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The Floods In Virginia

Telegraph Wires Are Down, Little Reliable News Has Been Received.

Railway Track, Bridges and Machinery Washed Away—Many Bodies Found.

Ranoke, W. Va., June 24.—When the passenger train from the west over the Norfolk and Western railway arrived this morning there were many people at the station who had waited anxiously all night for the belated news carrier from the devastated coal fields of West Virginia. Among those on this train who had been in the storm were a prominent business man of Ranoke, several railroad men, seven women and two children. They came direct to Ranoke from Vivian, and were compelled to walk seven miles to Emis, where they were called to get a train for this city.

These passengers feel confident that at more than 100 people have lost their lives. When the men waded from the train at Vivian the ladies were too much frightened to get into the water and were placed on a tender of an engine, where they were safe. Other portions of the railroad yards were washed out and a hundred box cars were wrecked. The houses in which the train master at Vivian lived was washed away. A young son of the section master rode on the driftwood for four miles and was then lodged in a tree, from which he was rescued. A colored section hand was drowned.

The rain ceased falling about 9 o'clock on Saturday morning. There has been a rain since, and the streams are gradually falling. A big furniture store and large clothing house were washed away at Vivian, as were also about a dozen small dwellings in the lower portion of the village.

Two dead bodies were seen by colored men at Eckman and three colored and two white corpses at Empire. Two bridges were washed away at Vivian and another at Northfork Junction, and three persons are reported to have been drowned near the latter place. All the bridges and trestle work have been washed away on the Commonwealth river branch of the Norfolk & Western system. All telegraph lines are down, and the tracks are badly washed out on this division.

The people who came from Vivian did not come through the town of Keystone, but around it. They state, however, that the damage done there is nothing less than great as reported. They state that not more than a dozen houses were washed away. They cannot say how many lives were lost at Keystone.

At the ten miles of railway between Vivian and Emis, it is stated there is not 100 yards of track in one place, and it is thought that this division will not be repaired for a fortnight. The damage done at the mines which fields is immense, but every one seems to have been too greatly excited and too anxious to get away to inquire into the affairs of their neighbors. It is certain, however, that much valuable machinery has been washed away. Many of the wrecked cars along the Elkhorn valley have been washed down the river and probably will be lost to the province over the whole river.

East of Emis the train had little trouble getting through to Bluefields. Two bridges are gone between Vivian and Welch. At Shawnee, the Shawnee Coal Company lost all their live stock which were in the stable when the storm swept down on them.

A report from Keystone says that a number of negroes there refused to work for \$2 a day, but are loafing around and watching their chances to steal from the debris. Another report says the number of the damaged train was 17, and that of this number ten have been buried.

Conflicting Reports. Richmond, W. Va., June 24.—Conflicting reports received here place the loss of life in the flat top region by the flood that struck on Saturday. It is pretty certain, however, that the loss of life is probably about 100, but the exact number is not yet estimated.

There has been a tremendous flood at Chesapeake, W. Va. Several children were drowned near Tappan Hill. Coal Tippled Damaged. Montgomery, W. V., June 24.—It is estimated that the storm and washouts of Sunday did \$75,000 damage to property in this vicinity. The greatest damage was to the coal tipples, which were partially demolished, but no lives are known to have been lost.

RUSSIAN'S OPINION.

Interesting Paper on the Lessons of the Transvaal War. London, June 24.—An interesting paper, written by Jean de Bloch, the Russian councillor of state and member of the Russian ministry of finance, on the lessons of the Transvaal war, was read at the United Service Institute to-day. M. de Bloch declared that the South African war had proved that military service, as practised locally, was absurd, and that the sacrifice made on the continent to support conscription was unnecessary. The war showed that the theatrical spectacles called manoeuvres were in no way related to real warfare.

One of the most remarkable features was the constant impossibility of determining the enemy's position. This was not attributable to British defective reconnaissance, but to the new conditions of war. It was not the mistakes made by the British, who had shown an entire lack of rational strategy and tactics, which produced the results seen, but smokeless powder and long range quick-firing rifles which involved dispersion and invisibility to a degree unheard of formerly, and to the possibility of providing riflemen with a larger number of cartridges.

The Ladner Tragedy

The Inquest on the Remains of Three Chinamen Has Been Adjourned.

Meeting of Pacific Coast Lumbermen is to Be Held on Thursday.

Vancouver, June 25.—The inquest on the remains of three Chinamen who were killed at Ladner was adjourned until Thursday. The fourth man cannot be recovered. Otherwise there are no new developments in the case.

A meeting of the lumbermen of the Pacific Coast, between here and California, is to be held on Thursday in Vancouver. Changes in the basis of the present trade methods are to be discussed.

Forty Japs arrived to-day from Seattle and were admitted by the immigration inspector as they had proper papers of naturalization. Their names were taken, however, and they are to be refused licenses as being non-residents when they apply before the fisheries commissioner. Up to to-day fifteen hundred licenses had been issued, nine hundred to Japs.

To-day's train has been cancelled on account of the washout of two culverts near Calgary. A deal is on for the sale of Britannia ore to the Great Smelter Company on a price per ton treated.

Chief Justice McColl this afternoon gave judgment for defendants in the provincial government against the United Gunners. The chief justice found that there was no liability on the part of cameramen to pay the poll tax of Japanese fishermen working for them. Over \$1,500 is involved in the present case, and \$30,000 will be lost to the province over the whole river.

MARQUIS ON TRIAL. Charged With Complicity in the Crimes of High Treason. Paris, June 24.—The senate assembled this afternoon in its capacity as a high court of justice to try the Marquis de Saluces, the well known Royalist, and a former member of the Chamber of Deputies, who returned unexpectedly to Paris about the middle of May after having been condemned in January, 1900, in default of appearance to ten years' banishment from France, for treason. The president of the senate presided.

The Marquis, escorted by two guards, appeared at the bar of the House to answer the charge of complicity in the crimes of high treason and attempts against the safety of state for which MM. Zerroule, Muffet, Marcel, Hubert and Guerin were condemned. There was no excitement in the vicinity of the palace where the senate holds its sitting, as was the case in the earlier trial of the Marquis and others mentioned.

WILL FILL THEIR PLACES. Central Railroad of New Jersey Will Engage New Men to-morrow. Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 24.—The Central railroad of New Jersey to-day issued an ultimatum to the 900 strikers at the Ashley shops of the company, stating that all the men who do not return to work to-morrow morning will consider themselves discharged and their places will be filled with other men. The strikers say there will be trouble if non-union men come here.

Boers in The South

Scouts of British and Burghers Exchange Shots Near Barkley East.

Local Defences Have Been Mobilized to Meet Gen. Fouché's Commandoes.

Barkley East, Cape Colony, June 24.—Gen. Fouché's two Boer commandoes have advanced beyond Glen Almond. The Boer and British scouts have exchanged shots six miles hence. All the local defense forces have been mobilized. Severe Fighting. Capetown, June 25.—Details of the engagements between Gen. Elliot's column and Dewet's force near Reits on June 6th show that the British surprised the Boers' convoy. The burghers fled, but seeing that the captors were not in strong force, returned and charged with great determination, and after desperate fighting recaptured the convoy.

