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IMMIGRATION WORK ON PRACTICAL LINES

Policy of McBride Government the Best for the Province—Cheerful Reports Come From Interior Country—Richmond Contest

A phase of the policy of the government of Premier McBride, which even the Liberal party is unable to criticize, is the attitude which has been assumed in respect to immigration...

The provincial government could do nothing more. Its efforts had been null and void, and it was left for it to accept the verdict with a good grace.

Had this act been allowed to continue in force, it would have had a most serious effect on the province...

While assuming a position of opposition to the immigration of an undesirable class of people to British Columbia, the present administration has been very consistently in favor of the encouragement of settlers, industrial men and women who will assist in the development of the natural resources of the province.

It is difficult to be experienced in obtaining cooperation of this fact. It is evidenced by the activity of the promoters of the law...

It is not surprising that an average of twenty inquiries daily was being received from outsiders contemplating settlement in this country.

These communications have all been answered, and from what can be gathered, many have been induced to leave their homes in British Columbia...

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The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved. The correspondence included letters of greeting and acknowledgment from Messrs. McLagan, Gordon, Gittin, and McNeill, and the following letter from George Phillips, honorary secretary Victoria Musical society:

The recommendation contained in this council, and Mrs. Justin Gilbert was appointed to represent the L. C. W. in the Victoria branch of the Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. Hasell was appointed press secretary for the year.

Legislation for Saloons—Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Whittier, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Williford, Mrs. Thompson (with power to add).

The Teaching of Purity in the Schools—Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. G. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. G. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. G. C. W. Rhodes.

Women as Sanitary Inspectors—Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. McGregor.

Boys Carrying Firearms—Further information to be procured.

Spring Ridge Gravel Pits—Referred to committee on legislation which latter committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Day, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Spottford, and Mrs. Rhodes.

Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, convenor of the sub-committee in charge of the memorial to Mrs. Paterson, reported a progress report on the memorial.

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Honey is just the thing, but be sure the 50 cents a Bottle.

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GRAND RE-UNION OF WINNIPEGERS

All Preparations Well in Hand for Banquet on Saturday Evening

Arrangements are progressing favorably for the Winnipeggers' dinner to be held on Saturday night.

The idea has taken hold to the fullest extent and it is expected that the gathering will be one of the largest ever held in the city.

Everyone from the prairie seems to wish to attend but the committee desire it to be distinctly stated that only the male sex will be permitted to attend.

It is very probable that another function will be arranged for the ladies at a later date.

There are several prominent vocalists from Manitoba at present in town and they are preparing for the occasion.

"The Red River valley" will be heard as has never been rendered west of the Rockies and all the old songs that have done yeoman duty at prairie festivities in the past will be resuscitated and done the fairest justice to.

There will be stories of old Fort Garry, of St. Boniface, and of the prairie life of the past.

Stories of the prairie life of the past will be accompanied with another. Tales of bygone winters and the happy days of the "Foggy" received by coming to Victoria and its salubrious climate will form one of the most absorbing topics.

Full particulars as to time and place will be given in tomorrow's issue.

In the meantime names are coming in rapidly at local newspaper offices.

The Colonist list has reached sufficient size to warrant by itself the success of the affair.

Those wishing to attend are particularly requested to register their names before noon today so that the committee may be able somewhat to gauge the magnitude of the reunion.

Victoria residents of the prairie colony of men from the prairie is a large one. It is expected that ex-Mayor Arbutnot of Winnipeg, who is now in town from Nanaimo for the occasion, James A. Mitchell, Andrew Wright and many others now living in the city will be attending.

Among those who are only staying in Victoria for a time may be mentioned J. T. Kilgour, a prominent Winnipeg real estate man, who is thought by one of the original owners of the townsite of Saskatoon; and C. H. Kater, a well known consulting architect who is associated in business with a brother of Thomas Hooper, of the city.

Other well known Winnipeggers are H. Percy Simpson and W. L. Foster, of the Hugo Ross Realty Co., C. H. Bell, an artistic decorator; J. McDiarmid and E. S. Cass, of the Victoria Paint and Glass Co.; A. M. Steward, of the Royal Fuel & Lumber Co.; F. A. Clarke, C. E. Simons, of the latter operating in the city; the cattle king, Rosser, Man, who probably has two representatives at the dinner; and A. E. Ferguson, of the Victoria Board of Agriculture, who is a member of the agricultural board of Manitoba. There will also be the Simpson Bros., of the same place.

Rapid City has several old residents here, among them being Alfred Carson, a prominent lawyer; F. L. Head, Libby, candidate for Marquette at the last Dominion election.

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Others are arriving daily to swell the crowd, but it must not be forgotten that all those who have resided on the prairie will be welcome. Though Winnipeggers are taking the lead among the Rockies to the great extent, there are dozens of prominent Victorians, many of them residents here for many years, who wish to renew their old time acquaintance with the men from the world's great granary.

They will turn out in full force. In fact it seems as if almost everyone at some time or another, claimed the prairie as his residence and anxious to take part in the celebration.

CURIOUS ANIMAL STORIES

Chicago News.

"I have a young retriever, gentle, well-bred, handsome," says a correspondent. Her kindly disposition has won her much popularity, and she is loved by the family cat, and green Amateurs and parrot, and the children. A few days ago some poor little superfluous Aberdeen puppies had taken to the prairie and the man went to get the little bodies to give them a decent burial but had mysteriously vanished from the path in which they had found a way.

For a long time we searched in vain, much puzzled at the unaccountable disappearance, until a servant volunteered the information that "Maggie had two little dogs in her bed." And here we found them, one dead and the other clean and dry and gently laid side by side on the straw. She had lashed them to the wall, carried them there and apparently done all she could do to revive them. She has never had a pup of her own, so this seems a curious instance of maternal instinct.

