

EE FALLS THROUGH ROOF OF HOUSE

Children Sustain Injuries and One May Not Recover

Smith, Jan. 24.—An accident that probably resulted fatally occurred at the home of Thos. Doherty, about a north of this city, on Saturday evening. Doherty and his wife were in the house cutting down a large tree which was rotten in the center, chanced through the roof. An iron beam in one of the upstairs rooms was struck through the floor into the room below, where a year old baby sitting on the floor was struck and crushed only by a miracle, but sustained serious injuries from a large splinter of wood which lodged in his head. Another child was badly cut on the head also. One side of the house is completely wrecked. The concrete block work of St. Peter's Roman Catholic mission is complete, and the carpenters are at work on the woodwork.

RAILWAYS AND TRIFF

Thomas Shaughnessy Interviewed in Old Country.

London, Jan. 25.—Interviewed as to reported refusal of the United States to grant the minimum tariff of 50 per cent, Sir Thos. Shaughnessy said the McKinley tariff had advanced 200 per cent in the last ten years, both industrial and agricultural.

Apparently, said he, "our neighbors" to give us another advantage of the same character. I look for a similar result in the case of this new tariff. It should provide an additional stimulus to our manufacturers towards the policy of making the most of our natural resources and raw material.

Those who ought to know see an interesting sidelight on the changing relations between the Canadian government and the Canadian Pacific railway in the following statement made by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy to the representative before sailing on Saturday.

The Canadian Pacific will probably build 400 miles of new railway this year in the West. There is no likelihood of Canadian Pacific development in the Maritime Provinces, which, in opinion, have all the railway accommodation they need at the present time.

It would be wiser, I think, to build 200 miles of railway in the Maritimes, and make greater use of the facilities afforded by the Inter-nal.

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Production is Well Up to the Average in Southwestern B. C.

London, Jan. 24.—The ore shipments smelter receipts for the past week well up to the average. Appended the details:

Table with columns: Week, Year, and values for various items like Iron, Steel, etc.

SMELTER RECEIPTS. Week. Year. Iron 26,046 78,652. Steel 7,232 24,354. Copper 9,950 29,795.

The city is calling for tenders for 500 gallons of creosote, and until the bids Acting City Engineer will purchase what exceeds the tenders for treating wood blocks. A inspection of the material will be made, as last year it was found to be of inferior quality.

DIED. BORN.—At Vancouver, B. C., on the 24th inst., Lily, wife of P. T. Sherman, aged 35 years, a native of Wood-bridge, England.

PENBERGER—At Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, on January 23rd, Mrs. Anna Penberger, the 16-year-old daughter of John and Mary A. Penberger.

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POWER PLANT CONTRACT IS LET

FIRST UNIT ORDERED FOR JORDAN RIVER

B. C. Electric Co. Authorizes an Expenditure of Over Fifty Thousand Dollars

A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, returned from Vancouver last evening, where he secured the contract with R. P. Springle, general manager, relative to the letting of contracts for the supplying of certain quantities of machinery which will be required at the Jordan River power station under the process of construction. To the Times this morning Mr. Goward said that contracts involving an expenditure of \$52,000 had been awarded.

The John McDougall Caledonian Iron Works Company, Ltd., represented by E. M. Breed, manager for British Columbia, will supply the first of the four 4,000 Kilowatt units. The Jordan River plant when completed will have a capacity of four 4,000 Kilowatt units, and for the first of these that the contract has now been signed.

The unit now under contract and which is to be installed and in running order by October 1st, 1910, will consist of a 10,000 horse power Double impulse water wheel, directly connected to a 4,000 kilowatt generator, running at 400 revolutions per minute. It also includes an exciting generator directly connected to a water wheel, both of the same manufacture as the other machinery.

SUPERSTITIOUS FARMERS ALARMED

TELL WEIRD STORY OF MIDNIGHT DISTURBANCES

Declare Young Girl Has Become Possessed of the Devil

(Special to the Times.) Charlotetown, P. E. I., Jan. 31.—French farmers of New Zealand, a small settlement at the end of the island, have been thrown into a state of nervous excitement by a series of supernatural phenomena surrounding a young woman named Chinine.

The ignorant farmers believe the girl is possessed of a devil, and Rev. Walker, of Rolle Bay, parish priest, has been impetuously to perform the rite of exorcism, once reported by the Catholic church for the purpose of driving out a possessed of devils.

The Chinese girl is about 20 years old. Since the death of both of her parents she has been living with her brothers, small farmers of New Zealand. Miss Chinine, on hearing the announcement that her eldest brother intended to marry a young woman in the neighborhood, burst into a fit of rage and declared that she would as soon have the devil in the family as that girl. That night the household was troubled by loud noises, which seemed to come from all parts of the house.