Meanwhile Col. De Lisle arrived with reinforcements and the fighting was renewed. The Boers lay beneath their wagons and unflinchingly fired volleys between the wheels while their comrades were engaged in inspanning and driving off that portion of the convoy furthest from the British. The latter pushed in among the wagons, using the bayonet freely. Gen. Delaroy was present and personally used a rifle. His right hand neighbor was killed and the comrade on his left was wounded.

The affair ended in a series of hand to hand encounters and fierce melees, the Boers eventually being driven off. One of General Dewet's staff officers was wounded and taken prisoner. Questions in the Commons. London, June 25.—The South African war was the subject of innumerable questions in the House of Commons to-day. Little information was elicited except that it continued to cost £1,250,000 weekly, that the authorities estimated that the invaders of Cape Colony numbered from 1,000 to 2,000 men, and that there had been 1,484 cases of typhoid fever among the troops during the month of April, of which 187 had proved fatal.

Jacobus Botha Whipped. Capetown, June 25.—Jacobus Botha, the member of the Cape assembly for Alval North, has been captured by the Boers and publicly spanked. In addition his house was burned. The reason assigned for this treatment is that Botha voted in favor of the treason bill.

SALE OF ROYAL WINES. New York, June 25.—The sale of royal wines at Christie's attracted a large throng of dealers, says the Tribune's London correspondent. The aggregate sales for 1,169 dozen brought about \$3,784, pointing to about \$20,000 for the entire surplus stock. It was understood that a considerable quantity of the wine was purchased for the American market. The wines were pale and golden sheries from St. James, 1880 and 1890.

DE WITTE'S REPLY. Says Secretary Gage is Not Acquainted With the Sugar Controversy. New York, June 24.—According to a Herald dispatch from St. Petersburg the reply of M. de Witte, the Russian minister of finance, to Secretary Gage in the Russian sugar controversy, is that being a cabinet minister Mr. Gage must be treated with respect, therefore M. de Witte cannot imagine that he is vitally misreading the people of the United States as to the true condition of affairs. The only other conclusion that De Witte can arrive at after reading what Mr. Gage says is that he is misinformed and entirely unacquainted with the details of the subject upon which he gives his opinion and which is not in keeping with the facts.

DISPERSED BY GENDARMES. Madrid, June 24.—A meeting of free thinkers was held yesterday for the purpose of protesting against the holding of the jubilee procession. Violent anti-clerical speeches were made and those present were dispersed by the gendarmes. The streets shouting "Burn the convents." The crowd hissed the Infanta Isabella, whose carriage was forced to change its route. The processionists were eventually dispersed with gentleness.

DIED FROM WOUNDS. London, June 24.—Lieut. G. Green-shields, of the Shropshire Yeomanry, is dead from wounds received in the war in South Africa. He was one of the Oxford Cambridge team which defeated the Harvard-Yale team in international athletic in July, 1899.

FATAL YACHTING ACCIDENT. South Norfolk, Conn., June 23.—Thos. Smeone of New York the colonel of the H. Ward, American, are competitors. In the second round of the singles to-day S. H. Smith defeated W. V. Eaves.

Tragedy at Seattle

William L. Meredith, Ex-Chief of Police, Killed in a Drug Store.

Shot Through the Heart By John W. Considine—Long Standing Personal Feud.

Seattle, June 25.—As an outcome of one of the bitterest fights ever known in Seattle police history and long-standing personal feud, John W. Considine shot and instantly killed William L. Meredith, ex-chief of police of Seattle, this afternoon at 5 o'clock, in Guy's drug store. For years Considine and Meredith have hated each other, although they were formerly great friends. Considine said Meredith was using his official position to ruin Considine's business, that of a variety theatre, and filed charges with the mayor, accusing Meredith of being a bribe-taker. The council appointed a committee to investigate. The committee finished its labor a few days ago. Before the report was submitted to the council the mayor called for Meredith's resignation, which was handed in.

To-day's tragedy was not unlooked for, as both men were armed, and were looking for each other. Although stories conflict somewhat, the weight of evidence is to the effect that Meredith opened fire without notice with a cut-off double-barrelled shotgun, loaded with buck-shot. Considine was wounded on the head, but not seriously. Meredith was hit in three places. One ball pierced his heart, one entered his neck and the third passed through his body. The drug store at the time of the shooting was crowded with people, and one bystander was shot through the arm by a stray bullet. Meredith was killed while struggling with John Considine and Tom Considine, who had come to his brother's aid.

Considine was at once arrested by Sheriff Cudabee, and two police officers who were in the drug store when the fatal shots were fired. He was taken to the police headquarters, and from there transferred to the county jail in a close carriage. Considine and Meredith had been mortal enemies for about three years, although they were prior to that time firm personal friends and associated together in the theatrical business in Spokane.

Meredith, who resigned his office last Saturday on account of pressure brought to bear upon him by Mayor Humes, was a city detective before being made chief. While in the subordinate position he and Considine never spoke, but avoided open battle. After Meredith was made chief, however, he served notice on Considine that the latter could not remain in the city and do business, and followed up the threat by making several police orders which affected Considine's business. It is known that Considine publicly made charges of corruption in office against Meredith, and reiterated them until the "Law and Order League" took the matter up and called for a council investigation of the police department. A council committee investigated, and last Friday night made a report to Mayor Humes advising the removal of Meredith and Sanjun have already been destroyed by incendiaries.

Destroyed by Incendiaries. Gijon, Spain, June 26.—A placard has been posted in several of the churches here announcing that all the churches of the diocese will be burned. The churches of the villages of Norecha and Sanjun have already been destroyed by incendiaries.

PITT ACQUITTED. Was Charged With Improperly Purchasing Government Stores. Manila, June 26.—H. M. Pitt, manager Evans & Co. government contractors, who has been on trial on charges of improperly purchasing government stores, was acquitted to-day. Four other purchasers of commissary stores were found guilty and fined \$1,000 each.

ALL-ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIP. London, June 25.—The all-English lawn tennis championships began at Wimbledon yesterday. The greatest interest is manifested in the doubles, in which Davis and H. Ward, Americans, are competitors. In the second round of the singles to-day S. H. Smith defeated W. V. Eaves.

PLAGUE ON STEAMER.

Several Deaths on Board the Carlisle City.

Washington, June 24.—Surgeon-General Wyman of the marine hospital to-day was informed by Dr. Mackay, quarantine officer at San Diego, Cal., of the arrival at that port of a plague-stricken ship. The vessel is the British steamer Carlisle City, which sailed from Hongkong on May 16th, and coming via Yokohama and Honolulu reached San Diego late last Saturday.

Dr. Mackay reports that there were six deaths en route, five of which were certainly caused by plague, and the sixth is supposed to have been. All deaths but one were among the crew, the exception being a Chinese steamer passenger, Dr. Mackay reports that all the others on board are in good health. Nevertheless the vessel is being thoroughly disinfected and kept well away from the wharf, so as to prevent the escape of rats as well as of persons. Dr. Mackay says that dead rats were found on the ship before the sickness made its appearance. The crew of the Carlisle City consisted of eight Europeans and 44 Chinese. The vessel carried one European cabin passenger and 12 Chinese steamer passengers.

Regulations Disregarded. Acts Passed at the Last Session of the Legislature Reach Ottawa. They Were Not Received by the Dominion Government Until Monday.