Out of a river bed where it had tumbled when its dam was put to flight, some hunters in India fished a tiger cub. In two days it was as tame as a kitten and grew up the playmate of the camp terriers. One day a fox of them and the terriers worshipped the tigress. To allay the fears of a child, the animal was put to death. The animal was found with a man under its paw and the cub had hurt him. He was a thief, and not knowing of her existence had come within the area which he had fenced in and done the foulest deed. She sprang upon him, lay on him and kept him prisoner until guards came and shot him.

For some reason not yet discovered the elephants in Rhodesia have a rooted objection to the passenger along the railway line. They pull them out of the ground with their trunks and cause considerable annoyance and trouble.

If you are Constipated, dull or bilious, or have a swollen complexion, try Lax-o-ne just once to see what they will do for you. Lax-o-ne is a gentle, reliable, and safe cathartic. It is pleasant to take and does not hurt the stomach. It is a sure and certain remedy for all cases of constipation. It is a sure and certain remedy for all cases of constipation. It is a sure and certain remedy for all cases of constipation.

THE OCEAN LINER.

Safety Devices That Are Operated From the Bridge.

It is in its safety devices and the provision made to meet every possible accident that the ocean liner is perhaps most remarkable.

All the machinery which may set in motion in case of danger is controlled from the bridge, so perfectly has it been arranged that the entire vessel could be controlled if the necessity should arise by means of a series of levers and push buttons.

About the walls of the wheelhouse are arranged curious looking indicators, much the same as those seen behind the desk of a great hotel. About them are hung a surprising variety of barometers, thermometers, thermistats, wind and rain gauges and other less familiar looking instruments.

There are rows upon rows of buttons and levers on every hand, all highly polished and in the most perfect working order. The danger of fire is feared, for instance, and is anticipated by a thermostat connected with the frame filled with little squares like the hotel indicator.

There is a thermometer of the ship electrically connected with this box which are constantly on guard. If a fire should start in any part of the great ship the temperature would of course rise, and the fact would instantly be announced in the wheelhouse by the ringing of a bell, while a red light would flash at the same time in one of the squares of the indicator. The man at the wheel could tell at a glance the exact point of danger—Francis Arnold Collins in St. Nicholas.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

January 16, 1907.

McDaniel vs. Canadian Pacific Railway Company. (Before Martin, J.) This is an appeal from the judgment of Farin C. J. in an action, tried before him on the 10th of December, 1906. The claim arose out of the killing of certain cattle of the company by one of their trains at an unfenced portion of the right of way.

The defence was that at that particular place the company was not bound by section 199 of the Railway Act of Canada, 1903, that they were allowed to pasture on large area of unfenced and unfenced country and the risk was the plaintiff's.

On the appeal, Mr. Davis, K. C., for the respondent company, took the ground that the Dominion Railway Act of 1903 does not apply to the Canadian Pacific railway, but that that corporation is governed by its charter and the Railway Act of 1879, which is to be read into that of 1903.

It is held that the company is not affected by any amendment to the Railway Act subsequently to 1879. Judgment was accordingly given in favor of the plaintiff.

Mr. S. S. Taylor, K. C., for appellant. (Plaintiff.)

Adams vs. Buek. (Before Martin, J.) This is an appeal from the judgment of Farin C. J. in an action, tried before him on the 30th of November, 1906, arising out of a claim for the balance of the price of a large built by plaintiff for defendant, \$100.75. The contract turns on a point of delivery and acceptance under the Sale of Goods Act. Judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff.

Mr. S. S. Taylor, K. C., for respondent. (Defendant.)

Mr. W. J. Russell, Esq., Ont., writes: "At one time I suffered greatly from my heart and nerves, and the shortness of breath was so bad I could scarcely do my work. A friend of mine advised me to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, which I did and I only took them for a short time before I was better."

The price of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills is 50 cents per box or 3 boxes for \$1.25 at all dealers or mailed direct to receipt, Toronto by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

FINAL MEETING IS AN UPROARIOUS ONE

Much Noise Prevails During Closing Addresses in Civic Campaign

The closing meeting of the present civic campaign, held in the city hall last evening, was most noisy. To say that the uproar, which on several occasions absolutely put a stop to the proceedings, was the fault of any particular party or set would be unfair.

There were present at the meeting numbers of the best and most respected citizens of Victoria. Many ladies were to be seen among the audience, and a fair hearing of the speakers was given.

Mr. Paterson followed Mayor Morley. He had, he said, listened with surprise to His Worship's speech. He had always thought that the last meeting of the campaign was called for the purpose of hearing from the mayor an account of his stewardship. Instead of this, Mr. Paterson had been in a storm of invective against him.

He would not, he stated, take the pains to give a fair hearing to the speakers, as his time was limited, and he wished to deal with matters of importance before the city council.

He valued his self-respect, but would give a fair hearing to the speakers, and would allow themselves to be deceived by unfounded statements.

Mr. Paterson dealt at some length with the water question, severely censuring the council of 1906 for not having taken more active action in this regard. He dealt with the work of the court of revision, pointing out that the council had been negligent in having investigated the amendments to the Municipal Elections Act before the council.

Regarding moral reform, His Worship had spoken as if the council had not a moral mission to perform. He said that as if the present mayor were the only man who had any property to lose after the moral good of the city. His Worship had striven to introduce a measure affecting that all licenses should be renewed every year.

Such a measure, the speaker claimed, would have been a boon to the city, and similar to that existing in the American cities. He had been brought up by no clique and he would administer the affairs of the city with equity and justice.