BRYAN IN PERU. Arequipa, Peru, Jan. 31.—Wm. Jennings Bryan and family have arrived here and are warmly welcomed. They left for Lima to-day.

FISH PACKER VISITS VICTORIA

TELLS OF OPERATIONS IN MILD CURING

Refrigerator Steamers Visit the Coast of Siberia During Fishing Season

The originator of the idea of the mild salted spring salmon and the chief partner in the firm of J. Lindenberg & Co., was in the city on Saturday looking over the ground in regard to the prospects for the coming year. Mr. Lindenberg is a practical business man who understands the detail of the whole business, and this is not a little, for it includes not only the buying and packing, but the efficient and quick transportation and the effective marketing.

Lindenberg & Co., who operate a salting plant in this city, last year put up 4,500 tonnes of spring salmon, each ton containing close to half a ton of fish. Besides this they exported a large quantity of frozen steels, all of which were sent to the European market, Germany being the principal.

Special refrigerating steamers are chartered which carry the fish in a perfectly fresh condition to the markets of England and Germany. The Siberian fish are not the same variety that are found here, but they are a species of salmon well suited to the purpose of shipping in a frozen condition. That means that they look quite fresh when placed on the market. This cannot be said of a great many Pacific coast fish, which have an oily appearance if packed or salted. These can only be canned, as the buyers will not take them when put up in any other way.

COURT OF APPEAL CONCLUDES ITS SESSION

Delivers Judgments on Feb. 11 and Sits in Vancouver on Feb. 15

Argument was concluded before the Court of Appeal this morning in the case of Andrews vs. Pacific Coast Coal Mines Co. and judgment was reserved. This exhausts the appeal list for the present sessions of the court in Victoria. On Friday, February 12th, the court will hold a special sitting in Victoria, in order to hand down judgments in the various cases which came before them since the commencement of the session, which have not previously been disposed of.

A special sitting of the Court of Appeal will be held in Vancouver, to commence on Tuesday, February 15th. It will be the first occasion on which the court has sat in Vancouver since it was constituted and considerable business has accumulated, so it is probable that the sessions will be of considerable duration.

STIFFRAGETTE RELEASED

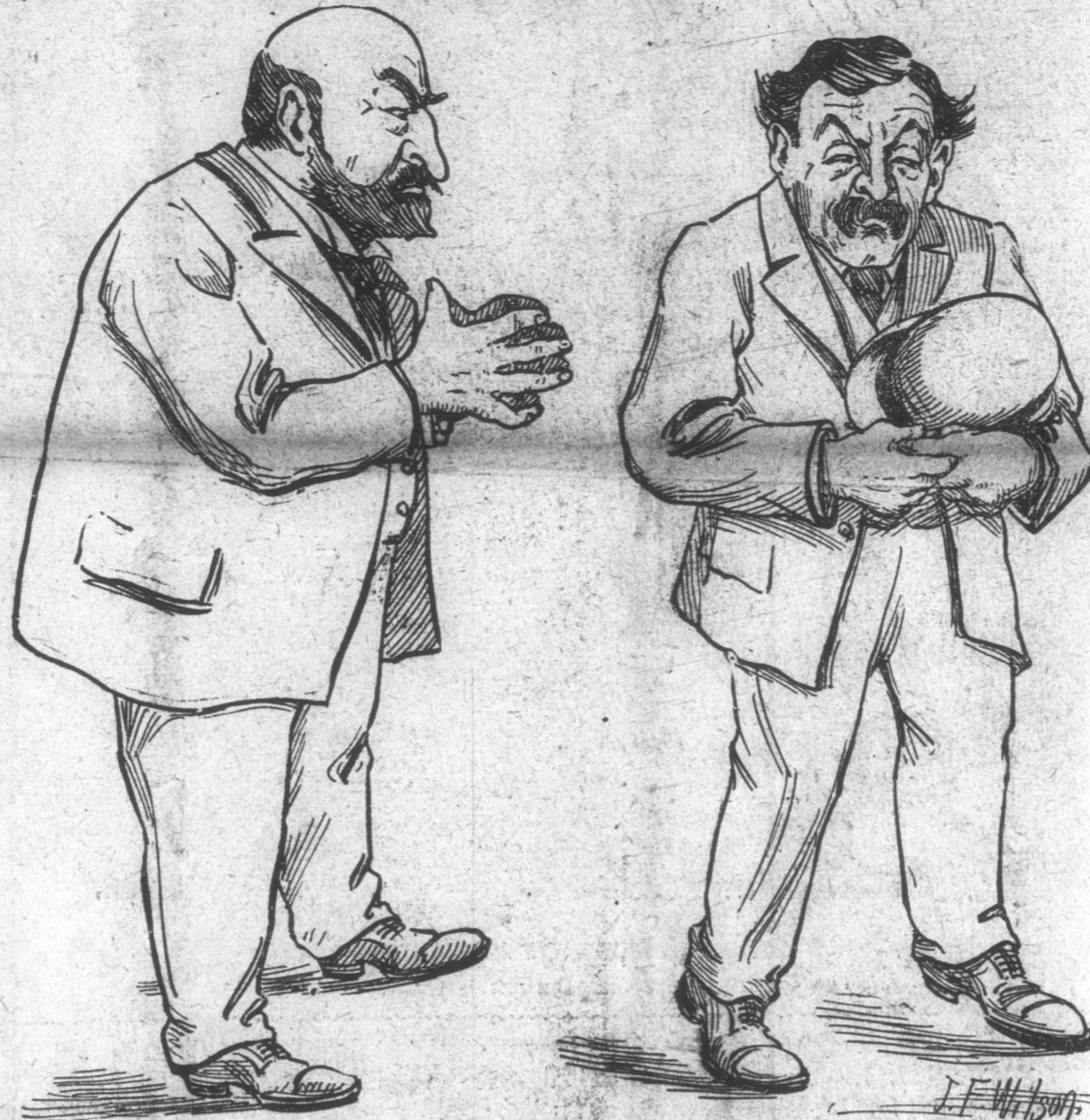
Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—Miss Margaret Graining, a graduate of Smith College, and a well known suffragette, was released at midnight from Moyamensing prison, where she had been locked up for more than ten hours on a charge of inciting to riot.

