

CANADIAN NEWS.

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Relieving the Sufferers by the Fire in Quebec.

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AMERICAN NEWS.

On the Track of Dr. Cronin's Murderers.

English Syndicate Buying Up American Mills and Breweries.

A Sealing Captain who Will Resist Seizure in Behring's Sea—Central American News.

Burned to Death.

NORFOLK, May 23.—A Virginia special from Virginia Beach says: The house of Rev. R. C. Clarke, five miles from this place, was burned at 10 o'clock this morning.

London Turf Scandal.

LONDON, May 23.—Lord Durham and Sir George Chetwynd, who were involved in certain turf scandals last year in account of the latter brought a libel suit against the other.

The Valkyrie Fracturing.

LONDON, May 23.—The Valkyrie faced to-day against the Irex and Yarra. The course was intended to be from Gravesend to and around the North Foreland light.

Honorably Acquitted.

MONTRÉAL, May 23.—Jacob C. Schram, who was arrested some time ago charged with forging a promissory note, has been honorably discharged.

Killed on the Track.

MONTRÉAL, May 23.—Joseph Fourier, aged 22, was killed on the C. P. R. train this morning while working on the line.

Believing the Fire Accidents.

QUEBEC, May 23.—The corporation has contributed a donation of 500 loaves of bread and a quantity of meat daily to the unfortunate poor of St. Saviour.

King Humbert in Berlin.

BREMEN, May 23.—The Emperor and King Humbert revisited the Exhilaration to-day, and afterwards partook of luncheon in state.

Another Strike.

PRAGUE, May 23.—The tramway service in this city is at a standstill on account of a strike of the drivers.

Strikes in Austria.

VIENNA, May 23.—Eleven hundred miners are on strike in Kladno district, and the movement is extending.

VICTORIA'S CARNIVAL.

Her Majesty's Birthday Right Royally Celebrated.

By Citizens and Visitors in the Queen City of the Pacific Province.

The Two-Day Festivities a Grand and Brilliant Success in Every Respect.

The International Baseball Match—The Cricket Match—The Regatta—The Boat Race—The Fireworks.

The Victoria carnival has come and gone. The grand celebration so long looked forward to, will all admit, has passed as complete a success as could be desired.

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CABLE NEWS.

A Fight With Royalty.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

Revision of the Voters' List To Be Commenced.

Proposed Establishment of a Dominion Health Board.

Inspector Movat Asked to Report on the Advantages of Issuing Extra Fishing Licenses.

From our own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The Queen's Birthday was kept as a general holiday at the capital.

The secretary of state has issued a circular of instructions to the rising officers relative to the revision of the Dominion lists.

The Interior Dept. has received letters from states in the Western States petitioning to obtain recognition.

The postmaster-general has issued a departmental order to the postmasters, directing an interpretation of the changes in the postal regulations under the statute framed last session.

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THEMSELVES, NOT THEIR COUNTRY.

We have suggested that the American railway men in denouncing the Canadian Pacific had in view their own interests and not that of the American citizens, for those accommodation their lines built.

It is claimed as an "altruistic" thing that the government should assist in building railroads. It is the origin of the "traitorous foreign competition."

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13. Greasy pole. An amusing event, and one that caused the downfall of numerous aspirants to balancing fame.

14. Swimming race—Entries to be made on the beach. There were seven entries for the swimming race, consisting of the following: B. C. Patterson, D. C. Patterson, the Nye brothers, Shug (Indian), G. F. Askew and John Greenhalgh.

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EXHIBITION BY JOINTORS. E. W. Johnston, the champion all round swimmer, was yesterday afternoon at the exhibition.

6. ONE MILE RUNNING. Entries—B. C. Patterson, D. C. Patterson, the Nye brothers, Shug (Indian), G. F. Askew and John Greenhalgh.

7. QUARTER MILE RUNNING. Entries—B. C. Patterson, D. C. Patterson, the Nye brothers, Shug (Indian), G. F. Askew and John Greenhalgh.

8. THREE HUNDRED YARDS HURDLE. Entries—B. C. Patterson, D. C. Patterson, the Nye brothers, Shug (Indian), G. F. Askew and John Greenhalgh.

9. BOYS' RACE (under 10). There were twenty-eight entries. C. E. Patterson was easily the victor.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL. Street Encroachment. At the special meeting of the city council held on Monday night, a motion was introduced by Ald. McKillop, and carried, that all property owners whose lots are on the new proposed street lines, be given eight months notice to remove the same.

Chilliwack Camp Meeting. A number of persons, who had been at Chilliwack attending the camp meeting, returned to Victoria yesterday.

FOR BEHRING'S SEA. The British War Ships Preparing to Sail for the Closed Waters. Rumors which have been current for the past few weeks, but which appeared to have no credible origin, took definite form yesterday.

For the North. The steamer George W. Elder will call at the outer wharf this afternoon, on her way to Alaska.