Ottawa, June 26.—The acts of the British Columbia legislature, assented to by the Lieut.-Governor at the last meeting of the local house, arrived here on Monday, in accordance with regulations which called for them being sent by the Lieut.-Governor ten days after the legislature prorogued. As soon as they were received they were forwarded to the Department of Justice.

The acting Deputy Minister of Justice says this is the first he has seen of them. It is not a question whether the Attorney-General of the province sent these statutes to Tom, Dick or Harry, but so far as the government of Canada is concerned the first seen of these statutes was on Monday.

So far as the regulations, which are imperative, are concerned, they have not been complied with until a month has elapsed and attention has been directed to the negligence. These are the facts of the case, and British Columbia is the only province which has disregarded its duty in this matter.

HAVOO WROUGHT BY STORM. Hundred of Persons Reported Missing in Virginia. Richmond, Va., June 25.—A correspondent who returned to Bluefields from the scene of disaster at 2 o'clock this morning describes the havoc as most appalling. He says that hundreds of people are missing or reported missing, but discredits the idea that the loss of life is anything like that at first rumored.

At Montgomery. Montgomery, W. V., June 25.—For 48 hours there has been no communication with the outside world. Telephone and telegraph wires are down and no mail trains or express had passed for 36 hours until last night.

DASHED TO PIECES. Painter's Fall From a Scaffold on Bridge Across Niagara River. Niagara Falls, Ont., June 25.—Edward Clark, a bridge painter, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., while adjusting a rope that held the scaffold on the steel arch bridge over the falls, fell from a height of three other painters were working yesterday afternoon, allowed the rope to slip out of his hands, hurling him below, a distance of 100 feet. He was dashed to pieces. The body disappeared. A man named Flanagan, one of the other three, went down with Clark, but was caught in the rope which kept him suspended head downwards until rescued. He had an ankle and leg broken. The other two escaped.

EARL RUSSELL'S TRIAL. Will Take Place in the House of Lords. London, June 23.—In the Old Bailey court this morning the grand jury returned a true bill against Earl Russell for bigamy. The recorder announced that the trial would take place in the House of Lords. The action of the court yesterday in making absolute the decree nisi obtained in December, 1900, by George John Somerville in his divorce suit against his wife, in which Earl Russell was made co-respondent, was a purely legal formality.

Fought For The Boats

Steamer Lusitania Ran Ashore on Coast of Newfoundland During Fog.

St. Johns, Nfld., June 26.—Steamer Lusitania, with 500 passengers on board, was wrecked last night off Cape Ballard. The steamer belongs to the Orient Steam Navigation company, and was in charge of Captain McNay. Cape Ballard is situated on the coast of Newfoundland, about 60 miles south of St. Johns. The Lusitania was built at Liverpool by Laird Bros. in 1871, and is 380 feet long.

The Lusitania was bound round Cape Race from Liverpool for Montreal with a large cargo and a shipload of passengers. She mistook her course in a dense fog and went ashore near Renewes, 20 miles north of Cape Race, before day-break. The ship ran over a reef and hangs against a cliff. The passengers, mostly immigrants, were panic-stricken. They stampeded and fought for the boats, but were overcome by the officers and crew, who secured control after a prolonged struggle with the rougher element among the passengers who used knives.

The women and children were landed first, and the men followed. The crew stood by the ship. A heavy sea was running when these advices were received, and while the Lusitania was holding its own it was thought she would prove a total wreck. The disaster occurred miles from the nearest telegraph station and the details obtainable at this time are meagre.

A report of the Associated Press has started for sea here. Several steamers are fitting out here and will leave shortly for the scene of the wreck. It is expected that the large cargo of the Lusitania will be salvaged.

As this dispatch is being sent a report has reached here that a boat load of people from the Lusitania was upset and that twenty persons were drowned. The correspondent of the Associated Press here is unable to guarantee the accuracy of this report at present.

Terrible Experiences. St. Johns, Nfld., June 26.—The passengers of the Lusitania had a terrible experience. Their first knowledge which they had of the disaster was when, owing to the ship rapping over the rocks, they were all hurled from their beds by the shock. Many of them were bruised and all hurried on deck in their nightclothes. A scene of great excitement ensued.

Five hundred people were clamoring to escape while the crew tried to pacify them and to launch the boats. The male passengers, in their attempt to seize the boats, trampled the women under foot, and, as already cabled, fought the crew with knives. Some of the more clear-headed of the passengers desisted the crew in their efforts to get out the boats.

One boat, it now appears, was upset and its occupants were flung. It is still supposed that some of these were drowned, but the point has not yet been definitely established. It is certain, however, that one boat, having on board twenty people, has not yet been reported. She is supposed to be adrift in the fog, and this may have given rise to the report which reached here that twenty persons were drowned by the upsetting of a boat.

The women and children rescued were almost naked. Drenched with spray, they were pulled up the cliffs by the coast people. Some of the boats were demolished in the surf while attempting to land, and their half-drowned occupants held on to rocks, shivering with cold, until rescued.

This morning the unhappy passengers, after shivering for hours on the hill top, tramped over weary miles in their endeavor to reach the houses of fishermen which they eventually succeeded in doing, and where they are now sheltered. Previous to reaching the cliffs the passengers passed two hours of terrible anxiety on the wreck. Continued fears are expressed that the Lusitania may prove a total loss, as a furious rain storm and heavy sea raged all night. The last reports received here said the steamer was breaking up, that her fore-holds were full of water and that her cargo was being salvaged. There is a hope of saving the effects of the passengers, as where possible they were stowed above decks. Six steamers are now on their way from here to the scene of the wreck. It is expected that the rescued passengers will be brought here to-night.

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Boers Not Wanted

German Authorities Arrested Burglars Who Crossed into Damaraland.

Kruger at Rotterdam—Horses for Africa to Be Shipped From Montreal.

Kenhardt, Cape Colony, June 26.—The German authorities of Damaraland have arrested a number of male Boers who emigrated thither after the recent fight at Narobias.

Rotterdam, June 26.—Mr. Kruger was welcomed at the railroad station on his arrival here to-day by the burgomaster, deputations from numerous societies and many ladies.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 26.—The chamber of commerce has passed a resolution asking the governor of Jamaica, Sir Augustus Hemming, to request the Imperial authorities to send 3,000 Boer prisoners to the island.

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WEST BOUND TRAIN. Traffic Delayed by Washout on C. P. R. Track Near Calgary.

Calgary, June 26.—The first train west since Sunday left this afternoon. At Shaganappie Point, four miles distant, the slide is partially cleared.

At the latter point the "Limited" east-bound crossed, and reported all well. The run of thirty miles occupied three hours and a half.

AGAIN BANISHED. Trial of Marquis Lursalnes Concluded—Speech Leads to Duelling.

Paris, June 26.—The trial for treason of the Marquis Lursalnes was concluded to-day amid the general indifference of the spectators.

These remarks led Senator Provon de L'Aulnay to interrupt the speaker, calling him a "colon." M. Aucoin retorted with equally disagreeable remarks.

JUDGE IN PRISON. Too Solicitous for Welfare of Prisoners to Suit Provisional President of Venezuela.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, June 26.—The president of the Supreme court of Venezuela, Dr. Lopez Fontecha, his secretary, have been arrested and taken to prison for having attempted to put into operation the code of Venezuelan justice which imposes on judges the obligation of visiting the prisons and satisfying themselves that the prisoners are not subjected to arbitrary treatment by political personages.