DRIVERS ROBBED

Toronto, Jan. 31.—Five drivers for Rutherford and Marshall's stable were held up for \$200 by two masked men. As driver, one by one, came in with their money returns they were met by a pistol pointed at their faces and told to deliver. Then they were tied up in stables. Detectives are working on the case.

EARLY CLOSING.

Quebec, Jan. 31.—The by-law closing bar rooms and retail groceries between midnight and 7 a.m., has been adopted by the city council. This does not affect the Saturday night early closing.



REBUKED! JOSEPH MARTIN—"Lloyd George, shame on you! Now, when I was a cabinet minister in the Colonies I never used stronger language than 'A White Shit-Hobo.'"

RAILWAY PRESIDENT ADDRESSES EMPLOYEES

Pays Tribute to Men Who Work on Road—Company's Pension Fund

(Times Lensed Wire.) New Haven, Conn., Jan. 31.—Mutual co-operation and information as to the work of the company for employees were discussed last night by President Mellen of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, at the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

DISAGREEMENT AT MEETING BELIEVED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SHOOTING

(Times Lensed Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 31.—Startling was the sequel last night to the shooting of Tomaso Bruno outside the Klondike hotel on Saturday night, when two more victims of the Black Hand intrigue were added to the list. The local police are to-day trying to find out what members of the Black Hand gang are in town, and who are their victims.

TRAIN LEAVES DEAD IN PATH

Runs Down Wagon and Auto, Killing Two Men and a Woman

(Times Lensed Wire.) Mansfield, Ohio, Jan. 31.—Crashing into a wagon at a crossing near Londonville, killing Mrs. Roy Covert and fatally injuring her husband, Pennsylvania train No. 9 struck an automobile a few miles further on in the outskirts of Crestline and killed J. H. Spilack, aged 60, and Charles E. Chelberger, both of Heyesville.

THREE MEN DROWN

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 31.—Three men were drowned when the towboat Enterprise ran down a disabled gasoline launch drifting in its path last night.

SUSPECTED BLACK HAND VENDETTA

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ACCUSED OF ISSUING FRAUDULENT DRAFT

One Man is Committed for Trial and Another Remanded for Day

(Times Lensed Wire.) Vancouver, Jan. 31.—Charles H. Campbell and Adam H. Davis, arrested in this city last Friday in connection with a fraudulent draft issued on the name of Eugene, Oregon, appeared in the police court this morning. Davis asked for a remand of one day in order to secure counsel, which was granted. Campbell was ready to go on trial and asked for preliminary hearing. He was sent up for trial.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT AT G.T.P.

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—W. C. C. Mehan, superintendent of the Grand Trunk Pacific at Melville, Sask., was on Saturday appointed general superintendent of the mountain division of the railway, with headquarters at Prince Rupert, B. C.