City Police Court. In this court yesterday, Hon. A. N. Richards, P. M., presiding, Louis Peterson was charged with assaulting one Cecilia Davis.

For Behring's Sea. The United States steamship Thetis left Tacoma for Alaska yesterday.

Freight for Alaska. The Geo. W. Elder, which leaves for Alaska tomorrow, is being loaded with freight.

Little Locals. Strawberries are being sold at 40c per gallon in Seattle.

Marine. Steamer Queen of the Pacific will call today to-day bound for San Francisco.

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On Pleasure Bent. The Senatorial Committee came to Victoria for Pure Enjoyment Only.

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THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE.

Mr. Higgins has favored us with another letter on the land exchange question. We cannot see that he has thrown any new light on the subject. He continues to place his whole dependence on the Dominion Government. He has unbounded faith in the Minister of the Interior. Mr. Dewdney, in an off-hand speech, which contains internal evidence that he had not reflected much on the subject, and that his information was exceedingly limited, said that the difference between the laws of British Columbia and the mining regulations of the Dominion is a matter which could be very easily rectified if thought necessary. And on this very indefinite and altogether non-committal statement Mr. Higgins builds whatever argument his letter contains. The Minister of the Interior does not say that an assimilation of the laws of the province with the mining regulations of the Dominion is necessary, nor does he promise that they will be assimilated, or to his own expression, "rectified."

It is well known that the Dominion has not shown itself very accommodating hitherto. This same claim to the precious metals is now only recognized by its compulsion, after long delay and tedious expense. The decision of the Privy Council, instead of simplifying the administration of the railway, has complicated the administration of Mr. Dewdney, makes it more complicated. His words are, "The unfortunate claim of the local government has certainly placed the matter in a more unsatisfactory state than it was previously." This is certainly not encouraging to those who are waiting for some settlement by which the railway belt can be administered so as to ensure the security of those who invest their capital in mining ventures. There has been a very long delay already, owing to the unwillingness of the Dominion Government to admit the claims of the province, and who to say, if the belt be allowed to remain under two jurisdictions, how much longer the delay of the mineral wealth it contains will be.

Mr. Higgins says that we are "disinclined" in maintaining that he builds his whole argument on the fact that the Dominion Government has certainly placed the matter in a more unsatisfactory state than it was previously. We stated what was the plain and simple truth.

Our correspondent has applied the term "callings" to the unoccupied land of the railway belt. It is, of course, ingenious. By far the greater part of that immense tract is still unoccupied. No living man has any idea of the wealth that it contains. It may, for aught Mr. Higgins or any one else knows to the contrary, be the richest part of the province. It is in order that its capabilities may be soon discovered and that the wealth that it contains may be made available, that we are desirous to see it under one jurisdiction, and to be administered, as it should be, in the hands of those who know most about the province and who have the greatest interest in seeing all its resources speedily developed. If its experience of the past few years is any guide, if the land continues under the two jurisdictions, very little more will be known about its resources fifty years hence than is known to-day.

There is not the least practical experience in administering it, and the most difficult and complications that are continually arising; and these can be removed immediately and forever by placing the land under the jurisdiction of the Provincial Government. Before our correspondent can again apply the word "callings" to the land of the railway belt not yet taken up ingeniously, he must show that it has been examined by persons competent to judge of its value, and to reject it as worthless, or to place a little value on it. This he cannot do, and he will excise us when we say that it is hardly patrician in him to deprecate a considerable portion of the land of the province in which he lives. A stranger after reading his letter would be led to conclude that the unoccupied lands of the railway belt are not worth even an examination for any purpose whatever. This is not the conclusion to be drawn from a perusal of Mr. Higgins' speech. He does not suggest that those lands have been rejected and that they contain nothing worth searching for by the miner or the capitalist. On the contrary, he led his hearers to believe that there are in that belt minerals and metals other than gold and silver which are waiting to be developed.

Our correspondent's policy is to disparage the land in the railway belt and to magnify the value of the land for which it is proposed to be exchanged. He has just as little ground for the high estimate which he puts on the land in the extreme north-east of the province as he has for the very low estimate which he places on the interest which the Dominion has in the railway belt. He produces no evidence of the goodness of the one, or of the badness of the other. We may remark here that the Dominion Government evidently has not the same opinion of the worthlessness of the belt, or of the valuelessness of the land in the north-east that Mr. Higgins holds. The Minister of the Interior heard Mr. Higgins' proposal to exchange lands very coldly. He did not allow a single expression to escape him that would lead his hearers to conclude that the Dominion Government would entertain the proposition for an exchange of lands. If the belt is as worthless as our correspondent represents, and the north-east tract so very valuable that he could be exceedingly stipid not to close with the local government's offer at once. And they would not doubt so if their estimate of the relative value of the two tracts is the same as that of our correspondent. We do not think that it is "disinclined" to say that it is quite probable that the Department of the Interior is as well informed as to the nature and capabilities of both tracts as is the most favored of outsiders.