AMEMBASSADOR HONORED. Large Number of Men Received Degrees at Harvard.

Cambridge, Mass., June 26.—Today's Harvard commencement was noteworthy for the conferring of honorary degrees on a large number of men who have ever presented themselves in the history of the college.

PREMISES WERE LOOTED. China Merchants' Company Completes Their Claim Against the United States Government.

Pekin, June 25.—The China Merchants' company, owners of the premises in Tientsin at first occupied by the marines and afterwards by Liscum's command as a barracks, has completed their claim against the United States government for valuables which they were carried off by the marines.

SERIOUS STRIKE RIOTS. Large Number of Persons Injured in Disturbance at Rochester, N. Y.

Rochester, N. Y., June 26.—The anticipated trouble with strikers came this morning. The marching men, numbering about 1,000, clashed with the police at Mill and Commercial streets at 9:30 o'clock, and many heads were broken.

SUN SPOTS. Toronto, June 25.—Two sun spots were discovered at the observatory this morning. The spots are over the west limb, and it is expected that they will remain for a few days.

MEDITERRANEAN FLEET. Report That Officers Have Addressed Remonstrance to Admiralty Regarding Squadron.

New York, June 25.—The state of affairs in the British Mediterranean fleet is causing much concern, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. It is well known that several naval officers have addressed strong remonstrances to the Admiralty in regard to the strength and organization of the squadron.

COMING TRADE WAR. Former Assistant Secretary of United States Treasury Gives His Views.

New York, June 25.—Frank A. Vandenberg, formerly assistant secretary of the treasury, who has just returned to Washington from a long trip abroad, is quoted by the Tribune's correspondent as saying that it is not only possible, but highly probable, that Europe can and will agree to a binding treaty of trade combination against the United States within the next few years.

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Receiver Appointed

The Seventh National Bank of New York Has Been Closed.

Director of the Leipziger Bank is in Custody—Other Arrests Probable.

Washington, June 27.—Comptroller Davies to-day ordered the closing of the Seventh National Bank of New York and appointing Frank Taylor, National Bank examiner, temporary receiver. Later the comptroller made the following statement:

Comptroller Davies stated that Tuesday he received word from the National Bank examining that Henry M. Grand & Company had recently been indebted in a sum approximating \$1,000,000 to the Seventh National Bank.

Arrest at Leipzig. Leipzig, June 27.—Herr Exner, director of the Leipziger Bank, which is under payment on Tuesday, June 26, has been arrested. The public prosecutor is investigating the affairs of the bank.

It turns out that the report of Leipziger Bank published yesterday put the bank in a false position. The public prosecutor is investigating the affairs of the bank.

The Berlin Telegraph to-day says that the assets of the Leipziger Bank are estimated at 25,000,000 marks to the Leipziger Troster Company after it is known that the latter was insolvent.

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VOTE ON THE BY-LAWS.

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ROYALTY AND BOREDOM.

Strife has arisen in one city in Canada over the projected visit of the Duke and Duchess of York. The Mayor and city clerk of Ottawa are reported to be at loggerheads as to who shall have the honor of reading the civic address to their Royal Highnesses.

THE EXHIBITION.

Victoria is rapidly becoming the centre of a large agricultural as well as of a considerable mining community. Farms are being cleared up in all the adjacent districts with a celerity which is surprising.

EMPIRE LEAGUES.

Discussion of schemes for the consolidation and defence of the British Empire must from the very nature of the matter be more or less academic. While the advocates of reform have not as yet succeeded in effecting anything tangible, it would be rash to say that no good thing has resulted.

A SEATTLE VENDETTA.

We have read of desperadoes camping upon the trails of enemies in the wilds of the West. The ex-chief of police of Seattle went on the warpath in the streets of the town in which until a few days ago he had been the principal instrument for the preservation of law and order.

for all people with even a limited knowledge of firearms are aware that it spoils any kind of a gun to mutilate it. It relieves it of all responsibility to shoot straight. But a man who cannot plunk another even with a sawed-off shotgun loaded with buckshot within the limited area of a drugstore has no business to let blood gather in his eye and go upon the warpath.

UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA.

One of the most singular of the many peculiarities of the press of the United States is its love of all things Russian. To the majority of the editors, as far as can be judged from their writings and the style of their headlines on articles, the very name of Great Britain is an abomination and her humiliation greatly to be desired.

Many and varied are the aspects in which domestic and social problems are presented to the courts of the United States for settlement. The most perplexing of all is the marriage and divorce question. In some of the States complete taking up of themselves the "holy bonds" virtually pass through a period of probation, and if the bliss does not reach the maximum of anticipation the divorce court is appealed to in order that a new experiment may be indulged in.

Recent events have proved that there are times when living under a despotism is a positive advantage to some people. If the men who should be voters in Russia had had a voice in the government, retaliation against the United States might have been slow and might indeed have been impossible.

Few residents of the coast have any conception of the effect upon humanity of the "heat waves" which visit the great cities of the East in the summer season. Chicago is just now passing through a broiling atmospheric zone and child life is suffering. As in many other cities, what is known as a "fresh air" fund has been established by the Daily News in the capital of the Prairies.

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The principal articles supplied during the year are as follows: Dressing gowns with fittings complete, 10 doz. sheets, 10 doz. pillow cases, 8 doz. night shirts, 2 doz. night gowns, 6 doz. towels, 12 doz. table napkins, 24 jackets, pneumonia bed, 1 doz. dressing, 12 pairs of blankets, 12 coverslets, 3 doz. tray and table covers, 8 doz. cups and saucers, 20 doz. bowls, 4 doz. tumblers, 12 doz. cream and sugar, 2 doz. feeding cups, 13 doz. plates, 4 doz. knives, 1 doz. electric light shades, 1 ambulatory invalid chair (lawyer's baseball team), 5 Dawson-Tait beds, Professor Wickens' numerous plants, and a fair share of old linen, which is always needed and most gratefully received.

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EYE-WITNESS'S STORY.

Tells of Scene in Keystones, When Flood Struck the Town.

Keystone, W. Va., June 25.—The following story is told by an eye-witness of the great flood: "Keystone is the metropolis of the Elkhorn mining country. It has a narrow street and because of limited space many houses were built on piles or walls over the Elkhorn or close up against the mountains. The town follows the meandering of the stream for a mile.

On Friday night at 11 o'clock the storm struck the mountains and for six hours rain fell in torrents. Houses, barns, bridge fills, live stock and human beings were swept away by the mighty current and dashed on the rocks or trees below.

"I was stopping at a hotel. At the first warning many inhabitants fled to the mountain side overlooking the town and river. More than a hundred people, however, remained in the town to look after the women and children who did not escape. In the morning a leading to the depot was soon swept away. Then the angry waters rushed through the only street in the town and many hundreds cut off from the mountain retreat and by means of a fast to the telephone poles by means of a line. Hundreds of lives were saved, but in an effort to cross the water, sweeping in an avalanche down stream, many lost their hold and in plain sight of their friends were carried into the river and drowned. Horses plunged and danced in the mighty stream, with screaming women and children on the roofs. How horses, cattle and other animals were drowned about us. The destruction is tremendous to the railroad agents and it may be many days and perhaps weeks before trains can run.