As for his being regarded as an enemy of that company, His Worship had stated that he had never been connected with the campaign, that free cigars or drinks were playing no part in it. So far as the money was concerned, he was not concerned, he could testify, as His Worship had taken advantage of every session held by him, to save the price of hire of halls, advertising and such unconsidered trifles.

Mr. Paterson had been told by his friends not to vote for him unless they really considered him to be the best man, and retired amidst cheers.

To a question as to whether he owned stock in the Esquimaux Works Company, he replied in the negative; while, when asked if he was interested in the sealing company, he offered to sell his stock at a price to be named by the speaker.

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Local News

Sanction Elections—Joseph Nicholson, who is a candidate for the position of reeve at the election of the Sanction municipality, is ill and will thus be prevented from attending any of the meetings arranged for the purpose of electing his friends.

Brandon Math Invests—Thomas Towers, one of the shrewdest investors from Brandon, at present in the city, yesterday purchased three residential properties as investments.

They included a house on Richmond avenue, another on Dallas road and a third in the north end of the city. He intends making his headquarters in the course of the next few days.

Convention at Nelson—At Nelson on Feb. 18 and 19 the third annual convention of the British Columbia Association of the Officers of the Association will be held. Two sessions will be held each day and much important business will be transacted.

The officers of the association are: President, George Jay, Victoria; vice president, Dr. E. C. C. B. Leitch, Vancouver; secretary, J. J. Dougan, Vancouver.

To Support Pheasants—Pheasant and Leonty the Johnson street gunsmiths, have organized a subscription list to provide a fund to feed pheasants in the district. A large number of subscribers have been secured. Already \$11 has been subscribed.

When a shipment of grain has been received, it will be sent to the E. & N. and V. S. railways to the various game limits on the Island. The officers of the district are being asked to lend their kindly aid also.

Even the smallest contributions will be appreciated. Subscriptions should be sent to Pheasant and Leonty, 45 Johnson street.

Water Works Difficulty—The precaution taken by thousands of householders throughout the city in allowing their water to run for the last few nights is proving a severe strain on the civic water system.

"We've had to keep the pumps going night and day," said Water Commissioner Raymunt yesterday. "The strain on the system was not so great during the hottest period of summer as it has been for the last few days."

A large number of complaints are being received from the city in connection with the city's water supply.

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TRADES COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

Some Interesting Business Transactions at Monthly Meeting Last Evening

The Victoria Trades and Labor council met last evening in Labor hall, J. C. Watters being voted to the chair.

Credentials were presented by the following delegates, who will represent their districts at the annual meeting of the International Association of Machinists, Lodge No. 406—Chas. Magrill, A. Herburger, J. C. Watters, J. H. E. Levy, J. J. Dougan, Vancouver.

Barbers' Union—W. Harrison. An communication was received from the plumbers of the district of the Canadian Labor congress, urging the council to endeavor to induce their parliamentary representatives to lend their influence and support to all bills framed in the interest of labor that may come before the present session of the Dominion parliament.

A surprise was sprung on the secretary, C. Sevritz, who was presented with a well-laden purse with an embossed letter, thanking him for his long and faithful services to the council.

Delegate Sevritz replied in a few well-chosen sentences, and was warmly applauded.

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EARTHQUAKE DESTROYS CAPITAL OF JAMAICA

Pretty City of Kingston Laid in Ruins by Shock and Fire—One Hundred People Killed and Many Injured—A Pitiful Scene

Kingston, the picturesque capital of the island of Jamaica, has been devastated by a violent earthquake. Details of the disaster are lacking, as direct communication with the stricken city has been cut off. The land lines had been reconstructed to within five miles of Kingston on Tuesday evening, and from meagre reports received through such channels as were open it has been learned that many of the most important buildings have been destroyed, and that there has been serious loss of life. So far as the reports indicate, the fatalities number less than a hundred, though the hospitals are filled with injured, and the list of victims may be materially increased.

Kingston and the other points of interest on the island are at this season of the year thronged with tourists from both England and America, and the greatest apprehension is felt for the safety of many persons who have recently arrived at the Jamaica resorts. The most distinguished of these were members of a party of English statesmen, agricultural experts and men of affairs, who under the leadership of Sir Alfred Jones had arrived in Kingston within the past few days to attend an agricultural conference. Among those in the company were Hall Caine, the novelist; Viscount Mountmorres, H. C. Arnold-Forster, M. P.; Sir Thomas Hughes, Sir Thomas Shann, and others of equal prominence. The Earl and Countess of Dudley were also passengers on the steamer which carried out the Jones party.

The first great shock was felt about 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, and as in the San Francisco and Valparaiso disasters, flames immediately sprang from the wreckage to carry on the work of destruction. Tuesday afternoon the fire was still burning, although it was believed to be under control.

The Myrtle Bank hotel, the principal hotel at Kingston, which sheltered probably the great bulk of the visitors on the island, is reported destroyed. The great majority of the hotels were burned, and forty soldiers are reported dead.

Sir James Ferguson is said to have been instantly killed, but according to London reports, no other Englishman, Canadian or American is believed to be missing.

The extent of the destruction which has been wrought in Kingston, a city which annually attracts a large number of disastrous visitations by fire, earthquakes and cyclones in years gone by, is still largely a matter of imagination. The city is one of low-lying buildings clustered along the shores of the finest and most secure land-locked harbor in the West Indies. The population is about 50,000.

Many steamers carrying tourists to Jamaica were en route to the island when the earthquake occurred, but it so happened that according to the rules none of the ships from New York or Boston were in Kingston harbor on Monday afternoon.