ILLINOIS MINE WILL BE RE-OPENED

Effort to be Made to Rescue Bodies of Miners Killed by Explosion

(Times Lensed Wire.) Cherry, Ills., Jan. 31.—The St. Paul mine, which has been closed since November 13th, when fire caused the death of 350 men, will be unsealed to-day or to-morrow. It is thought that forty bodies are floating in water in the bottom of the mine. More than 200 other corpses are said to be huddled in the second level.

KILLS TWO AND FATALLY WOUNDS THREE OTHERS, INCLUDING TWO SQUAWAS

Globe, Ariz., Jan. 31.—As the result of an old feud, Tom Hanson, an Apache Indian, murdered two Indians and probably fatally wounded another Indian and two squaws near Payson, late Saturday. The murderer escaped. Detachments of Indian police from San Carlos, Fort Apache and the White River reservations are in pursuit.

ASQUITH MAY MAKE CHANGES IN CABINET

John Burns Likely to Go to Home Office While Winston Churchill Will Become President of Local Government Board.

London, Jan. 31.—With Premier Asquith on the continent and Chancellor Lloyd George closely following him, politicians are resting on their arms, discussing what lines of battle will be taken in the new parliament.

The moral commonly drawn from the elections is that the country generally does not want radical changes in the House of Lords or in the government policies. The spirit of conciliation, therefore, is abroad, and schemes for a compromise are being debated. Conservative papers propose the most interesting plans: That a cabinet be chosen from the moderate men of both parties to carry on the government for two years, and that a truce be declared on party questions in the meantime. A royal commission to investigate the country's fiscal policy and to make recommendations regarding tariff reform is proposed.

The newspaper scheme of coalition is not taken seriously by the Liberals, who, having won a narrow victory, object to having their opponents dictate the programme. Lord Rosebery's name is put forward for the premiership in the compromise cabinet, but Rosebery has for a long time refused office, and his popularity now is at a low mark because of his course on the budget issues. Reform of House of Lords. The reform of the House of Lords seems to be the one thing assured. Both parties support it. The Lords themselves are willing to adopt moderate changes immediately, lest the reforms that would knock the foundations from the upper House be carried.

The latest returns give the standing of parties as follows: Unionists, 271; Liberals, 272; Laborites, 477 Nationalists, 80. With two gains 22 days the Unionists scored a total of 128. The Liberals Saturday captured the Jarrold division of Durham; county from the Labor party, giving them a total of 29 gains. The Laborites have but a single gain.

TRAVELLING MEN ENTER COMPLAINT

Declare Railway Commission's Time of Trains Increases Running

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Jan. 31.—The recent order of the Dominion railway commission requiring trains to slow down to ten miles an hour at public crossings is being met with much sympathy from the train travelling public. The effect of it is seen with special force on the run between Toronto and Hamilton, where there are five of these crossings.

PANIC AT DANCE

Man Who Had Been Ejected Opens Fire With Revolver

Chicago, Jan. 31.—Two hundred persons, including many women and girls, were thrown into a panic Sunday when Carmela Sicoli, a laborer, entered a ball room where they were dancing and began firing a revolver. The dancers escaped through windows to adjoining roofs and down fire escapes. All the shots went wild and Sicoli, who was accused of having been ejected from the ball, was overpowered and locked up.

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DISTRESS ACUTE AMONG HOMELESS

FLOOD REFUGEES WITHOUT FOOD

River Seine is Slowly Receding—Danger From Disease Increases

(Times Lensed Wire.) Paris, Jan. 31.—With 200,000 persons homeless in Paris and its suburbs, 200,000 unemployed and hundreds still imperilled by flood and acute distress witnessed on every hand, the government announced to-day that it has the situation well in hand. This statement simply means that the crisis from the flood itself has passed, and if everything goes well and none of the threatening dangers materialize, the city will be in a position to recover from its terrible blow.

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PARISIANS REJOICE NOW RIVER IS RECEDING

Authorities of French Capital Realize, However, That Grave Danger Still Faces City as Result of Flood.

(Times Leased Wire) Paris, Jan. 29.—Martial law was proclaimed in Paris to-day. The authorities came to the conclusion that this was the only means of rigidly controlling the situation.

Hungry refugees from the flood districts made attacks on food shops this afternoon, and in many instances openly defied the police.

Final estimates this afternoon place the total property loss at \$200,000,000, with the probability of an additional \$50,000,000 resulting from the undermining of the city.

The breaking of sewers did new damage to-day to the Place de l'Opera.

Paris, Jan. 29.—Following the official announcement by the authorities that the flood has reached its crest and the crisis is passed, the people of Paris to-day are rejoicing in a frenzy of thanksgiving.

At 10 o'clock this morning the Seine had fallen three inches below its highest point during the last terrible week, and was still receding.