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The Cannon Coal Mine. The new coal mine lately struck at Cannon is likely to turn out to be a very lucrative one. The mine is one mile from the track of the C. P. R. to which a short line will be constructed. The Bow River will be spanned by a fine bridge. The output of the mine has been about \$50,000.

The Refuge Home. The Provincial W. C. T. U. Refuge Home, on Cornorant street, was opened last week. The formal opening, however, will not be until Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Quite a number of persons having expressed a desire to visit the home, the opening ceremony will be present on Friday afternoon, from 2 to 5, to receive any who are interested in this work. They will also be glad to receive contributions of any kind.

The Drama at Esquimaux. An entertainment which afforded pleasure to all attending was given in the Blue Ribbon Hall last evening by the dramatic club of H.M.S. Esquimaux. An admission fee was charged, the proceeds being devoted towards wiping out the debt of the hall. The drama was an original play and always interesting. It was a play of the past, and every character sustained true to the life.

Young Men's Institute. At the annual meeting of the Young Men's Institute, No. 85, held on Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, George Madigan; first vice-president, George Madigan; second vice-president, George Madigan; secretary, W. H. Harris; treasurer, T. Roake; financial and corresponding secretary, Frank J. McDonald; marshal, T. McManis; executive committee, P. Farrell, C. DeCharmad, C. Magill, J. Leonard and T. Deary.

Appointments. It is understood that Mr. T. O. Townley, barrister, New Westminster, has been appointed as Registrar for the Government at New Westminster. The appointment in all probability will be gazetted in the next number of the Gazette. Mr. Townley has many friends here, as well as in the Royal City and throughout the province. He is a well known and popular man, and his appointment will be hailed with pleasure by his many friends.

PERSONAL. Capt. McCullum returned from Vancouver last evening. E. A. and Miss Wadhams, of Ladner's Landing, returned from Victoria last evening. Hy. Saunders returned from a visit to the mainland last evening. E. A. Hart and Mrs. Hart returned by the steamer Prince Louise last evening. S. H. Osogood, president of the Seattle Transient Company, is at the Hotel Esquimaux. Thomas S. Fletcher and family of five English tourists, are spending a few days in the city, guests at the Oriental Hotel. Mr. W. H. Harris, secretary of the north-pasengers on the Sardon.

The Tacoma Fire. The Tacoma fire last evening, it is noted the return of the Seattle and Tacoma bicyclists who had been attending the Queen's Birthday celebration in that city. The party while in Victoria were guests of the citizens, and they were entertained at the Hotel Esquimaux. The expenses of the bicyclists were paid while they were in Victoria, and besides they were tendered \$100 as an additional evidence of the appreciation of the Victoria people of that part of the entertainment afforded by them during the celebration. The bicyclists are warm in their demonstrations of the treatment they received, and say they never had a finer time in their lives.

Grand Jurors. George Templeton and Tom Moran, ex-members of the police force, were arrested in the city on a charge of vagrancy. The two men were discharged from the force about two weeks ago, and since that time they have been living on the streets, claiming they have hung round saloons and consorted with women of ill-repute. Templeton proving that he has been in the city for some time, the grand jury has ordered that he be committed to jail for a month. Moran, in his defence, produced a book showing deposits of over \$1,500. The book showed deposits of from \$100 to \$500 while he was in the force, and a considerable number of the deposits were made in the name of a policeman who was only about \$70, this showing created some surprise. He declined to state how or where he obtained the money, and was not obliged to incriminate himself.

Supreme Court. In the matter of the Land Registry Act, the court has decided in favor of the Registrar. The Registrar's Act is not in force in British Columbia. F. G. Walker for Brabant. The Registrar-General appeared in person.

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Mike Lynch vs. Troy N. York. Mike Lynch, of Boston, was defeated by George La Blanche, the "Marine" of Boston, before 1,600 members of the California Athletic Club, at San Francisco, on Tuesday evening, in their team rounds. The battle was in the first round.

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U. S. REVENUE CUTTERS. Taking on Guns and Ammunition at Mare Island for Behring's Sea. SAN FRANCISCO, May 27.—The revenue cutter Richard Rush, which apparently started for sea a day or two since en route to Behring's Sea, but in reality went to Mare Island, is now there receiving supplies of ammunition and three new guns. The revenue cutter Bear will also go there before leaving for Alaska to receive new guns, among which is a 10-inch gun. The cutter is now at Mare Island, and will be ready to start for Behring's Sea in a few days.

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THE CYNTHIA DISASTER. Gallant Behavior of Some of the Sailors—Story of the Disaster as Told by a Survivor. The following is from the Montreal Star, and gives full details of the collision between the Cynthia and the Polaris. A few feet of a broken mast, a ship's boat and the half of another floating in the water were the only remains of the Cynthia. The disaster occurred on the morning of the 27th inst., and was the result of a collision between the Cynthia and the Polaris.

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