The Early Reports.—On Jan. 15, the cable station at Hollant Bay, Jamaica, reports that a very severe earthquake occurred there at 3:30 on Monday afternoon. The cable office was badly damaged, and all the land lines to Kingston were interrupted. Communication by the land lines and wireless stored this afternoon to within five miles of Kingston. That city reports a terrible earthquake on Monday afternoon. The cable office was destroyed, and all the land lines to Kingston were interrupted. Communication by the land lines and wireless stored this afternoon to within five miles of Kingston. That city reports a terrible earthquake on Monday afternoon. The cable office was destroyed, and all the land lines to Kingston were interrupted.

FUEL FAMINE IN NELSON.—Nelson, Jan. 15.—Intense cold prevails here, the glass going several points below zero last nightfall. A little snow is on the hills, but no coal or wood on hand and none in sight. The railways are short of fuel, and the situation is becoming serious.

CAMPAIGN NOTES.—Outside Reports Speak Well for the Conservatives. "The solid Liberal-Conservative five will be returned on the 2nd of February in Vancouver." This statement is made by a prominent Vancouver manufacturer in a communication to a Victoria friend. He says that the Terminal City electors intend doing the same thing as they did for years ago. The feeling is strongly in favor of the endorsement of Premier McBride's administration, and he expresses confidence that it will be unmistakably evinced on polling day.

CONSERVATIVES SOLID SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS

Vancouver, Jan. 15.—The political pot here is boiling merrily. Reports current on the dissolution of the Conservative party are quite unfounded. Any small differences were settled immediately. Mr. Cowan spoke for Cotton at Stevenson on Monday night.

ANARCHIST PLOT.—Madrid, Jan. 15.—The police have discovered an anarchist plot to kill several prominent persons on Jan. 21, the day fixed for the opening of the parliamentary debate on the attempt on the lives of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria, on the day of their marriage, May 31 last.

QUEBEC'S CLAIMS.—Quebec, Jan. 15.—The Quebec legislature opened this afternoon. Reference was made to the claim of the province for territory lying between the northern boundary and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The efforts made to mark the boundary between Quebec and Newfoundland, and the satisfactory adjustment of provincial subsidies.

TYPHOON KILLS MANY.—Destructive Storm Sweeps Over Part of Philippines. Manila, Jan. 15.—The islands of Leyte and Samar were swept by a typhoon on Jan. 10. One hundred lives were lost in Leyte. The barracks and officers' quarters on the coast coast were destroyed. The damage to property has been estimated at \$1,000,000. Communication with Leyte and Samar has been cut off for six days, and the news of the typhoon of the storm were received today.

NEW ZEALAND THROUGH ROSE COLORED GLASSES.—Nestling under the Southern Cross, the New Zealand group of islands has been called the Pearl of the South Pacific. In area the group is only slightly less than Great Britain and Ireland. The Middle Island alone being larger than England and Wales. The group of 13,000 miles of coast line of the islands include some excellent harbors.

Some of the mountains are perpetual snow-capped, and the valleys in which hot springs send aloft their shafts of steam and where huge masses of snow and ice hang in eternal ranges, fertile valleys, grassy plains, rippling rivers and crystal lakes abound. The climate is that of a traveler of Scotland in its beauty, while the climate and growth of semi-tropical fruits resemble those of Southern California.

For it is never too hot or too cold in New Zealand. There are no blizzards or droughts such as afflict parts of Australia. Such are nature's contributions to the happiness and well-being of the people. With such rich assets upon which to base the fabric of their social system, the people have endeavored to be present to the world a few new "stunts" in the way of government of the people, by the people and for the people.

THE ORDEAL OF FIRE.—With that curious and interesting regarding the customs and condition of the people of Egypt is to be found in Lord Cromer's recent report on the Sudan, the peninsula of Sinai, which figures so prominently in Bible history, is one of the wildest portions of the Egyptian dominions. Among the Bedouin tribes which inhabit it the system of taking blood money and hereditary "vendettas" is still in full force.

A GENUINE CLOTHING SALE.—20 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON ALL MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS. This is not a sale of Odds and Ends, but a straight, clean cut of 20 per cent on any suit or overcoat in the store. Sale continues till the end of January, when we take stock.

THE RING.—British Columbia Championship. The annual championship boxing contest will be held in the Terminal City under the auspices of the Vancouver Athletic club on Thursday, January 24th, when it is expected that there will be several entries from all parts of the province. The fight to conduct and govern the provincial championship boxing tournament was entrusted over to the Vancouver club a few months ago by the former Victoria Boxing club. Entries for the coming tournament will be confined to amateurs and contests will be arranged in all classes. Several exponents of the art of self-defense residing here are now undergoing a course of training with a view to taking part in the competitions and expect to bring some of the province's best fighters to the ring. The rules governing amateur bouts the contests will be the same as those of the professional winner will be the man who does the most leading.

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WORKERS COME FROM THE FEDERAL CAPITAL

Ralph Smith, M. P., and William Sloan, M. P., for Provincial Campaign - General Notes of Progress - Esquimalt Liberals Nominate John Jardine

The operations of the Ottawa "machines" become more pronounced as the provincial general election campaign proceeds. It is quite apparent that the Federal authorities have determined to assist J. A. Macdonald, K. C., and his party in their desperate fight for supremacy in British Columbia by every means in their power. When it was first rumored that W. W. B. McInnes, of Vancouver, had been elected to represent the Yukon, intended resigning his position in order to participate in the election, it was widely credited as such a definite indication to that effect as received it was surmised, not only by Liberal-Conservatives but by the Liberals themselves, that Mr. McInnes had not been altogether prompted by altruistic sentiments in his desire to take a vital campaign. It was suggested that the Dominion government, recognizing the growing importance of the Canadian West, had decided to leave no stone unturned in the endeavor to place a Liberal administration in control of its destinies.