"The loss of life is estimated at 1000 here. It is known eight lives were lost here. Six bodies have been recovered at Eckman, two miles below here. Several were drowned at Shawnee and a great part of the town swept away. "All the women were conveyed from the hotel to the mountain side by means of the life line. Then the men left as the place was unsafe. When it came my turn I seized the line and plunged into the muddy current. In an instant my feet were swept from under me and it was the fight of my life to reach the house on the south side of the street. The district was not great and the water not more than three feet deep, but the current was almost irresistible, and even cows and horses were swept past me as I clung to the rope which was my only hope. Friendly hands pulled me out and the water was all over me. The hotel is still standing.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Hasell, president; Miss Waltham, 1st vice-president; Miss Angus, 2nd vice-president. It was then agreed that each girl, or two, jointly should undertake the individual care of a room or bed, and that all should join in helping in any special need. During the year this society has helped as far as in its power at the various festivals and entertainments given at the hospital, and bringing plants and flowers for the flower services and in decorations for the Christmas tree. One of our members, Miss Leber, collected an excellent collection of a number of beds for the women's ward, which this society has added \$22.50. This bed, landed in Victoria, will also cost about \$40, which we hope to procure before Christmas.

On February 22nd the Daughters of Pity were asked to meet the directors of the hospital and the Women's Auxiliary at the residence of the resident physician's house, and took this opportunity of presenting our president, Mrs. Hasell, with a case of spoons. The officers were also invited to meet the Countess of Minto and Lady Joly de Lotbiniere, and on each occasion presented them with bouquets on behalf of the society. Although this society's work is very small in comparison with other societies, we hope to accomplish more in the near future.

AMY ANGUS, Secretary-Treasurer. June 25th, 1901. Treasurer's Report. Accounts payable \$ 3.25 One dozen footstools 30.00 One dozen invalid tables 30.00 Fanelette 2.75 Washstand towels 5.00 Seeds 7.50 Frames for pictures 3.00 Stationery 11.00 Fish blinds 12.00 Special fund and bed 22.50 Total \$101.15 Credit. Monthly dues 36.30 Individual objects 70.85 Total \$101.15 Balance on hand 5.00 It was moved by H. D. Helmcken, and seconded by Bishop Perin, that the reports be adopted, which was carried. It ought to be made to the men to give their support to the hospital. He thought that the maternity and children's ward should be built and hoped that the ladies should see it done. Rev. Elliot S. Rowe then spoke on the children's ward. Rev. Mr. Allen gave an eloquent address on the maternity ward. He emphasized the necessity for such a ward, and stated that great efforts should be made to have one established in this city. He said that a scheme could be obtained, and suggested that subscriptions be taken up. H. D. Helmcken invited the ladies to attend the annual meeting of the directors of the Jubilee hospital, which is to be held on the 28th inst. at 3 p. m. Johnna Davies pointed out that large numbers of the merchants had subscribed to the hospital. Rev. Dr. Wilson closed the meeting with prayer. A meeting of the executive of the Women's Auxiliary will be held in the city hall on Friday afternoon at 2:30, when officers will be elected.

A SPRAINED ANKLE QUICKLY CURED. "At one time I suffered from a severe sprain of the ankle," says Geo. E. Cary, editor of the Guide, Washington, Va. "After using several well recommended medicines without success, I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and am pleased to say that the cure came as soon as I began its use and a complete cure speedily followed." Sold by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

The National Defense

Patriotic Speeches Delivered at the Meeting of the Local League.

Establishment of a Training School for Seamen Receives Unanimous Endorsement.

At the meeting of the Navy League last evening, it was manifested in marked degree that the Anglo-Saxon people are essentially naval in their habits. The meeting, which was the first ever held under the auspices of the newly organized "British Columbia Branch, No. 56, of the League," was a very enthusiastic one and one which gave promise of a successful future for the league. The subject of a training ship for the coast which has before been discussed came up for favorable consideration and was referred to by almost every speaker. The suggestion contained in the subject of a training ship for the coast which has before been discussed came up for favorable consideration and was referred to by almost every speaker. The suggestion contained in the subject of a training ship for the coast which has before been discussed came up for favorable consideration and was referred to by almost every speaker.

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EYE-WITNESS'S STORY.

Scene in Keystone, Wash. Flood Struck the Town.

Keystone, W. Va., June 25.—The following story is told by an eye-witness of the great flood:

"Keystone is the metropolis of the Kohn mining country. It has but one main street and because of limited space many houses were built on piles of logs over the Elkhorn or close against the mountains. The town was the meandering of the stream river.

"On Friday night at 11 o'clock the storm struck the mountains and for six hours rain fell in torrents. Houses, barns, bridge fills, live stock and human beings were swept away by the mighty current and dashed on the rocks or trees below.

"I was stopping at a hotel. At the first alarm many inhabitants took refuge in the mountain side overlooking the town and river. More than a hundred people, however, remained in the town to look after the women and children who did not escape early. The bridges leading to the depot was soon swept away. Then the angry waters rushed through the only streets in the town and found hundreds cut off from the mountain retreat and the hotel was made to the telephone poles by means of lines. Hundreds of lives were saved in an effort to cross the waters weeping in an avalanche down stream. Many lost their hold and in plain sight of their friends were carried into the river and drowned. Horses plunged in the mighty stream, with screaming women and children on their backs. Horses, cattle and other animals were drowned about us. The destruction is tremendous to the railroad along which it may be many days and perhaps weeks before trains can run.

"The loss of life cannot be estimated from here. It is known eight lives were lost here. Six bodies have been recovered. At Eckman, two miles below here, several were drowned at Shawnee and a good part of the town swept away.

"All the women were conveyed from the hotel to the mountain side by means of the life line. Then the men left as the place was unsafe. When it came my turn I seized the line and plunged into the muddy current. In an instant my feet were swept from under me and I was the fight of my life to reach the shore on the south side of the street. The distance was not great and the water not more than three feet deep, but the current was almost irresistible and even cows and horses were swept over me as I cling to the rope which held me. Friendly hands helped me and pulled me out more dead than alive. The hotel is still standing."

TRUIMPHANT AH LEE.

Escapes From the Clutches of the Law—Cyclist's Trip Experience.

Ah Lee emerged from the clutches of the law this morning with a smile of triumph on his Oriental visage. This was perfectly normal in view of his narrow escape. He is the Chinaman who was charged with the theft of some rubbers from Sam, Reid's premises six or seven months ago. When it was ascertained that the constable who nabbed him on that occasion, but the same officer caught Ah Lee in the other day, being positive as to his identity.

"The accused professed the profound ignorance of the entire business. The proceedings were apparently Greek, the Chinook Sanscrit combined as far as his comprehension went. The constable who made the arrest positively identified him as the man whom he gathered in previously, and who escaped, minus a garment. Mr. Aaronsen also identified him as the man who had been in the habit of coming to his pawnbroking establishment at various times. Ah Lee's witness, however, avors that the accused was engaged at his carpentry at the time the theft was committed. In dismissing the case, the magistrate contended that the identity of the accused and the man who had been arrested previously had not been conclusively shown. Neither did he think it possible that the constable could positively identify after three months a man who had only met but once previously. There was also a discrepancy in Mr. Aaronsen's evidence in regard to the period during which the accused was stated to be in the habit of visiting his store. Taking these points into consideration, the case was dismissed.

