOT STEEL.

C. E. Lutz, of Fort Steele, a member of the Fort Steele Mining Co., who is in town, has with him twelve samples of quartz from the Lily May, one of the properties of the Fort Steele Mining Co. to drive the shafts of the mine, and is remarkably rich. It was taken from the centre stake tunnel on the Lily May, in which a 15-foot tunnel has been driven. Three feet of ore has been encountered. Work has been temporarily shut down, owing to surface water. It is expected that over four days the company will be in this city in a few days. "There are about 400 prospectors in the Fort Steele area," said Mr. Lutz, "and they are being recorded at the rate of about 10 or 15 a day. The snow is going rapidly, and as it disappears the prospectors follow the snow line up the mountains. We expect a big rush this spring. It has already set in, and men are coming in over four days from outside—the Moyie trail, Kallispell, Golden, on the C.P.R., and up the river from Jennings. The town of Wardner is becoming a lively place, many people are going to the mines, and the good finds of free milling propositions have been made, the ledges running from east to west, and the water has been found, but there is lots of water handy for working, and the mines will be extremely productive. Prospectors are coming in here in large numbers. It offers a good field for prospecting.—Spokesman-Review.

THE FULL COURT.

Madden vs. The Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway was heard by the full court yesterday. This is an appeal from a decree of Judge Forin, in which plaintiff was awarded damages for seven horses which were killed on the railway. The reason for this judgment was that the railway company had not carried out the provisions of the Cattle Protection Act, 1881, which provides among other things that Dominion railways shall have fences erected along the entire line, otherwise losses caused by cattle being killed on the tracks by the company. The defendants appeal on the grounds that the act is ultra vires and unconstitutional. Judgment was reserved. Mr. L. P. Duff for defendants (appellants), and Mr. Gordon Hunter for plaintiff (respondent).

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ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL.

The marriage at Seattle on Tuesday of William J. Maynard and Miss Agnes Mellon, both of this city, affords another illustration of "all's well that ends well," and the congratulations to the young people will be both general and sincere. Mr. Mellon, the father of the bride, whose opposition the match, he waived his objections to the match. He accordingly did so with grace, and to make amends in a measure for the inconvenience to which he had put the young folks, he formally gave the bride away after all, and was the first to wish her and the husband of her choice all good luck and happiness. The wedding was solemnized at the Church of Our Lady of Good Help, Rev. Father Preconaise officiating. Although they have not yet perfected their plans for the future, it is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Maynard will make Seattle their home for the present.

Even after Mr. Mellon had decided that it would be best to allow the young people to have their way, a difficulty presented itself. Each of the unencumbered ones was under the legal age, and although Mr. Mellon was ready to give his daughter permission to wed, there was no one to sign for the groom. Maynard is only nineteen, and so it was necessary to telegraph to his father in this city. Soon after 4 o'clock the message conveying the required permission was received, and by 8 o'clock the papers had been made out in the auditor's office and a license to marry issued. The ceremony was held at 5 o'clock in the morning, the bride and groom being accompanied by George Beckingham, Jr., his best man, and the bride's father, the Rev. Father Preconaise. The bride wore a pale green walking dress, trimmed with chiffon and lace.

THE SPRING ASSIZES.

One solitary case represents the entire docket for the spring assizes, which opens in this city on the 25th inst. This case is Regina vs. Tallard, a charge of a former assize, and is the outcome of mining speculation, Tallard being charged with receiving money under false pretences. There are a number of other cases which may yet come to the fore before the assizes are held, as a number of cases set by Magistrate Macdonald have yet to be tried. That is to say, have yet to make up their minds to run the gauntlet of a speedy trial or to take the chance of a trial by jury.

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The schooner left San Francisco, March 23, under command of Capt. Jerome Thomas, for Wood Island, Alaska. She was loaded with supplies for the North American Commercial Company. Besides the captain, she carried a crew consisting of mate, cook and three cabin boys, and also passengers E. C. Greenfield, agent of the company at Wood Island, his wife and three children. The schooner was built at Marshfield, Or. in 1894. She is 80 feet in length by 23 feet beam and 8.4 depth, and 31.24 tons net register.

Two days after the departure of the Siglin there left San Francisco the schooner Kodiak, also bound for Alaska. By the arrival here yesterday, it is simply because it possesses greater merit and produces greater cures than any other. It is not what we say, but what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, that tells the story. All advertisements of Hood's Sarsaparilla are honest. We have never deceived the public, and this with its superlative medicinal merit, is why the people have abiding confidence in it, and buy

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She was built last year, was 9 feet long, and had a capacity of 100 tons, was equipped with 16 staterooms, and was modern in her appointments. Her loss will be about \$25,000. The steamer was a smaller steamer, with a capacity of 50 or 60 tons. She carried 10 tons of ore at the time of the accident. There was no insurance on the boats. The company is now building a new steamer at Jennings, of the same length as the Ruby, but six feet wider. Work will be pushed upon it night and day, and the officers say it will make its first run within 20 or 25 days. James F. Gardner is president of the company and Captain Armstrong is general manager.

THE FULL COURT.

The case of Gray vs. McCollum was on before the Full court yesterday, and after listening to the argument all day the court rendered judgment that the entire case represented by a party of 1,000 pages was gone over. The case will be continued to-day, which will be quartered at the Butler. Unluckily he pushed upon it night and day, and the officers say it will make its first run within 20 or 25 days. James F. Gardner is president of the company and Captain Armstrong is general manager.