Since that time this belief has had substantiation from various sources. For instance, a somewhat startling announcement was made some days ago that Henderson, who had been up his seat on the bench for the purpose of facing the somewhat uncertain vicissitudes of British Columbia politics. The action of the ex-minister of the Yukon taken separately, or that of Mr. Henderson, now one of the Liberal candidates in Vancouver, considered in the same light, might not have caused such widespread discussion. But looked at in the light of other similar events there could be no doubt in the minds of observers that the Ottawa "machines" were being brought to bear upon the present election to an unusually marked extent.

More Machine Men

The conclusion which was borne out by an announcement which was made yesterday and which came from authoritative quarters in Ottawa, is that Ralph Smith, M. P., and W. Sloan, M. P., had been called upon to assist Mr. McInnes in his campaign. It is the hope of the government that the people will support its opponents on the 2nd of February.

While the latest development is generally regarded as a definite indication that the Federal authorities are interesting themselves in the present campaign, it also shows that Mr. McInnes has failed to sweep through the province like a firebrand, flaming ever fiercer as it progressed. Mr. McInnes has failed to sweep through the province like a firebrand, flaming ever fiercer as it progressed. Mr. McInnes has failed to sweep through the province like a firebrand, flaming ever fiercer as it progressed.

MR. MANSON'S TOUR

To Visit West Coast Section of Alberta - Feels Confident

Last evening Hon. W. Manson, provincial secretary, left for Alberta by the steamer Queen City. It is his intention to make a complete tour of his constituency before election day. Yesterday, in conversation with a Colonial representative, he expressed the utmost confidence in the outcome. There was not the slightest doubt in his mind that he would be returned. It was quite apparent that the visit of W. W. B. McInnes, in company with the Liberal candidate, H. C. Brown, to the district, had not had the effect looked for. The people had not evinced the enthusiasm anticipated. He believed—in fact he was perfectly sure—that his constituents would remain true to him and to the McBride government in the forthcoming election. Some time ago he had spent a month in the constituency, and then had gauged the situation carefully. As a result he had reached the conclusion that the people would support the government by an even larger majority than before.

A STRONG CANDIDATE

Dr. O'Brien Has Excellent Chance in Nanaimo

Nanaimo, Jan. 14.—Supplementary to the brief dispatch announcing the nomination of Dr. R. S. O'Brien at the Conservative convention, it can safely be said that the meeting was one of the largest and most successful ever held in this city, and that the Doctor has every chance of election. The meeting was a logical detour, and was unanimous in the opinion that Dr. O'Brien had very bright prospects of being elected. The utmost confidence was expressed in the McBride government. The Doctor is a strong candidate, having made a life-long study of politics, and probably the best man in the province better acquainted with political affairs than he. He is a forcible speaker, a logical debater, and is versatile and aggressive. He will certainly make an able representative. The Conservative vote in Nanaimo is being largely increased by the Doctor. He will unquestionably head the poll. Perfect harmony and confidence exist among Hon. Mr. Manson, Dr. O'Brien in the Albert district. The Conservatives in that riding were never more confident of victory than they are at the present time. Hon. Mr. Manson is positive that he will be returned. He is losing courage, although the opposition candidate is putting up a strenuous fight.

That Robert Grant, the Conservative candidate for Comox district, will be returned by a handsome majority was the prediction of the majority of the passengers coming by the steamer City of Nanaimo from Comox.

CAMPAIGN NOTES

"How do things look?" asked an enthusiastic party man of the secretary of the Liberal-Conservative Association yesterday. "Oh, fine," was the reply. "The situation is bright. Dr. O'Brien will be more plausibly expressed when Messrs. Smith and Sloan come to address the meeting. There is opposition to the present administration."

While a certain section of the Liberals do not object to the intervention of the "machine," there are many who do, and the latter are registering their dissatisfaction very loudly. This is noticeable in Victoria, a large number having left the ranks of the party because of the tactics adopted in conducting the election. The same is the case, judging from reports, in Spanish Forks where the supporters of Mr. Tanner are believed to feel strongly towards those who brought the influence of the "machine" to bear upon the election, with the result that Dr. O'Brien was substituted for Mr. Tanner.

Through the storm of unfair criticism, misrepresentation and innuendo, using the words of Mr. Green, and despite the machinations of those representing the Ottawa authorities, the Liberal-Conservatives are pursuing an even course unperturbed. From their viewpoint the situation is indeed rosy. But, although the outlook is bright, they are not allowing their energies to slacken. They are working on every branch and system in every district, and the reports which are constantly being received, given the most moderate interpretation, indicate an overwhelming victory for Premier McBride and his government. Feb. 2, judging from general indications, should be the most triumphant in the history of British Columbia. It is only necessary to size-up the situation on the Island and then to note the most successful progress being made by the Premier through the interior to realize the correctness of this conclusion.

The tactics of the opposition are too "thin," to use a slang but common term, to beguile the intelligent public of British Columbia. As was pointed out yesterday by a prominent local politician, the failure of Mr. Macdonald to advance any definite policy and his action in attacking the government on a basis of scandal is turning away those people who might be inclined to favor the opposition. The success of the McBride government in dealing with a serious financial situation and in securing the passage of progressive legislation, which assisted in bringing about the present very prosperous condition of affairs, is a high standing in the estimation of the general public. Therefore its endorsement at the polls is accepted by it as a high standing in the estimation of the general public. Therefore its endorsement at the polls is accepted by it as a high standing in the estimation of the general public.