A drunk was fined \$2.50 or five days for the first offence. A helpless cyclist paid the penalty for his neglect. It is understood he will purchase a lamp. Another, but more indiscreet, cyclist was fined \$8 against days for riding on the sidewalk and pay his fine to the jolt-laz discomfort of riding up Yates street hill.

RETURNED FROM CALIFORNIA.

Daniel Mills, a pioneer of British Columbia, who helped to build some of the earliest buildings in Victoria, and participated in the Cariboo rush for gold with the hardy miners from California, is in the city.

Mr. Mills has explored the remotest part of the province, prospecting, and has tried his luck in the cammy business and in almost all the industries familiar to our province.

Only recently has he settled down to enjoy the fruits of his labor. He has returned from a pleasure trip to California, and is staying at the Dominion hotel.

Those who have been residents in this city for some time will remember the building of the Hase Rocks lighthouse. It was Daniel Mills who had charge of this work, and there is no doubt that the evidence of his labor will stand as a beacon to light ships into the harbor for many a day.

Mr. Mills has also the work of building the Bank of British North America. He states that at that time he was considered a wonderful structure by the then citizens of Victoria. It was the only stone building in the city, and on that account was naturally thought to be a magnificent structure. The Bank of British North America, says Mr. Mills, was the first established institution in the city.

Speaking of his trip to California, Mr. Mills describes that country in the usual rosette manner. He went down by boat and after spending a few days in the business metropolis of California went on south, stopping at most of the beautiful summer resorts. After Santa Cruz, and other places, he went inland, taking a trip through the interior. Though the weather was rather hot, he found the beautiful scenery more than compensated for any slight discomfort that source.

The National Defence

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The subject of a training ship for the Pacific coast which has before been discussed, and came up for favorable consideration, and was referred to by almost every speaker. The suggestion contained in the letter of regret at not being able to attend the meeting, which was made by Admiral Bofor, commander of the Pacific squadron, that the men of the sailing fleet might with advantage be incorporated as a means of defence and prove a valuable adjunct of the naval forces stationed on the coast, was the subject of general approval.

The death of Mrs. Drake prevented many who would otherwise have been present from attending. In the absence of the president of the society the Hon. Sir Henry P. P. Crease, K. B., Joseph Polson presided.

In opening he said they met under such conditions. They were met at a meeting of an organization with benevolent members. Members of several families who would have been present were prevented from doing so through affliction. The president, Sir Henry Crease, was one of them.

In filling the office to-night he would endeavor to recall some of the fire of his younger days when he engaged in similar work in another part of the Empire.

He read a letter from Sir Henry Crease in which the writer regretted being absent, and made feeling reference to the circumstances which prevented his attendance. He referred to the effect which the death of Mrs. Drake had had upon Sir Henry Crease. It came as a severe blow to him, the death of a companion of former days.

The president, before asking the secretary to read various letters of regret from parties unable to attend, said that he had been asked to express regret also for Major Mutter, Clive Phillips-Wolley, Lettice, and other members of the Society. He read a letter from Sir Henry Crease, K. B., Joseph Polson, Hon. B. W. Pearce, Capt. Devereux, Lt.-Col. Gregory, A. J. C. Galletly, and Capt. Charles C. Clarke.

The most important suggestion was as follows: "Waspette, Esquimalt, June 8, 1901. Dear Sir Henry Crease:—With reference to our meeting this morning, though I am unable to attend, I am most anxious to do so. I am glad to hear that you and the gentlemen who made the pleasure of receiving me at the meeting of the Navy League, I desire at the same time to express to you, as president of the British Columbia branch of the league in bringing a knowledge of the navy before the public of British Columbia. It is, I am quite aware, unnecessary to repeat to you what has already been said, which always (as in Canada as a whole) speaks with no uncertain voice; but in many cases there is not a complete knowledge of the navy and its importance in the well-being, nay, existence of the Empire, and that, I think, the league of which you are a branch has in various parts of the world done good work. I feel sure your branch now started in British Columbia will do likewise."

"I might venture to suggest a subject which might with advantage be considered by your branch of the league, and that is the influencing of public opinion in the direction of the formation of a British Columbia Naval Reserve, a reserve which appears to me to be the best method of the sailing fleet would be admirably adapted. With all good wishes, believe me, my dear Sir Henry, Very sincerely yours, A. K. BICKFORD."

A letter of acknowledgment was read from Sir Henry Crease as president of the league.

Chairman Peterson, in resuming, referred to the limited number who were present, but he hoped they were of sufficient importance to exert considerable influence. The navy had been of the greatest importance throughout the history of the Empire, and was still of the almost consequence. Quoting from the constitution of the Navy League he said the general aims of it were: "To spread information showing the vital importance of the British Empire, and the naval supremacy upon which depend its trade, empire and national existence."

"To call attention to the enormous demands which war would make upon the navy; and to the fact that the navy is not strong enough to meet them; and at all times to point out any shortcomings in this respect."

"To call attention from time to time to such measures as may be requisite to secure adequate preparation for the maritime defence of the Empire."

"To urge these matters on public men and in particular upon candidates for Parliament, and to secure their attention to the navy."

"The league shall be absolutely distinct from all party politics."

Having traversed the whole range of the British Empire, he was convinced of the importance of the navy, and the need of the navy to the protection of the men-of-war the treasure ships would offer themselves a prey to plunderers. It looked as if all the roads of commerce led to London, the metropolis of the world. London was a world in miniature.

another branch of the service, a kindred branch. Canada had perhaps not taken such active part in naval affairs as they might wish. The Act of Confederation excluded it. The provision against having gunboats on the Great Lakes arising out of relations with the United States, had prevented this.

The same martial spirit existed among Canadians with regard to the navy as with the army. She had evidenced the latter in her contributions to the contingents for South Africa. He referred to his visit to London, where the spirit evidenced by Canada was appreciated. A scheme on a plan with the militia organization, he thought, might be brought into existence for the naval branch—a system by which young men might be trained and pass examinations at the naval station so that the Empire would have a trained body of men and officers in reserve. If a great war were entered into England would doubtless find that she needed trained officers as well as men. He would favor anything which would foster the strong feeling of patriotism, which was felt throughout the Empire.

H. Frith said the "Death of Nelson," which was loudly applauded.

C. H. Lugin, referring to his school days, said many of the boys with whom he had gone to school in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia had already shown themselves as being to serve the Empire in the navy, as had been shown in the other parts of the Dominion in the militia.

Referring to the map, he said that on the Asiatic side of the Pacific were 500,000,000 people, while on the other side were 80,000,000 people. The masses of men in the world and the ocean separating them would some time be the theatre of the greatest activities. The importance of British Columbia could be readily seen, and she showed the greatest interest in naval affairs.

There was little difficulty in keeping up interest in England in such an organization, but here they were more taken up with the activities of life in an endeavor to provide for maintenance, the matter was more difficult.

The attorney-general had brought to the attention of the minister of marine and fisheries at Ottawa the question of a training ship during his late visit, and had been favorably answered.

Richard Hall, M. P., said he came to the meeting to show his sympathy with the aims of the Navy League, and not to speak. The navy of England had commanded the respect of the world, and Canada had shown herself in the South Atlantic war to be the rival power of strength to the Empire. He believed in being practical, and favored a training ship by means of which young men who might, by errors, be committed to the refractory and irritable, upon them, be made into good sailors.