Although the danger of further damage is believed to be passed, the streets in the river districts and the lower portions of the city present scenes of destruction that are appalling.

The sanitary conditions in the flood districts are frightful. Broken sewers have added to the filth brought into the city by the flood.

Much of the pitifully inadequate food supplies now in the city, and authorities declare it unfit for consumption, and its use will be attended by the gravest risk of fever and other diseases.

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were driven by the floods, until permission is obtained from the authorities. This will be given only after the places are examined and disinfected, should it be necessary.

The necessity of water for drinking purposes is a source of much anxiety. With the turbid flood waters everywhere, hardly a drop fit to drink is available.

The authorities to-day issued orders that all refuse must be burned, and everything touched by the floods from broken sewers added to the flames.

San Francisco, Jan. 29.—More than \$2,000 has been raised in San Francisco for the benefit of those destitute by floods in Paris, according to announcement to-day by the committee in charge.

The relief fund being collected here will be acceptable in the stricken city was evidenced by the following reply to a cablegram to Paris, dispatched by the French consul-general, Henri Merou, offering assistance: "Assistance will be received with gratitude."

New York, Jan. 29.—For the relief of the flood-stricken Parisians, the Metropolitan and Manhattan opera companies will give benefit performances on February 6th and 7th.

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THE MODERN LADY MACBETH The Culprit—"Out, damned spot! Out, I say!"

NAME WATER BOARD MONDAY

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Another matter which will come before the city council on Monday evening, bearing on the water problem, will be the question of effecting repairs to the Smith's Hill reservoir. If the recommendation of the streets committee be adopted Arthur L. Adams, under whose supervision the reservoir was constructed, will not be given the task of advising as to the nature of the repairs, as had been spoken of by the council board of last year. It is likely that repairs will be effected by the new city engineer, when that official has been appointed.

TORONTO CHURCH CHIMES. Toronto, Jan. 29.—As a result of an injunction taken out by Miss Frase who complained that the ringing of the chimes of St. James' church, Stratford, has caused nervous collapse, the church authorities have decided to ring the chimes every hour instead of every quarter of an hour.

MANY COMING TO VICTORIA

Winnipeg, Jan. 29.—Judge Mathers, Mrs. Mathers and family left to-day to spend some time in Victoria.

Over 100 hundred people have left the city within the last week for Victoria.

GERMAN EXPORTS TO CANADA DECLINE

Berlin Newspaper Says Tariff War is Responsible for Falling Off

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THE UNIONISTS AND LIBERALS REMAIN TIE

Some Doubt Expressed as to Whether Asquith Will Continue to Hold Office as Premier in New Government.

London, Jan. 29.—With each side assured of 267 seats, the tie between the Unionists and the Liberals in the parliamentary elections remains unbroken to-day.

Forecasters are busy this afternoon estimating the final strength of the contending parties. While an absolutely accurate prediction, of course, is impossible, persons conversant with the conditions in the constituencies say the alignment in the next parliament will be about as follows: Unionists, 273; Liberals, 271; Nationalists, 83; Laborites, 40.

If this prediction holds good, the Liberals with their allies undoubtedly will be supreme.

Among the Nationalists rejoicing in general, for with the equal division of the two great parties, the balance of legislative power will be in their hands. They believe that their position to enforce action on the Home Rule bill will be unassailable. Also they admit there is little chance of its passage at the coming session.

One Canadian Candidate. Only one more Canadian candidate has to learn whether or not he will sit in the new House of Commons. He is Foster Boulton, of the Boulton family of Toronto, who won a seat in Ramsey division of Huntington at the last election as a Liberal by a majority of 281.

The great crowds which gathered around bulletin boards in Fleet street with joyous abandon of the first few days, when the result was in doubt, no longer are noticeable.

The greatest election show since Monday and football and roller skating will come into their own again.

Will Asquith Rejoice? There is considerable doubt whether Asquith will retain the premiership when the new government is formed. He will decide this momentous question during his trip to the Mediterranean. He declared most decidedly that he would not continue in office unless the government gave him full authority to carry out his policy in dealing with the House of Lords.

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Details of Election. Details of elections held yesterday follow: Bosworth, Leicestershire. McLaren, Liberal, 7,709; Fraser, Unionist, 4,427. No change.

Brassey, Unionist, 5,520; Nichols, Laborite, 4,428. No change. Gullford, Surrey. Horne, Unionist, 2,264; Methune, Liberal, 2,012. Unionist gain.

East Grinstead, Sussex. Cautley, Unionist, 6,562; C. H. Corbett, Liberal, 3,228. Unionist gain.