MEXICAN SERVICE TO BE STARTED SHORTLY

Steamer Sails Today—Coasting Regulations Spoken of in House

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Captain Woranop, of the British Columbia and Mexican steamship line, is here. He says the first steamer, the Georgia, sails today from Liverpool for Mexico, and will return on her first trip on the route early in March. The Londale, the sister ship, will sail three weeks later. G. W. Ross, ex-premier of Ontario, Robert Beth, ex-M. P., John Costigan and D. Gillmore have been appointed senators. It is claimed that the appointments of Costigan and Gillmore are illegal, as neither is resident in New Brunswick, for which province they are appointed.

Mr. Macpherson will move that it is advisable for the government to take active steps towards the establishment of terminal elevators at Vancouver for the better handling of grain and other western province crops whose natural output is by the Pacific Coast.

A formal offer of the Yukon commission was made to Ralph Smith today. It is generally believed he will accept, but in any case the appointment will not be made until April.

In the House tonight an interesting discussion took place on the subject of the Yukon. Both sides agreed that the privileges now enjoyed by foreign vessels under old treaties should be withdrawn. Mr. Fielding declared that this was a question affecting not only the Maritime Provinces, but the Great West and the Pacific Coast. He felt that the only assistance which could be given to Canadian shipbuilding was by means of a ship, and this was

now under consideration by the government.

FIERCER PRAIRIE STORM

Severe Cold Causes One Death and Much Suffering

Macleod, Alta., Jan. 14.—The extremely cold weather continues. Range cattle suffer for want of food, shelter and water. Building operations are all suspended. Trains are tied up in all directions.

Medicine Hat, Alta., Jan. 14.—The worst storm of the year has been raging at Medicine Hat. The west end of the Crow's Nest Pass line is in very bad shape. A yard engine sent to Hillcrest to do some work got stuck in the snow. A freight engine was sent down to pull it out, and that got stuck also, and both went dead. A freight train got stuck in the snow between Cowley and Pincher, and went dead.

Winipeg, Jan. 14.—A telegram from North Battleford announces the freezing to death on the prairie of Alex. Crawford, a homesteader, who was living near Medicine Hat. He came from Dunham, Ont.

OVER EMBANKMENT

Injuries to Passengers on Train Near Macleod

Macleod, Alta., Jan. 14.—The passenger train from Calgary, due here about Saturday morning, was derailed with a serious mishap while climbing the grade at full speed. Three passengers were killed and two seriously injured. The brakeman and three passengers were badly injured. Two ladies and the conductor who were on the train, escaped with but few bruises owing to the fact that the coach did not follow the others down the embankment. The passengers were transferred to a coach, dispatched to the scene shortly after the accident and were brought into town. The injured were taken to the hospital, where Dr. Milburn gave them attention. The train was derailed at a point where the grade was badly broken, not serious. Mr. Legg, brakeman, scalp wounds, not serious. T. Beigel, who was on his way to the hospital, fractured, right hand badly smashed, injuries serious but not dangerous.

TWENTY-FIVE DROWN FROM BRITISH SHIP

Pengwern Wrecked and Her Crew Lost off the Coast of Germany

Hamburg, Jan. 14.—The captain of the tug Yukon tells a graphic story of the attempt to save the crew of the British ship Pengwern, from Chilli for Falmouth, which went ashore off the Schaarhorn yesterday.

When the captain noticed that the Pengwern was steering directly towards the Schaarhorn, he turned the tug about to warn Capt. Williams of the Pengwern of his danger, but before the tug reached the doomed vessel she had struck the rocks. The crew, which were whipped up by the gale and a strong tide, threw her on her beam ends.

The tug steamed alongside the Pengwern, actually graining; the stranded vessel, however, refused to budge. Repeated requests, refused to jump. One of the apprentices who attempted to do so, was held back by his companions.

The tug eventually passed a hawser to the Pengwern, but her crew refused to attempt to pull her up. In trying to pull off the wrecked ship, the hawser broke and the tug was driven toward the shore. The ship had been engulfed by the waves and the crew numbered thirty-five officers and men, were drowned.

CHARGE AGAINST PEIRCE

Alleged Crooked Work in Connection With Sealing Seizure

Washington, Jan. 14.—Sensational charges against Herbert D. Peirce, United States minister to Norway, who was formerly third assistant secretary of state, were made before the house yesterday on ways and means. Mr. Peirce was in connection with a hearing on a resolution for the further extension of the seal on the high seas.

Prof. Elliott states that while Mr. Peirce was representing the United States government before the seal tribunal in the settlement of the claims growing out of the seizure of the sealers vessel, and the Russian government, on the charge of piracy, he represented the owners of the vessel, and the sealers. It was in the United States district court for the district of Columbia to insure the payment of his fees out of the money awarded to the vessel owners.

FROZEN TO DEATH

Three Women Victims of the Cold in North Dakota

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senator Hansbrough, who was at the White House today, said he had received a letter from Minot, North Dakota, saying that three women had been found frozen to death, and the facts had been kept out of the newspapers.

In response to an appeal from Superintendent Zolbach, of the Totten Indian school, in North Dakota, Interstate Commissioner Herlan has requested Senator Elliott of the Northern Pacific to break the blockade and rush a supply of coal to the town of Jamestown and northern branch of the road without regard to effect or expense.

THE BARRACOUTA ASHORE

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—The Mercantile Exchange has received a cablegram stating that the Pacific Mail steamship Barracouta is ashore at Corinto, Nicaragua.

The vessel is being taken up by lighters, and it is expected that the vessel will be floated at the next high tide. Corinto is a port of call for the Barracouta, and it is not known why she stopped there.

SUIT AGAINST RAILWAYS

New York, Jan. 14.—Violation of the Sherman Act prohibiting combinations in restraint of trade, is charged in a suit against the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific railways, brought in the United States circuit court today by Thomas & Co. of this city, exporters.