He recalled the sight of the old sailing vessels of the navy rounding Cape Horn and entering Esquimalt. In his opinion the sailing vessels were a thing of beauty.

He thought the 400 or 500 men who went out in vessels braved the dangers of the northern seas, and brought their ships safely back could be made into splendid naval men during the dull season of the winter.

W. H. Hayward, M. P., said that representing Esquimalt, a naval station, he felt that he should show his interest in such matters. He said that there was not enough known of naval affairs. There was great surprise evidenced at the discussion he had given in parliament.

He doubted whether Victoria would be what it was without the navy. Many were interested in the navy at times, but not as a rule. He said that he had not noticed on May 24th, but there was a lack of active interest in naval matters. He would do any service which the league might require of him at any time.

H. Frith led in singing "John Bull's Defiance," which was heartily joined by the audience.

The senator Tomlinson said that he had, when he visited a few days ago to be present, expressed himself as not being informed respecting the navy or the Navy League.

He was glad he had come to the meeting. People who were well informed upon other subjects were often lamentably ignorant respecting the navy.

The defence of Canada should be of the utmost interest. He somewhat differed in opinion from the chairman as to its not being treated as a political question. He believed it might be well treated as a great political question, one of the most important. He would gladly see the great Reform party formulate the objects of the Navy League as a platform. He felt assured that such were done. The Conservative party would be scrambling after it also. The preservation of Canada had not been in the past sufficiently taken into account by the people of the Dominion. Canadians had been too ready to accept the protection which the mother of the Empire afforded them without exerting a sufficient effort in that direction themselves. With a very small regular force and a militia strength of only about 40,000, who were irregularly trained, little could be said to be done towards affording protection. She had up to the time of sending the contingents to South Africa done little towards aiding in Imperial defence. This was not to her credit. The time had come when she might cease to hang to the skirts of England, but should provide some part of our own defence. If she were a part of the United States, or an independent state, she would be called upon to furnish an important quota for defence. Why not do so as part of the British Empire? The time had come, he believed, when Canadians might fairly be asked to furnish some part in the defence of the Empire. Public spirit should be stirred up in the matter. He would give his enthusiastic support as a member of the organization. He would be glad to see the houses of parliament to such. To accomplish it he would gladly see it made a political question in the broadest sense, though not a partisan question.

Mr. Robert, an ex-cavalry man, felt cheered up by the meeting. The more that was known about the league the more he would be interested in it. A feeling should be fostered among friends of the members, which would be the best way to proceed.

It was expected that there would, in the near future, be a representative of the Navy League in the series of lectures upon the navy, with illustrations. There was a lack of knowledge throughout Canada as to the navy and its needs. Merchants never seem to realize that the more they trade is due to the navy. The safety of the bottoms which carry their merchandise across the sea are only guaranteed by the navy. Various parts of the province had expressed a readiness to assist in the work.

In closing, he hoped for a large enrollment, so that when the Prince came, who was a naval man himself, they would be able to note upon him that they had a strong branch here.

Capt. C. Boyd, as an old naval officer, said he spent his best days in that service. In 1807 he approached the Admiralty as to a training ship. He was unable to get any further, but in the near future he expected to be able to do something. He hoped to see the people of Canada stirred up on this subject.

Capt. Barkley urged that the vessel utilized as a training ship, if established, should be a sailing vessel. There was a spirit in favor of yachting, and the sails had a fascination for young fellows. They had had a good motor, but should help England now. They could build a sailing rig of the best model right here in the province. It would cost less than a motor vessel, and should help English boys. It would build a sailing rig of the best model right here in the province. It would cost less than a motor vessel, and should help English boys. It would build a sailing rig of the best model right here in the province. It would cost less than a motor vessel, and should help English boys.

"Alliance thought a sailing brig would not suit here. He had served 22 years in the navy and had seen service on all the world's oceans. He had seen a three-decker training ship, which would serve as a home also for those in training."

Being employed at times around the reformatory, he said that the class of boys found in the reformatory were the boys who were right stamp if they were gathered into the training ship before being spoiled on the streets.

He was carried unanimously. Hon. E. Dewdney, Capt. Barkley, the following resolution was carried: "That the British Columbia branch of the Navy League desires to tender its deep sympathy to the Hon. Mr. Justice Tully, a white Drake, one of its vice-presidents, and his family, in the sad bereavement they have this day sustained by the loss of Mrs. Drake."

The singing of "God Save the King" brought the meeting to a close.

LIFE AT CAMP MACAULAY.

Men Enjoy Themselves in Various During Hours of Relaxation.

In moments of relaxation at Camp Macaulay, the soldier lads certainly have lots of fun. Among such amusements are the most interesting and inventive games, and all sorts of diversions are entered into unrestrainedly. Dancing and cake walks monopolize the greater part of the evenings, the participants in the latter being a number of coy young ladies of somewhat masculine personality.

After drill last evening the men in camp had a pleasant time; they formed up and danced for about an hour, four sets dancing the lancers to music furnished by two month organs and one concertina. After the lancers, five couples danced the cake walk, the ladies being "Misses Richardson, Gray, Turner, Porter and King. They looked extremely graceful with their white night shirts on. After a keen competition "Miss Turner was declared the winner of the first prize. The second prize was given to Miss Porter coming second. The judge, Sergeant-Major Muleahy, in a few well chosen words, complimented the winner and congratulated the other competitors. The only regrettable incident was the fact that Miss Turner, who could hardly be restrained by those present from pulling the hair of the successful competitor. She becoming violent, had to be ordered out of the dancing pavilion by the master of the house, Sergeant-Major Schorn. 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A Happy Gathering

The City Council Were in a Self-Congratulatory Mood Last Evening.

Business Proceeded With a Swing—Four By-Laws Finally Passed.

The members of the city council were happy last night. They showed it in the jocund expeditions manner in which they disposed of the business before them.

The general preliminaries having been completed, communications were taken up. W. W. Northcott, returning officer, reported the successful result of the polling on the quartette of by-laws submitted to the ratepayers yesterday.

The mayor congratulated the ratepayers on endorsing all the by-laws, which he eulogized as a progressive step.

Ald. Cameron seconded, and both motions were carried amid applause.

The deputy superintendent general of Indian affairs, Ottawa, wrote as follows: Ottawa, June 13, 1901. Dear Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 24th April last, with regard to the desire of the city of Victoria to have certain portions of the Songhees Indian reserve transferred to the corporation for certain portions of the Songhees Indian reserve of the Indians to another reserve, I beg to state that it would be quite impossible to entertain that request.

The communication was referred to the standing committee on acquisition of Indian reserve for report.

The mayor of Vancouver and secretary of the celebration committee extended an invitation to the mayor, council and city committee to attend the coming Dominion Day festivities at Vancouver.

Ald. Yates moved the acceptance of the kind invitation, incidentally remarking upon the desirability of the interchange of courtesies between neighboring municipalities.

J. A. L. Waddell, Kansas City, offered the services of his car for the construction of the new Point Ellice bridge, quoting rates for plans, specifications and inspection.