BEHIND SEA PATROL.

Captain I. N. Hooper, who will have charge of the movements of the revenue cutters in Behring sea, has arrived in the "Ruby," but six feet wider. Work will be pushed upon it night and day, and the officers say it will make its first run within 20 or 25 days. James F. Gardner is president of the company and Captain Armstrong is general manager.

He is considered one of the most efficient officers of the revenue service, and his official connection with his senior officer on the Pacific coast an appointment that his intimate knowledge of the international questions regard to sealing well deserved. Captain Hooper's friends expect to see him every day at the head of the revenue service.—Oregonian.

The natural loss of hair, either by disease or age of the hair, may be replaced with a heavy growth by Hall's Hair Restorer. You can try Carter's Little Liver Pills for headache, biliousness or constipation, will never be without them. They are reliable, small and easy to take. Don't forget this.

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"That's Ayer's." The same old sarsaparilla as it was made and sold by Dr. J. C. Ayer 50 years ago. In the laboratory it is different. There modern appliances lend speed to skill and experience. But the sarsaparilla is the same old sarsaparilla that made the record—50 years of cures. Why don't we better it? Well, we're much in the condition of the Bishop and the raspberry: "Nothings," he made a better berry. But doubtless, since also, He never did." Why don't we better the sarsaparilla? We can't. We are using the same old plant that cured the Indians and the Spaniards. It has not been bettered. And since we make sarsaparilla compound out of sarsaparilla plant, we see no way of improvement. Of course, if we were making some secret chemical compound we might.... But we're not. We're making the same old sarsaparilla to cure the same old diseases. You can tell it's the same old sarsaparilla because it works the same old cures. It's the sovereign blood purifier, and it's Ayer's.

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The Colonist.
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1887.
AS TO VICTORIA.

The business men of Victoria have the deserved reputation of being alive to their own interests. Financially strong in many instances and generally of excellent credit, with ample facilities of transportation at their command, they are in a splendid position to avail themselves of the opportunities which will offer through the exploitation of the known wealth of the Yukon and the development of the potential wealth of the Islands and the Northwest coast. A good deal of Victoria money is invested in Kootenay and elsewhere on the Interior Mainland. Victoria people are not slow to seize upon good opportunities, although they are more conservative in this respect than some of their neighbors, and notably the people of Spokane. But in mining more, perhaps, than in any other business the rule is "Nothing venture, nothing have." Men must be prepared to take some chance of loss if they hope to make money in mining for the precious metals. Spokane has enjoyed in consequence, not simply the profit that comes of her people have made from turning over mining propositions, for this is the smallest part of her gain, but a great impetus to every line of business; so that early last fall there was not a vacant residence of any value in the city, the lodging houses were full and the hotels were turning people away. If you asked a Spokane man what had lifted his city out of a very deep slough of depression and set it upon the high road to prosperity, he would answer in one word—Kootenay.

We do not think it an exaggeration to say that the metalliferous area on the Islands and the Northwest Coast, when developed, will be directly tributary to Victoria in several times greater than that portion of Kootenay, which gave the business of Spokane such an enormous impetus. In point of fact, it is exceedingly difficult to define what the metalliferous area above described embraces. Along the West Coast of Vancouver Island numerous prospects have been found which are at least equal to the surface showings in the average mines of Trail Creek. We are stating the case moderately. At Alberni there is certainly much auriferous quartz, and some of the finest copper ore yet found in British Columbia comes from that neighborhood. On Texada development work has fully justified the promise of the very flattering prospects opened a year or so ago. On Phillips Arm fine properties are being worked, and at other points, that need not be specified, good discoveries have been made. Yet the country has not been even superficially prospected so far as the greater part of its area is concerned. What is needed to advance prospecting and development on the Coast, to a degree equal to that which has meant so much for Kootenay and every city and community having business relations with it, is for a single great success to be achieved. Let some one mine make a name for itself and we will witness a rush to the Coast that will surpass any that the interior has yet seen. There is good ground to hope that the summer will not pass without something of this kind occurring, and when mining on the Coast begins it will have two advantages: One is possessing the benefit of water communication, and the other is being accessible at all seasons. Some of the best prospects are close to water.

When we look towards Yukon we see a veritable land of promise, so far as mining is concerned. It is safe to say that a beginning only has been made at exploiting the vast wealth of that region. In a late issue of the San Francisco Bulletin reference was made to this rich territory and it was described as a part of Alaska, and Seward was lauded for his statesmanship in buying it from Russia. But this misconception is being corrected, and it will be the duty of Victorians to make the correction as widely known as possible. Every effort ought to be made to have it understood everywhere before the next mining season opens that the Yukon is in Canada. Fortunately the provincial government has very wisely obtained the consent of the legislature for an appropriation for a trail from Teslin Lake, thus affording an all Canadian route to the great Canadian territory of Yukon. This will help the Coast cities greatly and will do more than any other thing that can be done in the same length of time or for five times the expenditure to fix upon the minds of all concerned that Yukon is in Canada. That this will mean the outfitting of parties next year in Canadian cities, that is in Victoria and Vancouver, follows as a matter of course.

Such are a few of the considerations which suggest themselves in connection with the immediate future of our city. Others will form the subject of future articles. The time is ripe for action. The time has come for a general advance and the COLONIST asks that the business men and others of Victoria will unite with it in an effort to give the city and the districts directly tributary to it that degree of reputation abroad which is necessary to attract men of enterprise and capital.