FLOOD IN PARIS

Medical Officers of Fighting Pestilence To Return

Paris, Jan. 29.—Forty miles from the headwaters of the Seine, the floods to-day are beginning to fall and the assurance engineers that the rising tide has reached its crest has been reached by hysterical cheering and weeping of further apprehensions of further suffering.

The city has sustained a heavy loss. A party of balloonists who were sent to the unexpected rescue of the sections where the water was so high, have congregated.

Answering pitiful cries for relief to-day broke the locked doors of the Hotel de Ville, 7 Rue de Valenciennes, where a blind man trying to save his wife from the water which were rushing down the river.

Agents with large supplies of blankets already are on the streets, and the water is fast receding. The situation was far more serious and where the pestilence is greatest.

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WAR MINISTER HALDANE. Re-elected for Haddingtonshire.



EARL OF CREWE. Secretary for the Colonies, Who, It is Stated, Will Be Next Viceroy of India.



FOREIGN SECRETARY GREY. Re-elected for Berwick-on-Tweed.

REBEL LEADER SHOT IN BATTLE

WOUNDED WHILE LEADING CHARGE

The Nicaraguan Revolutionists Condemn Action of U. S. Admiral

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Jan. 29.—General Chamorro, the most trusted and efficient lieutenant of the revolutionary commander, General Estrada, lies seriously wounded in a hospital at the front, according to dispatches brought here to-day, Chamorro, personally led the attack upon the government position near Acopyapa during the bloody battle of January 25th, in which each side lost more than 300 men killed or wounded.

A battery at the centre of the Madrid line apparently was the keystone of the government troops' defence. It was manned, according to the insurgents, by Englishmen. Knowing that his success in the engagement depended upon the coming of the guns, the general led a detachment of his men upon it in the face of a withering fire. He was wounded twice, but did not retire until his task had been accomplished. The capture of the battery turned the tide in favor of the insurgents.

Sympathizers with the revolution are bitter to-day in their condemnation of the attitude toward the Madrid government, which they claim has been taken by Rear-Admiral Kimball, who is in command of the American ships in Nicaraguan waters. They declare that the statement he issued warning Americans to take no part in the revolution was an indirect justification of the execution by Zelaya's men of Leroy Cannon and Leonard Grace, American citizens who cast their lots with Estrada's cause. Such a stand, they further assert, he would not dare to take unless he were absolutely sure of the position of the state department in the United States. In this they profess to see a well approved of the Madrid government by America and predict that if the government troops are successful in keeping the rebels from Managua, Madrid will be formally recognized as president of Nicaragua.

Following the bloody battles of Rama and Reoyo when field hospitals were established and operated under the direction of American, Admiral Kimball became a popular hero alike with rebels and loyalists. Indignation against him is running high among the former to-day because of the unfriendly attitude they insist he has assumed.

Prosperous Newfoundland. St. John's Nfld., Jan. 29.—The speech from the throne, read at the opening of the legislature, rejoices over the widespread evidence of prosperity of the colony and urges increased appropriations for education, lighthouses and wireless telegraph stations. It provides a surplus in the treasury at the end of the year.

The exceptionally mild weather made the opening of the legislature annual by bright military parading in summer uniform.

Wanted of Danger. Rearing its ugly head over the battered waters of the flood, the dragon of disease bared its face of Paris to-day. Officials are sending out plea for the people warning of the perils in the waters before broken sewers. The news is in big type instruction.

Postal Savings Bank. Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The savings bank bill, drafted by the committee of the civil service and post roads, was introduced yesterday, and was referred to the post office committee. The bill provides that postal savings deposits be under the supervision of a board of postal savings depositors.

Head Master Resigns. Lennoxville, Que., Jan. 29.—Rev. W. D. Steadfast, head master of Bishop's College school, has resigned as the result of some changes introduced in the school. Mr. Steadfast was appointed only last September.

Station Burned. Winnipeg, Jan. 29.—The Canadian Northern railway station at Sprague, Man., was burned to the ground this morning. The loss is about \$2,000.

AND REMAIN TIE

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FLOOD IN PARIS HAS REACHED ITS CREST

Medical Officers of Stricken City Now Engaged Fighting Pestilence—Citizens Forbidden To Return to Their Homes.

Paris, Jan. 28.—Forty miles above Paris toward the headwaters of the river Seine, the floods to-day are beginning to fall and the assurances of engineers that the rising tide practically has reached its crest here are being received with hysterical joy.

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London, Jan. 28.—Earl Carrington, it is stated, will succeed Earl Grey as Governor-General of Canada.

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London, Jan. 28.—Inspector O'Brien returned yesterday from Portland, Ore., with the man Conley, who is charged with being implicated in the bunco game at the race course last summer when a Beltingham resident named Olsen was fleeced out of a large sum of money.