It was first suggested that the communication be tabled, but Ald. Williams wanted it disposed of at once. He contended that this bridge could be constructed by local people. He favored having the work done in the country without sending elsewhere.

The mayor referred to the splendid standing of Mr. Waddell, who was an authority on bridge building, and suggested that the communication be treated contentiously. It was ultimately laid on the table.

W. Minton, secretary of the park committee of a Quebec municipality, thanked the park committee of Victoria for the present of two swans. Received and filed.

In this connection Ald. Hall expatiated on the importance of a park as a municipal asset. He was sorry that the appropriation for the park had been decreased, as he assured the council that this year had a greater number of visitors than ever before.

Another Stampede

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The council adjourned. The council adjourned.

ADOPTED THE GUARD. The Toronto Street Railway Company Will Use Invention of a Victorian in Their System.

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SOUVENIR EDITION

Of the Times to be Published Early in October.

Souvenir of the Royal visit. Recognizing that the approaching stay of their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of York, will mark an epoch in the history of the city of Victoria and the province of British Columbia, the publishers of the Victoria Daily Times are preparing to issue a special souvenir edition, which will be published concurrently with the holding of the British Columbia agricultural exhibition. This number, which is issued under the patronage of His Worship the Mayor and board of aldermen, will consist of fifty or sixty pages printed on the finest paper and embellished with over one hundred half-tone engravings, illustrating the resources of British Columbia and the beauties and wealth of Victoria and Vancouver Island.

Over 30,000 copies of this superb magazine edition, which will be enclosed in a handsome cover, will be circulated during the time of the exhibition, thus affording an excellent opportunity for advertisers to bring before the numerous visitors to Victoria during this civic carnival their ability to cater to the wants of the public.

As the advertising matter will be limited, application should be made early for space.

Mr. Ogilvie, late commissioner of Yukon, will proceed outside soon for a holiday of some months. He is the best authority on the history of Yukon. He tells how Ferguson, a Nova Scotian, staked the first bench or more precisely hillside claim in the Klondike. Ferguson was a man of few words and much thinking. He worked on Eldorado creek, and one day talking with Mr. Ogilvie, while the latter was surveying Bonanza creek, he made the remark that it was strange how the discovery of the creek came about, and the luck Carmack and Skookum Jim had in striking the only place on the creek where such a surface deposit of gold as ever found, as they washed up in a little while. He asked Mr. Ogilvie what he thought about the gold happening to be there, and where it came from. Mr. Ogilvie replied that in his opinion that gold never came from the creek at all, but had been washed down the hillside at that point, and was therefore on the surface. Carmack found his gold at a point where the hillside terminated higher up in a bench or gentle slope. Ferguson said nothing more, but he appears to have done a lot of thinking, and not long after this Carmack's party was surprised one morning to see the stakes of Ferguson in the hillside above the claim they were working. He worked there all winter, but no one could find the source of the gold. Mr. Ogilvie he vouchsafed the reply that he did not need to laugh, and he did not need to cry over what he was about which was not intended, meant that he was very well satisfied with the return. That, however, was the beginning of the hillside mining, which has doubled the value of the gold in the Klondike.

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All By-Laws Carried

Ratepayers Voted For Progress Yesterday, Endorsing Four Proposed Improvements.

Work Will Be Prosecuted as Soon as Possible—A Bright Outlook.

Yesterday was a red letter day in the history of the corporation of Victoria. Four by-laws were endorsed in no mistakable manner by the ratepayers, and the work on the improvements provided for will be commenced and prosecuted as soon as possible. The by-laws are as follows:

New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-Law, 1901. \$75,000 James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1901. 150,000 Government Street Paving Loan (City's Share) By-Law, 1901. 27,000 High School Loan By-Law, 1901. 30,000

Total. \$282,000. Voting commenced yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, the returning officer and his staff of deputies and clerks having prepared everything for the day's balloting. Despite the inclement weather the balloting was quite brisk, which increased the afternoon, particularly when 4 o'clock, the concluding hour, was reached.

Although great interest was manifested in the by-laws throughout, there was little excitement, however, as it was generally conceded that the Bridge, Mud Flats, Government Street Paving By-Laws, would pass easily. There was some doubt regarding the High School, owing to the misapprehension in some quarters of the primary object in view of the erection of the new building. Time and time again the fact had been emphasized that more room was absolutely necessary and that the erection of a new High School building would not only relieve the pressure, but place this city on an equality with the neighboring municipalities in the possession of adequate premises for the higher education here.

Three-fifths of the total vote polled for each by-law was required to carry it. The three first named were several hundred votes in the majority, the last having more than four hundred votes in excess of the required amount. The High School By-Law had eighty more than the necessary three-fifths, but it will be observed from the accompanying table that there was quite a spirited opposition to the by-law. For this reason possibly greater interest was manifested in its welfare than in the others which were regarded as safely carried. Fortunately the by-law was carried, and Fernwood road, the prospective site, will in the near future be adorned with a structure of which Victorians need not be ashamed.

In the past it was always with an apologetic cringe that a resident of this city escorted visitors to the miserable little shack-like structure which has for years served the purpose of a High School building.

Two hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars expended in improvements in this city in one season! That is the meaning of the passage of the four by-laws yesterday—a stroke of enterprise which gives the lie to the oft-repeated assertion in other cities that Victorians had sunk into torpor. Hundreds of men will be given employment, and there will be enough mechanical activity to raise a "boom."

In regard to the Government street paving the by-law provides for a loan to defray the city's share. The property owners on Government street, contiguous to that part on which the improvement will be carried out, will contribute an additional \$15,000. This will increase the amount to be expended in improvements, and should the expenditure exceed expectations in the various other works and the Tramway company inaugurate their proposed improvement in their system nearly half a million dollars will be required to cover the sum total.

The supporters of each by-law were out bright and early yesterday morning. Hacks and other vehicles were engaged, and many a ratepayer enjoyed a free ride to the polling station.

Counting commenced at 4 o'clock, and at intervals the Times posted bulletins announcing the progress of the count. A crowd soon assembled in front of the office, and the greatest interest was displayed and some excitement, when the close fight the High School By-Law was making became apparent.

At 7 o'clock the final results were announced, and the official bulletin posted up at the city hall by the returning officer, W. W. Northcott. The official returns are as follows:

Government Street Paving. For. Against. South Ward. 212 56. Central Ward. 337 55. North Ward. 545 100. Majority for. 1,094 211.

High School. For. Against. Central Ward. 172 99. South Ward. 248 128. North Ward. 434 213. Majority for. 854 440.

James Bay Flats. For. Against. Central Ward. 223 83. South Ward. 337 55. North Ward. 612 89. Majority for. 1,182 197.

Point Ellice Bridge. For. Against. Central Ward. 202 34. South Ward. 385 35. North Ward. 692 51. Majority for. 1,282 120.

Great credit is due the citizens' committee for their excellent work in the interests of progress, as well as the ladies, who turned out nobly.

Mr. Gordon waited upon Mr. H. Dallas Helmecken, K. C., M. P., president of the association for the present year, who was very gratified at this spontaneous generosity of Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, and at once sent the following dispatch in reply:

June 25th, 1901. Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, Ltd., Walkerville, Ont.: The North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen heartily thank you for your very handsome and most acceptable trophy, which they gratefully accept, and which in future will be known and rowed for as the Hiram Walker challenge trophy.