THE RESERVED BILL.

The Times states that it is not the custom of the legislature of British Columbia for the House to be prorogued while the Lieutenant-Governor is in the chair. The Colonist has taken the trouble to make inquiries from many persons in a position to know the facts, and has been informed that it is the invariable practice. This is proved by the Journals. Take the Journal of the session of 1886, for example. From this it appears that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor entered the House and assented to the several bills that had been passed. "Then the Honorable Mr. Speaker addressed His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and presented the Supply bill, to which assent was duly given." "Then His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver" the speech, and after the speech "The Honorable Colonel Baker then said"—Here follows in the Journal the usual proclamation of prorogation. If all the Journals of all the sessions of the legislative assembly be examined it will not be found that Mr. Speaker ever resumed the chair after the Lieutenant-Governor had delivered the prorogation speech. It is absolutely nonsense to suppose that the legislative assembly can sit and transact any business of any nature whatever after the Governor has made his prorogation speech. We assert that never, in any British legislature, did the House convene after the Queen, Governor-General, Governor or Lieutenant-Governor, or other representative of Her Majesty had delivered the prorogation speech. The moment the Governor enters the House for the purpose of delivering the prorogation speech, the session is at an end. It is possible that the Times is so phenomenally ignorant as not to know this. It is also possible that it is telling what it knows to be wilfully untrue when it asserts the contrary, for the purpose of attempting to score a point against the government. It is at liberty to choose either horn of the dilemma that suits it best. It is hard to say which it is preferable to be so, as in either case it is to be supposed that the House could resemble and discuss what the Lieutenant-Governor had done, or so untruthful as to attempt to make people believe that it is the practice of the British Columbia legislature to meet in session after the Lieutenant-Governor has closed the session with his speech.

So far as the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in respect to the bill relating to the Pacific Cable is concerned, it is certain that what the Colonist said on Sunday is the plain unvarnished truth. We must be pardoned if we are unable to appreciate the compliments which the Times and some other papers are fond of paying the Colonist in regard to its alleged ingenuity in explaining the action of the Lieutenant-Governor to the government. Our plan is simply to state the facts without embellishment. Our opposition contemporaries being unequal to the appreciation of the policy of selling the franchise always, invariably represent that something is being concealed. When those contemporaries grow wiser, if they ever do, they will know that the most potent of all explanations is the true explanation, and when they are confronted with a statement which they cannot refute, they will learn to regard it as likely to be true. The Times cannot answer the statement of constitutional law bearing on this subject as put forward in the Colonist; it cannot answer the suggested reasons why the Federal government may have intervened without the assent of the Legislature; it cannot even controvert the statement in favor of such a course. It is in a hole any way. It dare not say that the Lieutenant-Governor did wrong, for if it did it might be condemning its friends at Ottawa. It dare not say he did right, for it has not sufficient courage to give its political opponents credit for anything. It can only snarl. Now, we protest that it is monstrously extravagant in having a choice of routes the prairie provinces, and to enjoy it. Naturally there is a good deal of satisfaction in Winnipeg over the prospect of this new road.

A NEW RAILWAY SCHEME.

Premier Greenway of Manitoba has a plan for the construction of an air line of railway from Winnipeg to Duluth. He will ask the people to guarantee the bonds of the company to such an amount as will call for less than \$100,000 a year for interest, if the company cannot pay it, and for this the company agrees to haul wheat to Duluth from as far west as Brandon for 10 cents per hundred pounds, to bring in coal at \$1.30 per ton, and to make a 25 per cent. reduction all round in existing freight charges. This plan, taken in connection with the proposed deepening of the canal, will give the farmers of Manitoba a competing line to the ocean, by utilizing water carriage for the greater part of the distance. The Pary Sound railway, which is to be completed this summer, will afford with the new line complete competition with the C.P.R. between Winnipeg and all Eastern points in Canada. Winnipeg and the surrounding country will certainly, if this project is carried through successfully, have no cause to complain of lack of railway accommodation with the East, and if there is any advantage in having a choice of routes the prairie provinces, and to enjoy it. Naturally there is a good deal of satisfaction in Winnipeg over the prospect of this new road.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"All the world's a stage," remarked the observer of men and things; "a philosopher is anybody who thinks he's the audience."—Detroit Journal.

Indignant Citizen: You ought to be ashamed to beg for a living. Why don't you try to do something and be somebody? Tut-tut!—Cause it's easier to be "somebody" an' do somebody.—Chicago Tribune.

"He may be all very well at story-telling, but he doesn't know much about the tariff."—"How do you know?"—"Why, he made the favorite wit."—Meat-Op.

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NOTICES.
No. 468.
"Companies Act," Part IV, and Amending Acts.
"The Gold Fields of British Columbia, Limited" (Foreign).
Registered the 23rd day of April, 1887.
I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered "The Gold Fields of British Columbia, Limited" (Foreign), "Registration of Foreign Companies, and Amending Acts," Part IV, and Amending Acts.

(1) To prospect and explore for the purpose of obtaining information, and also to acquire the shares or stock, whether ordinary, preferred or deferred, of the company, and to accept the same in payment for any property sold, or business undertaken, or services rendered by this company, and to hold, sell or otherwise dispose of the same.

(2) To carry on mercantile, commercial, trading and financial business of any and every description, either as principals, agents, and to buy, sell and enter into contracts, and to conduct, liquidate or wind up the business of any such company.