EAST KOOTENAY SOLD IN SUPPORT OF PREMIER

Enthusiastic People of Cranbrook Listen to Conservative Speakers

LOOKS WELL FOR THE CANDIDATE

Dr. King's Weak Effort—Opposition Has Little Chance in Any of the Districts

Cranbrook, Jan. 14.—The coldest weather the pioneers of Cranbrook have ever experienced was not cold enough to interfere with their interest in the political issues of the day, and with the thermometer 85 degrees below zero tonight the turnout was larger than the theatre could accommodate. In the audience were electors who had come all the way from Port Steele and Moyie to give evidence of their approval of the administration of Premier McBride.

The sentiment of the meeting was the same as that expressed at the line since the Premier and W. J. Bowser left Vancouver a week ago, and the supporters of J. A. Harvey, J. A. Harvey, John LeMay (Labor), and Dr. King (Liberal). Dr. King did not arrive until the meeting was well advanced, and he had very little to say. What he did have to say was about the Midway & Vernon, and the Westport and Port Renfrew Island deals. He was followed by the Premier, who in his denunciation of the opposition as represented by the Chinese exclusion bill, now assured that their cause is popular, and that the people who have voted for the Chinese exclusion bill, in China from which they sail, as well as in the American ports where they land. The bill is regarded by the Californians as a relaxation of the exclusion act.

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SPOKANE'S FIGHT

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 14.—A battle over freight rates, the result of which may affect wholesale centres all over the nation, began at the court house this morning. The Chamber of Commerce, commissioners Charles A. Prouty and Franklin K. Lane, is the suit of the city of Spokane, the Chamber of Commerce and the Spokane Jobbers' association against the Great Northern, the Northern Pacific and allied railway lines.

The complaint charges unjust discrimination in freight rates, the rates on goods shipped from eastern points to Spokane being based on the through rate from the east to the Pacific coast, Spokane. The shippers of this city contend that it is unjust to charge more to haul goods to this city than to haul them through Spokane and 400 miles further on to the coast. The railroads and the wholesale dealers of the coast cities contend that the lower rate is justified by the danger that water competition will throw the traffic to other lines. It is also contended that the principle of equalizing rates should be equal to or less than the rates to the coast might revolutionize the business of the country, the system of giving lower rates to coast cities being general.

Spokane is represented in the rate fight by Brooks Adams of Boston, H. M. Stephens and the corporation's counsel, W. C. Grayby of this city. The railroads are represented by a strong corps of legal advisers, if being estimated at 200 or 300 attorneys have been enlisted in one manner or another in this case.

RESULTS OF NOMINATION PROCEEDINGS YESTERDAY

Nanaimo, Jan. 14.—The civic nominations today resulted as follows: Mayor, A. E. Planta, re-elected by acclamation. Nominations for aldermen: North Ward, William Kirkham, Thos. Hodgson, Alex. Forrester, D. G. Dalry, G. D. Barlow; Middle Ward, W. Young, W. H. Morton, J. S. Knarston, W. Dick, E. C. Barnes; South Ward, C. Wilson, W. T. Kempie, Newton, H. McInnes, Trustees, J. Young, E. Quennell, M. Maher, A. Forrester, A. E. Planta. Cumberland Ward, H. McInnes. The nominations were: North Ward, T. White, Middle Ward, T. E. Bate; South Ward, C. H. Tarbell, N. Macleod. So little interest was taken in the municipal elections this year that the board is short two members—one for Middle Ward and one for South Ward. William was elected mayor by acclamation.

GERMAN INSURANCE COMPANIES

Hamburg, Jan. 14.—At the stockholders' meeting held yesterday the German Fire Insurance company and the North German Fire Insurance company, respectively, were re-elected. The resolutions were unanimously approved. It was announced that a local court had decided that the British Government was liable for the loss of the ship "The Scotia" as a result of the San Francisco earthquake of 1906, and that the British Government should reimburse two English companies which had reinsured San Francisco risks with it for losses already settled.

MILLIONAIRES' TAXES

New York, Jan. 14.—Andrew Carnegie will be the heaviest personal taxpayer in New York, if the list of assessments made public today is not amended. The value of his personal property is fixed at \$5,000,000, and that of John D. Rockefeller at \$2,500,000.

BOUNDARY ARBITRATION

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 14.—The boundary dispute between Argentina and Chile has been submitted to the President of Argentina for arbitration.

NEWFOUNDLAND WRECKS

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 14.—The fishing schooner Richard Wainwright, of Gloucester, Mass., from Bay of Islands, was wrecked Friday at Flat Bay, St. George's. One man was drowned, the schooner is a total wreck. Another schooner, the Romeo, of Burgeo, Nfld., with a load of herring, was also wrecked yesterday at Grand River. The crew escaped, but the schooner is lost.

OYSTER BEDS FROZEN

Tacoma, Jan. 14.—The lowest tide of the year occurred last night. This exposed the oyster beds of Puget Sound to the cold, and above zero, which was sufficient to freeze the oysters, so that all are dead. New beds will have to be planted, and it will be five years before the oyster industry will again be on the market. The loss amounts to several hundred thousand dollars.

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GUGGENHEIMS AFTER MINES ON ISLAND

Bond Three Claims on Sooke Harbor and Property Head of Leech River—Quarter of Million Dollars Involved in the Transaction

The copper property of D. E. Campbell, druggist, and J. Collier, Dr. Barnley & Co., consisting of three claims on Sooke harbor, has been bonded to the Guggenheims of New York for \$100,000, and the copper claims of Finley and Martin, situated on the north fork of Leech river, at the headwaters, have been bonded by the same New York mining magnates for \$150,000. The option taken by the Guggenheims on both properties is for thirty years, and expires at the end of this month.