DEATH ROLL MAY EXCEED THREE HUNDRED

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J. J. Hill Says They Should Visit Market Instead of Using Telephone

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NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL BROUGHT BACK FROM PORTLAND

Man Alleged to Be Implicated in Swindle Will Be Tried at Vancouver

WOMEN CENSUS ENUMERATORS KILLED BY BLAST

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 28.—Giving full information of the plans and intentions of San Francisco for an international fair to be held in 1915 to celebrate the completion of the Panama canal, letters have been forwarded to the governors of every state and territory in the Union.

MINISTERS PREPARE FOR BUSINESS OF SESSION

Asquith Will Introduce Resolution—Declares Commons Supreme in Matters of Finances—Reform of House of Lords.

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TRIBUNAL TO TRY COMBINES BOARD OF TRADE TO DISCUSS THE MATTER

Freight Delays on Routes to Mainland and Island Shipments

There was a lengthy discussion on the delay in freight between here and Vancouver, arising out of a specific complaint made to the board by Turner, Beaton & Co. in connection with that case very satisfactory replies were received from W. C. Bowles, general freight agent, and G. E. Graham, superintendent of the C. P. R. It came out in the discussion that there are still complaints and the council decided that a circular be prepared and sent to shippers in the city, requesting that every well-founded and specific charge of laxity on the part of any railway official be forwarded to the board.

FIFTY STRIKING MINERS ARRESTED

Three Men Wounded During Riots in the North of England

POLICE OFFICER ON RACE TRACK GAMBLING

Inspector Archibald, of Toronto, Favors Suppression of Book-Making

PRINCE RUPERT PUBLICITY CLUB

RETURNED UNEMPLOYED

Richmond, Jan. 28.—P. S. G. MacKenzie was yesterday re-elected by acclamation to represent Richmond in the local legislature.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK IN STATES

Bill Introduced in Senate Providing for Establishment of Depositories

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The postal savings bank bill, drafted by Senator Carter, Dooliver and Owen, a subcommittee of the committee on post office and post roads, was perfected yesterday, and was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Carter. It was referred to the post office committee, and probably will be reported back to the Senate to-day.

HEAD MASTER RESIGNS

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curiosity and to put the final seal upon a most shameful matter, perhaps the Attorney-General will tell the public why he did not redeem a solemnly taken pledge and produce M. Gotoh as the only living person in a position to put Duncan Ross and John Oliver to everlasting confusion?

CUSTOMS REVENUE STILL GROWING
January Returns Show Increase of \$867,205 Over Same Month Last Year

CIVIC MATTERS.
The vote cast for Mayor Morley and for Mr. W. E. Oliver indicated unmistakably that public opinion in Victoria was favorable to a general overhauling and taking account of the municipal departments. Light has been cast upon various matters since the 12th day of the month, and this has not tended to lessen the strength of the current of public opinion.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Customs revenue for January amounted to \$4,638,831, an increase of \$867,205 compared with the same month last year.

NEW JUDGE.
(Special to The Times.)
Quebec, Jan. 31.—Hon. Charles Langelier, sheriff of Quebec, has been appointed judge of sessions in place of Hon. Justice Chauveau, who has resigned.

ZAM-BUK CURES PILES
Evidence from All Sources.
There are so many so-called "remedies" for piles that sufferers are often at a loss what to try.

Mr. George Harris, of Virden, Man., says: "I suffered acutely from piles, but I am glad to say Zam-Buk gave me ease and brought about ultimate cure."
Mrs. S. Cooke, 468 Pacific Ave., Winnipeg, says: "A month ago I was cured by Zam-Buk of a bad attack of bleeding piles, to which I had been subject for a long time."

BOWSER HAS ALSO FOUND A SCAPEGOAT.
Mr. Bowser has also been absolved from his sins. At a very late day a scapegoat has been found for the Attorney-General's iniquities.

Choose Your Watch Repairer
As you choose your doctor—for effectiveness of work and more so if combined with moderate fee. Many very particular Victorians have judged us as their watch and jewelry doctor.

Wherever there is inflammation or ulceration, there Zam-Buk should be applied. It heals ulcers, abscesses, festering sores, cold cracks, scalds, sprains, cuts, burns, scalds, bruises and all irritated, inflamed or diseased conditions of the skin and subjacent tissue.