(3) To purchase, take on lease, or acquire by any other means, land, buildings, machinery, and other property, and to do all such things as may be necessary for the carrying on of the business of the company.

(4) To erect, construct, establish, or acquire by purchase, hire or otherwise, any works, roads, bridges, harbours, wharves, quays, wharves, furnaces, mills, crushing machines, steamers, factories, warehouses, ships, boats, barges, machinery, locomotives, wagons, appliances, and all other things which may be necessary for the carrying on of the business of the company.

(5) To establish and support or aid in the establishment, maintenance, promotion or formation of any other company, or to do all such things as may be necessary for the carrying on of the business of the company.

(6) To do all such acts and things as may be necessary for the carrying on of the business of the company.

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NOTICES.
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Registered the 2nd day of April, 1887.

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No. 471.
"Companies Act," Part IV, and Amending Acts.
"The Menominee and Marquette Hydraulic Gold Mining Company" (Foreign).
Registered the 2nd day of April, 1887.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

To Bore for Coal at South Vancouver—Westminster City Gate Reduced.

How Things are Humming in Salmo—Monte Cristo Shows Twenty Feet.

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crescent tunnel 245 feet long and a vein found 12 feet in width, 2 feet being solid ore, carrying 400 ounces in silver and 10 feet of concentrating ore. Mr. Rutherford regards this as one of the richest veins he has ever seen.

The Alpha group has a very large showing of ore, part of it being galena and part gold quartz. It is a strange combination. A shaft has been sunk 80 feet and several tunnels and drifts run. Mr. Rutherford thinks this will be a great mine.—Rossland Miner.

COWICHAN. COWICHAN LAKE, May 8.—The fly fishing during the past week has not been good owing to the cold, changeable weather, but very large baskets have been taken with spoon bait and Devon minnow.

C. Phillippus Wolley and W. H. Langley, Victoria; H. Annesley Vachell and A. E. Vachell, California; A. B. Townsend, San Francisco; H. E. A. Edmondson and F. F. Pafer, England, are at present spending a few days at the lake fishing.

Chas. S. Alman, Kaslo, and W. A. Robertson, Victoria, have been examining a mining property at the head of the contemplated development of work. S. Medcotte and J. Clark, Vancouver, are also driving a claim on Cotton Wood creek.

SALMO. SALMO, May 6.—Clark & Utley's sawmill is kept busy filling orders. They have obtained the contract for the building of the bridge crossing the Salmon river. The bridge is of the usual government design of a single 75-foot span.

Main street has been cleared again, and now being graded from Railway avenue to the site of the bridge. Tenders will soon be called for the construction of a wagon road to Sheep creek, the camp where rich ore is now being mined.

The citizens have subscribed funds and started this morning to repair the old wagon road connecting with the old Fork trail, so that supplies could be taken in.

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BONDED FOR \$25,000.

One of the largest deals ever put through in the mineral belt north of Rossland was closed on Friday, when Smith & Whitman bonded the Big Four No. 2 group, on the middle fork of Murphy creek, for \$25,000. They are acting for an English syndicate, which has already acquired numerous interests in the Trail Creek camp.

The Big Four No. 2 group consists of six claims, covering about 300 acres. No work has been done on the claims except two assessments, and they are all in the shape of surface cuts. These show well mineralized ledge matter wherever the capping has been penetrated. Average assays run from \$2 to \$7 in gold and about 1 per cent. in copper. On one of the claims, the Dominus, is a nice ledge of free milling quartz which assays \$20 in gold.—Rossland Miner.

THE TRAIL OF DEATH

It begins at the Throat and ends at the Grave. How many a human life is unnecessarily sacrificed.

There are many remedies on the market for the cure of consumption, but consumption, once it reaches a certain stage, cannot be cured. In proferring, therefore, to do what is impossible, these remedies prove themselves to be simply humbug.

Consumption is a disease which destroys the tissue of the lungs. Once gone, no medicine can replace that tissue. Good medicine may arrest the disease even after one lung is wholly gone, as long as the other remains sound. Once both are attacked, however, the victim is doomed.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE. HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:— 24th March, 1897. WILLIAM WARDER WILLIAMS, of Gossip Island, is appointed to be a Justice of the Peace within the County of Victoria. \$200.

STRAYED OR STOLEN from Royal Oak hotel, a black pony named "Buck," with black harness and no on right hip. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Bry's Livery, Stable, Johnson St. \$25.

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THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.
Nearly all the ministers are heard from in parliament more frequently than the Minister of Railways, but he appears to be maturing some very comprehensive plans, which will be brought before parliament in due course. His latest proposition is that it may be advisable to create some sort of railway commission, whose duty it will be to see that railway companies carry out the obligations, which they assume by their charters, to supervise the expenditure incurred in their construction with the view of avoiding over-capitalization and consequently excessive transportation charges, and generally to stand between the companies and the people with a view to the adequate protection of the rights of the latter. On the whole question of railway construction he told the railway committee that it was a good time for parliament to stop and consider. In taking this attitude, Mr. Blair has assumed a position of the first importance to the country and the manner in which he shall seek parliament to make the necessary provisions and how he shall administer the very large powers which may be vested in him by any such new legislation will have a profound effect upon the future of Canada.