If the option on the properties is taken up by the Guggenheims, said to be believed the deals will be consummated, the mines will be developed without delay. Machinery will be sent in, and a number of miners employed in camps established at each property, both of which are tributary to the Leech river, at the head of which is the Finley and Martin property, has been the goal of many stampedes of gold-seekers, and there was also a quartz treasure hunt eight years ago at Leechtown, at the junction of the

Leech and Sooke rivers. Sixty thousand dollars worth of stolen gold dust was reported to have been buried near the large house, and many hunks were made, all like those to Coos Bay, being without success. It seems that in the spring of 1898 a dying man in the county jail at San Francisco confessed to the jailer who cared for him that he had in 1895 stolen \$60,000 in California and had buried it at Leech river, a certain distance from the largest house in the camp. At the direction of the dying man a map was made, and the San Franciscans while here told some local men of their map and destination, and other treasure-hunters joined them. All failed to locate the buried gold, and the policemen returned to San Francisco.

There have also been various small stampedes to Leech river on account of new finds reported, the last stampede having taken place from Victoria in 1900.

ARRANGING FOR AN INFORMAL REUNION

Winnipeggers Now in City Will Hold Banquet on Saturday Evening Next

Winnipeg is going to celebrate in Victoria on Saturday night. There are so many prominent men from the Manitoba territory here, that some of the most energetic have determined to show the residents of British Columbia how residents of the capital of Manitoba are to be treated. They will meet at the Victoria Hotel on Saturday evening next, and will be followed by a banquet at the Victoria Hotel.

NEARLY WRECKED BY A SHORTAGE OF FUEL

Steamer's Adventure—Drowning of a Sailor—Herring at Nanaimo

Nanaimo, Jan. 14.—After cutting up her deckload of lumber to keep up steam and save her from going ashore in Cowichan Gap the other day, the British steamer Islesworth, lumbered from Port Blakeley to Shanghai, arrived at Union Bay with just enough fuel to last her for a few days. When her fuel was exhausted, her steam went down and she was turned right about by the current and drifted back with the tide, fortunately without injury, the gap being a ticklish channel. Clearing the channel, she came to anchor under the lee of Valdes Island and lay there until the morning. Part of a deckload of lumber she was carrying was cut up into fuel, and with the vessel is now bunkering at the colliery docks.

Thomas Munis Killed

Owing to the great shortage of coal, work was carried on on Sunday for the first time at Extension mines yesterday. The accident, which was marked by a most terrible accident, by which Thomas Munis lost his life. Yesterday, while he was working, a fall from a most precarious position, down a steep and crushing on his life. The late Mr. Munis was very well known in the district, having resided here for 19 years.

Wrestling Match

After much preliminary sparring, Ralph Johnston of Nanaimo and Jim Forester of Victoria, wrestled in this city on January 26. A long-distance telephone message was sent from Vancouver to Tacoma today saying that he is quite confident of throwing Johnston. The latter is equally prepared to hold his own, and a fierce struggle is looked for.

A Sailor's Death

A sailor named William Fortman was drowned on the U. S. S. Thetis at Victoria, B. C., yesterday. It appears that Fortman, accompanied by three companions, left Union Bay for three miles from the shore, and were caught by a heavy fog. The night was one of the stormiest ever experienced on the coast. It is said that the vessel was blown to sea by the arrival on the steamer City of Nanaimo today, of nearly 30 miles an hour, accompanied by blinding snow. It is alleged that Fortman fell overboard unperceived, the party being busy with the herring. The body was picked up on the shore of Denman Island yesterday by a Japanese living "truly to a Dog."

A case that should come under the observance of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is reported from Cumberland today. Miners while on their way to work discovered lying in the road a sack with something moving inside. Trying the cord with which the mouth of the bag was fastened, a poor starving dog was liberated. So this had become from its confinement that its bones were defined through the skin. The animal had evidently been held the bag and left to die a lingering, miserable death.

Found Dead

John Connell, a pioneer of Oyster River, was found dead on the banks of a creek in his farm at Valdes Island yesterday. From what can be learned by the coroner's inquest, it appears that he was attempting to ford it, and died from exhaustion and exposure after getting himself out of the water. He was an old-timer in Comox Valley.

Plenty of Herring

A school consisting of hundreds of whales today had the effect of driving the herring ashore, and they are now fairly tumbling over each other in the harbor. At present the harbor is congested with fish, and the fishermen are making large hauls.

A CHARLOTTE BRONTE POEM

Boston, Jan. 14.—The Times publishes a poem in today's issue, which was received from a correspondent at Haworth, to whom it was written by Charlotte Bronte. "Our correspondent," says the Times, "thinks the poem has never been printed, as far as he was able to ascertain, it doesn't appear in any of the collected editions of poems by the Brontes."

An epileptic dropped in a fit on the streets of Boston not long ago, and was taken to a hospital. Upon removing his coat there was found pinned to his waistcoat a slip of paper on which was written "This is to inform the house surgeon that the patient has been cured of epilepsy. My appendix has already been removed twice."—Ladies Home Journal.

NO INCOME TAX

New York, Jan. 14.—The special tax commission, which has been sitting here for several days, decided today not to recommend the adoption of an income tax by the present legislature. The commission will report to the governor and legislature tomorrow.

LAW

Active Part

It has been stated that the British Columbia Bill, introduced by the present government, has been passed by the Legislature. The bill is a measure to improve the value of the land, and to provide for the better management of the land. It is a measure which will be of great benefit to the province, and it is hoped that it will be passed by the Legislature.

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