Railway construction will certainly be one of the most engrossing subjects in the Dominion during the next ten or fifteen years. We have a vast territory to be opened, and this can be accomplished only by railway construction. In this respect Canada resembles the United States, and it is only too painfully evident that the unbridled license given railway companies under the lax legislation of that country has been productive of untold corruption, outrageous waste of money, monstrous over-capitalization, excessive freight charges, and, to cap it all, a series of liquidations which are distinguishable only by name from repudiation. It is desirable that Canada should steer as wide as possible of the dangerous course followed by the United States. If Mr. Blair's aim is to prevent the errors of our neighbors and profit by the Dominion from being handicapped by excessive railway obligations and charges, he will have the sympathy of his political opponents as well as that of his political friends. It is highly satisfactory to find papers as wide apart in the views on most subjects as the Toronto Globe and Montreal Gazette are, agreeing as to the absolute necessity for legislative safeguards of the nature indicated.

Hitherto parliament and the provincial legislatures have adopted a more or less hap-hazard course in dealing with railways. This remark has very little bearing upon British Columbia, because not very much has actually been done here or been attempted until the last session. The truth of the matter is that government aid to railways in Canada has not been given on any fixed principle. Perhaps it would be more correct to say that this line of policy has never been studied to discover the true principle underlying it, but has been largely, if not wholly, dealt with from time to time as the expediency of the moment—and often it was political expediency—dictated. We think all public men and all the leading papers are agreed as to the urgent necessity of a change in this respect, and that there will be great interest taken in the line of policy which the Minister of Railways may induce the government to adopt, and that the general disposition will be to accord it fair and generous criticism. The open question is as to the degree of control which parliament may be asked to vest in the Minister, and the danger there may be of conferring powers which

may be used politically. To steer a middle course between the Scylla of no supervision and the Charybdis of absolute control will require an extraordinary skill.

Mr. Blair can succeed in perfecting a plan of which the country can approve, he will place the railway department in the very first rank of the Canadian executive. It was the Toronto World, if we remember correctly, which said a few months ago that the opportunity had come in Canada for a great man to make himself felt in connection with our railways. The reference then was to the Crow's Nest Pass line; but the observation is fit for wider application. The immediate future of Canada will be intimately connected with the railway policy that shall prevail. It is liberal and comprehensive, yet prudent and conservative of the public interests in the matter of transportation charges, the growth and development of the Dominion will be phenomenal and permanent. If it is otherwise, though a spasmodic impetus may be given to business, the second effect will be disastrous. Therefore, no matter who shall be Minister of Railways during the next decade, he will be charged with responsibilities scarcely second even to those of the premier's office, and it becomes of the utmost importance that any new departure that shall be made shall be conceived with deliberation and discussed without passion, for it may be epoch-making in its results.

FARMING AS A BUSINESS.

The Colonist is glad that it has been able to arouse an interest in the discussion of dairy farming and hopes that good will result from it. Experience in this line of work has convinced us that while discussion may be confined to very general propositions it does good because it sets people thinking, and out of this practical ideas are evolved, which do not appear in public print, but take the form of actual business. One of the great things to be kept in mind in farming operations is their purely business aspect. Take a small matter as an illustration:

If a young pullet is killed just as she is about to lay her first egg and is carefully dissected, there will be found within her the germ of all the eggs she could ever have laid, no matter how long she had lived or what she had been fed on. No amount of care could make her lay more eggs than are already there partly formed or simply in the shape of minute cells within her body. This being the case, it follows that the more quickly the hen can be got to lay her eggs the more profitable she will be. In the economy of nature one egg a day is all that she will lay, but it is possible by carefully selected food and care to make her lay the maximum number of days in a year, say from 120 to 150, according to the breed. A thorough business-like poultry farmer will, if it is eggs he wants, ascertain what breed of hens will lay the most eggs in a year, and feed them so as to make them lay their total "output" in the shortest number of years. Three years, as a general rule, will exhaust the laying powers of a hen that is kept at her maximum annual product.

This is an example of how poultry farming may be conducted as a business, and it will be seen that it is not a mere hap-hazard thing, but depends for success upon the same principles precisely as gold mining or the management of a factory. So with dairy farming. The man who attempts butter making with a poor cow is just as unbusiness-like as a man who spins cotton cloth on a poor loom. He who gets a good cow and feeds her badly has no more right to expect success than a cotton spinner who buys good looms and poor cotton. And he who gets a good cow and feeds her well, but is careless in butter making, is just as unwise as the cotton mill owner would be if he bought good looms and good cotton and employed poor workmen.

But this is only one side of the business aspect of dairy farming. The great point at which the dairy farmer ought to aim, and every other farmer for that matter, is profit. Mr. Darling, proprietor of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, and the owner of D. D. Farms, N. J., one of the finest dairy farms in the world, said to the writer of this article after they had inspected the great herd of Jerseys and the milking and butter-making, that he weighed the milk after each milking, keeping a record of what each cow yielded. As soon as a shrinkage was observed to continue over a day or two, that is any other than the natural shrinkage, the food of the animal was supplemented, "for," as he said, "a cow will give milk for so many days each year, when treated as I treat mine, none of them being allowed to have her give as it is a direct loss not to have her give as much as possible every one of those days." Mr. Burling, the great Short-horn Hereford breeder of Maine, and in his day the most successful raiser of beef cattle in New England, said he weighed his steers once a week. If they did not gain, he changed the feed; if they still did not gain he changed the feed again; if they still refused to gain, he killed them. "For," he said, "there is no money in putting feed into a steer if he does not gain in weight. The longer you feed him, if he does not get heavier, just so much the more per pound will your beef

cost you and the smaller will be your margin of profit when you come to sell. How much does it cost to produce a dozen eggs? How much does a pound of butter cost the man who makes it? What does it cost to place a tick cookey in the market in the fall? "I can raise ducks at 16 cents each," said Dr. Twibell of the Maine Farmer, "and they sell quickly at Christmas for 80 cents each." Regarded from any standpoint whatever farming is a business, not merely an occupation. The Farmers' Institutes to be organized under the law passed at the last session will make themselves extremely valuable if they cultivate the business side of farming.

THE E. & N. LAND BELT.

The Nelson Tribune is under a most extraordinary misconception in regard to miners' rights within the E. & N. railway belt. It professes to believe that the government has been endeavoring to compel miners to pay the E. & N. company \$3 per acre for surface rights and a royalty of 20 cents per ton on ore and that this would be the law of the Province if Mr. Sward had not carried something or other through the house to prevent it. The Tribune is ridiculous almost to the point of insanity in its references to this matter. The E. & N. railway belt is private property, as much so as any town lot in the city of Nelson. The terms of the grant were settled not between the Provincial government and the late Mr. Dunsmuir and his associates, but between the Dominion government and those gentlemen. If these terms are objectionable in any way, the responsibility does not rest with the Provincial authorities. In point of fact they were not unreasonable. The people of British Columbia were very glad to get the E. & N. railway on the terms agreed upon. It never entered any one's mind that portions of the grant would become exceptionally valuable by reason of the discovery of the precious metals. Mr. Dunsmuir undertook to build the railway for the money and land which he took all the risk of fluctuation in the value of the land. It was a fortunate thing that there was a man in the province who was financially able to take such a risk. If the land had turned out to be of no value at all, he and his associates would have had to put up with this disappointment, and now that portions of it seem likely to be worth a fair price it is rather absurd to complain that a fair price is asked for them. If a man "takes the bitter with the sweet," he is doing all that can be reasonably expected of him. No one would ask him to take all the bitter and surrender what little sweet there may be to other people. Surely a man is not to be refused ordinary fair play simply because he has been able by good business judgment to become richer than his neighbors.

Not only would it be wrong for the legislature to undertake to fix the price of the E. & N. railway lands and the terms upon which they should be sold, but grave doubt exists as to whether the federal government would permit it to do so. That government is a party to the contract with the railway company, and it would be in honor bound to see that good faith was kept. Hence if the legislature should undertake to say upon what price the E. & N. railway lands should be sold, the Governor-General would doubtless be advised to disallow the act. The country must keep faith with those who make contracts with it. The Miner is very contrived because the E. & N. Company endeavored to make good a claim to the precious metals within the railway belt. This is a very small sort of criticism. The language of it is very general and appears on the face of it to cover the precious metals. Any man, not a lawyer, reading the article would interpret it to mean that it covered the precious as well as the base metals to the company; but a question arose as to whether the prerogative rights of the Crown in respect to the precious metals could be taken away without express legislation, and the Courts have decided that they could not. The company would have been Quixotic if it had refused to ascertain what its rights were under the grant. No sane man would think of raising any objection to such a course.

As to the terms announced by the Premier in the house as the basis upon which the E. & N. Company will treat with miners for the sale of surface rights, they are in the opinion of the miners themselves entirely satisfactory; but if they were unsatisfactory, there is nothing in the world that the local legislature can do to help it, for it is not the practice of British legislatures to undertake to say how individuals or corporations shall dispose of their private property.

OUR DEFENCELESS NEIGHBORS.

A gentleman named Jones, who holds a commission as Lieutenant-colonel in the United States army, has come to the fore with a proposition that the government in whose service he is shall proceed to take possession of the Great Lakes and do just what it wants to with them, one of the ideas being that they shall be kept at any level which congress in its wisdom shall think best. The mere fact that Canada happens to own a share in the Lakes does not figure with this military and militant gentleman, for the International Boundary is

merely an astronomical conception." In the same connection he suggests that Equilibrium is useless for purposes of attack or defence against the United States.

It is one of the peculiarities of certain Americans to assume that everything done in any quarter of the globe is aimed either directly or indirectly at the United States. That amiable but irascible old gentleman, Editor Dana of the New York Sun, has quite convinced himself that the Diamond Jubilee is really intended as an attack upon the glorious principles of democracy, of which the United States is alleged to be the sole exponent. And so it is all along the line. Touching the Equilibrium reference, no one except the particular class of Americans referred to ever imagined that the forts were built for offensive purposes against the United States, for that defensive purposes either, so far as that nation is concerned; but what their value would be for either purpose is not to be settled by the mere ipse dixit of any one.

The notion that in the event of hostilities between Great Britain and the United States Canada would be untenable by the former, is advanced at short intervals by people of all grades of intelligence in the republic; but this is also a matter which cannot be settled by mere assertion. The United States is a great country, and it has a frontier of about 9,000 miles, every mile of which is unfortified and open to attack by Great Britain either from land or sea. On the other hand, Canada has about 3,000 miles of territory open to attack from the United States, for the idea of a naval descent upon our coasts is out of the question. There is a class of Americans who are like the Bourbons, in the sense that they never learn anything. Yet they have abundant sources of information. Last year Admiral Walker told the United States Senate committee on coast defenses that the whole coast was in that it is only necessary to put up a few batteries at Sandy Hook to make New York secure, but the Admiral said that if the best modern batteries were erected there a hostile commander having five ships and being willing to risk the total loss of one or two of them, could pass such batteries and have New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City at the mercy of his guns.

Our good neighbors have very much to say about their feet, but when Admiral Walker was asked what would be the ability of the country to resist the whole British fleet, he answered that it was not worth while discussing such a question, for if Great Britain should send against the United States such vessels as she could spare without weakening herself elsewhere she would have the whole coast at her mercy. General Miles, commander-in-chief of the army, gave testimony. One of the questions put to him was as to the ability to overrun Canada. He admitted that there would be volunteers enough. He added, however, that there were no arms or ammunition for such volunteers, and no plan for the mobilization of a large land force. He dwelt upon the incalculable damage that the British fleet could do to the coast.

So far as the defence of Canada is concerned the Canadians themselves would be heard from. If war came in the winter time nature would fight for us; if in summer, the attention of the Americans would be pretty well taken up with defending their cities on the lakes. There is more than a possibility that a war between Great Britain and the United States might mean New York and Chicago in ashes.

But enough of this unprofitable talk. There is no likelihood of war between the two countries, for there is too much good sense in both to permit any such catastrophe. After one has read a few of the boasting editorials in American papers the temptation to reply in kind is too strong to be always resisted, and this must be the excuse for this article.

The News-Advertiser takes the same position as the Colonist in regard to the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in withholding assent from the Oriental labor bill. It must be admitted that the principle involved in acts of this nature is not very readily reconcilable with responsible government, but this is one of the peculiar features of our Canadian system. Some persons have, indeed, contended that it was not worth while attempting to apply the rules of responsible government to the separate provinces any more than to cities and other municipalities. We dissent wholly from this view, but as long as the Lieutenant-Governor occupies the dual position of a provincial and federal officer, there must necessarily arise from time to time apparent inconsistencies between theory and practice.

If you give some people rope enough they will hang themselves to a dead certainty. We told yesterday how it was the practice of the Provincial Secretary to address Mr. Speaker and declare the House prorogued, and the Times asks us triumphantly: How can he do that if Mr. Speaker is not in the chair? Oh, ask us something hard. How can the Lieutenant-Governor address Mr. Speaker, when he begins the Speech, if that gentleman is not in the chair? The answer to this question is the answer to the other.

LADY OF THE SNOWS.

Rudyard Kipling's Poem and the Source Where He Got the Name.

D'Arcy McGee Years Ago Wrote the Quaint Legend in Beautiful Verse.

A great deal of comment has been indulged in as a result of Rudyard Kipling's "tariff" poem, entitled "Our Lady of the Snows," which was published in the London Times after the announcement of the preferential clause which the Dominion government introduced favoring trade with Britain. The poetry, though somewhat indifferent, has a fine sentiment in it, though the title, the Lady of the Snows, has been somewhat criticized. Apparently, Kipling took the title from the charming poem "Our Lady of the Snows," which that brilliant Canadian, Thomas D'Arcy McGee, wrote on the old legend from which Cote des Neiges, Montreal, takes its name. The Montreal Witness reproduced it a short time ago, and no doubt many people will be interested in seeing both McGee's and Kipling's lines:

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS.

(Rudyard Kipling.)
A nation spoke to a nation,
A queen sent word to a throne;
Daughter am I in my mother's house,
But mistress in my own.
The gates are mine to open
As the gates are mine to close,
And I set my house in order,
Said our Lady of the Snows.
Neither with laughter nor weeping,
Fear or the child's amazement,
Soberly under the white man's law
My white men get their ways.
Not for the gentle's clamor,
Insult or threat of blows,
Blew the knee to Basil,
Said our Lady of the Snows.
My speech is clean and single,
I talk of common things,
Words of the wharf and market-place
And the ware that merchant brings.
Favor to those I favor,
But a stumbling-block for my foes,
Many there be that hate me,
Said our Lady of the Snows.
I called my chiefs to council,
In the din of a troubled year,
For the sake of a sign ye could not see,
And a word ye would not hear.
This is our message and answer,
This is the path we choose,
For we be also a people,
Said our Lady of the Snows.
Carry the word to my sisters,
To the queens of the East and South,
I have proved faith in the heritage,
By more than the word of mouth.
They that the world was trumpet blows,
But I am the first in the battle,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

A nation spoke to a nation,
A queen sent word to a throne,
Daughter am I in my mother's house,
But mistress in my own.
The gates are mine to open
As the gates are mine to close,
And I abide by my mother's house,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS.
(By D'Arcy McGee.)
If Pilgrim, chance thy steps should lead
Where, emblem of our holy creed,
Canadian crosses glow—
There you may hear what here you read,
And seek, in witness of the deed,
Our Lady of the Snow!

In the old times when France held sway
From the Balize to Hudson's Bay
O'er all the forest free,
A noble Breton cavalier
Had made his home for many a year
Beside the Rivers Three.
To tempest and to trouble proof,
Rose in the wild his glittering roof
To every traveller dear;
The Breton song, the Breton dance,
The very atmosphere of France,
Diffused a generous cheer.

Strange sight that on those fields of snow
The genial vine of Gail should grow
Despite the frigid sky?
Strange power of man's all-conquering will,
That here the hearty Frank can still
A Frenchman live and die!

His custom was, come foul, come fair,
For Christmas duties to repair
Unto the Ville Marie
The city of the mount, which north
Of the great River looketh forth,
Across its sylvan sea.

Fast fell the snow, and soft as sleep
The hillocks look'd like frozen sheep,
Like giants gray the hills,
The sailing mists seem'd canvas-spread
With its white burden overhead,
And marble hard the hills.

A thick, dull light where ray was none
Of moon, or star, or cheerful sun,
Obscurely show'd the way—
While merrily upon the blast
The jingling horse bells, patting fast,
Told the glad roundelay.

Swift eye came on, and faster fell
The winnow'd storm on ridge and dell,
Efficacy shape and sign—
Until the scene grew blank at last
As when some seaman from the mast
Looks o'er the shoreless brist.

No marvel aught to find ere long
In such a scene the death of song
Upon the bravest lips—
The empty only could be loud
When Nature fronts us in her shroud
Beneath the sky's eclipse.

Nor marvel more to find the steed,
Though famed for spirit and for speed,
Drag on a painful pace—
With drooping crest and faltering foot,
And painful while, the weary brute,
Seems conscious of disgrace.

Until he paused with mortal fear,
Then plaintive sank upon the mere
Stiff as a steed of stone—
In vain the master winds his horn,
None, save the howling wolves forlorn
Attend the dying roan.

Sad was the heart and sore the plight
Of the bemo'd bewilder'd knight
Now scrambling through the storm,
At every step he sank apace—
The death-drears freezing on his face—
In vain each loud alarm!

The torpid echoes of the rock
Answer'd with one unearthly mock
Of danger round about—
Retiring sought their bleak abodes,
And gave no second shout.

Down on his knees himself he cast,
Deeming that hour to be his last,
Yet mindful of his faith—
He pray'd St. Catherine and St. John,
And our dear Lady call'd upon
For grace of happy death.

When lo! a light beneath the trees,
Which clank their brilliant robes—the breeze—
And lo! a phantom fair,
As God in heaven! by that bless'd light
Our Lady's self rose to his sight
In robes that spirits wear!

Oh! lovelier, lovelier far than pen,
Or tongue, or art, or fancy's ken—
Gone was the sorrow of the sword—
And the last passion of our Lord
Had left no living trace!

As when the moon across the moor
Points the lost peasant to his door
And glimmers on his pane—
Or when along her trail of light
Beleated footmen steer at night,
A harbor to regain—

So the warm radiance from her hands
Unbind for him Death's icy bands
And nerve the sinking heart—
Her presence makes a better path,
Ah! he who such a helper hath,
May anywhere depart.

All trembling, as she onward mild,
Follow'd that knight our mother mild,
Vowing to pains in his trouble, He
Until far down the mountain gorge
She led him to the antique forge,
Where her own shrine stands now.

If, Pilgrim, chance thy steps should lead
Where, emblem of our holy creed,
Canadian crosses glow—
There you may hear what here you read,
And seek, in witness of the deed,
Our Lady of the Snow!

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BIRTH.
ALFMAN—In this city, on the 8th inst, the wife of G. W. Alfman, of a son.

MARRIED.
LESLIE—On the 11th inst, at St. Herald street, to the wife of Frederick Landberg, a daughter.

DEED.
BROOKS—In this city, on May 6th, James Brooks, a native of Scotland, died at the age of 78 years.

ASHLEY—At his residence on the Esplanade Road, May 11th, 1897, Frederick Thomas Ashley, a native of Strand of the Green, Kent, Surrey, England.

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POINT ELLICE
First Trial in the St. Against Victoria Tramway
Mrs. J. B. Gordon Sues for Her Husband's Death.

VANCOUVER, May 12.—First of the cases against the tramway out of the Point Ellice opened this afternoon. Justice Davie. This is the plaintiff, Mrs. J. B. Gordon, the death of her husband, and the victims of the disaster was filled with special evidence. The Chief Justice said that the tramway being operated by Cassidy desired to amend by striking out paragraph of the Chief Justice's amendment was inserted action up to the present plaintiff's, in any event the city.

Mr. Wilson, in review the jury, reminded them was tried in Vancouver in case of the success of similar suits the rate of raised somewhat in V. would be painful for Vice on the case. The Chief Justice said a ratepayer in Victoria, in case of the success of some one else to preside, was raised.

The plaintiff, Mrs. G. first witness and explained no other means of support. \$6,300 insurance for her which was inadequate. A commissioner of lands and surveyors had been before it was taken limits in 1893, it by years old. The car ran over it previous to the bridge was capable of strain it was when a pile of a bridge was from years. The debris flooded, tending to cause quicker, owing to being said out. The breaking of the car would cause the bridge.

VANCOUVER, May 13.—case of Gordon vs. Victoria Consolidated Railway Co. this morning. F. Y. gave evidence as to weight of the bridge at 20,000 lbs. G. gave the government convey the bridge of but simply ceased to be it.

T. Harman, a diver, stood on moved to the when the accident he were 97 fath collected number of transfers. H. F. Bell, civil engineer testimony. The factor of the bridge was built was and at the time of thorough it would be reduced a half. If the factor of the bridge was as like stand. The bridge was the purpose it was put. He thought the truss of too high. The panels inches long and good for. At the time of the one car load and ordinary panel—40,000 pounds. Allow any such car. Witness declined to in his opinion, the direct the city, and the rep.

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