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SPENCER'S NEWS

CARPETS
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Our February Furniture and Housefurnishing Sale Opens Tuesday. Every Item on This Page is of Interest to You

Dining Tables at Feb. Sale Prices

- 4 ONLY EXTENSION TABLES, 6 ft. Feb. Sale Price...\$5.75
4 ONLY EXTENSION TABLES, square, golden surfaced oak. Sale price...\$6.75
4 ONLY EARLY ENGLISH SQUARE EXTENSION TABLE, solid oak. Reg. \$12.50. Sale price...\$9.75

Dining Chairs at Economizing Figures

- 5 SETS EARLY ENGLISH SURFACED DINERS, 5 side, 1 arm. Feb. Sale price...\$12.50
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Card Tables, Etc.

- 2 ONLY CHAIR AND CARD TABLES, combined, lined green cloth. Reg. \$25. Feb. Sale price...\$16.75
1 ONLY WRITING TABLE, E. E., fitted with wire and lamps for electric light. Reg. \$35. Feb. Sale price...\$19.75

Every piece of furniture offered in this sale is up-to-date, of the very best quality and finished in the best that skilled workmanship can do. Besides making a general clearance of all stock which is at present shown there will be a great deal of furniture which our buyer has purchased on his trip at phenomenally low prices.

This sale's object is clearance of merchandise of every description, its method is reduced prices. There are no half measures, and though the stocks are new and dependable as always and in every way acceptable the price reduction will be sharp, clean cut, and decisive.

Divans and Parlor Suites at Saving Prices

- 2 ONLY DIVANS, upholstered in real silk brocade, Sheraton design. Reg. \$37.50. Feb. Sale price...\$19.75
1 ONLY 3-PIECE MAHOGANY PARLOR SUITE, upholstered in green plush. Reg. \$29. Sale price...\$19.75

Buffets and Sideboards

- 6 ONLY EARLY ENGLISH BUFFETS, British bevelled plate mirror, 12x36 inch, top of case 20x46 inches, 2 plate drawers, 1 large linen drawer, 2 cupboards. Feb. Sale price...\$9.75

Enamelled and Brass Bed

- AT \$3.90—White Enamelled Iron beds, brass caps well fitted.
AT \$4.90—White Enamelled Iron Bed, well filled brass knobs.

Brass Beds

- AT \$8.50—White Enamelled Bed, extended foot rail, heavy filled.
8 ONLY BRASS BEDS, full size, 4 bright, 4 satin finish, 2 inch posts, 5-8 inch fillers. Reg. \$26.75. Feb. Sale...\$18.75

Mattresses and Springs

- WOVEN WIRE SPRINGS, hard-wood frames, well braced. Sale price...\$1.75
50 ONLY SPRINGS, maple frames. Reg. \$2.50. Each...\$1.00
AT \$2.90—Cotton Top Mattresses.

Lounges, Couches, Etc.

- COUCHES, 6 only, tapestry coverings. Feb. Sale price...\$3.90
COUCHES, 10 only, imitation leather and velour and tapestry coverings. Feb. Sale...\$5.90
COUCHES, 3 only, golden oak frames, tapestry coverings. Reg. \$20. Feb. Sale price...\$14.75

Tremendous Values in Carpets and Rugs at Our February Sale



The value offered in Rugs and Carpets during our February Sale should arouse the buying enthusiasm of every person who wishes to economize, from the smallest Rug to the finest Carpets, prices have been substantially reduced.

- HEARTH RUGS. Reg. \$2.50 for \$1.90.
HEARTH RUGS, in all shades and designs. Reg. price \$2.50. Feb. Sale...\$1.90
CARPET SQUARES. Reg. \$11 for \$8.75.
A beautiful Carpet Square in floral designs, in fawn shades, size 3x3 1/2 yards, just the thing for your dining room. Reg. price \$11. Feb. Sale Price...\$8.75

MORE FARMERS ARE WANTED

DOMINION ASKED TO SETTLE FRASER

Bringing Notaries With of the Machine—Session

Legislative Press Haller
The sitting of the House short but interesting. A resolution introduced and a debate on subject of the settlement of the Fraser river. The bill called upon to demand Dominion government should see to the settling up within the railway belt as Fraser. It may be thought that the provincial government sitting up nights in the to attract farmers to the rural lands which are to be opened the belt and the province generally.

Mr. Tisdal (Vancouver) following resolution: "The full address be presented to the lieutenant-governor, as called the attention of the Government to the urgent, some action being taken to better settlement of the Dominion railway belt in river valley."

Coroners' Inqu
On motion for second, Bowser's bill to provide for the payment of the cost of the coroner's inquests when thought fit to be held in the province, which was brought up, his questioning but the bill was not read.

Notaries and the Measure is the bill to amend the Act in relation to the appointment of notaries public, which was brought up, his questioning but the bill was not read.

Sale Opens Best to You

Mattresses and Springs

VEN WIRE SPRINGS, hard-wood frames, well braced. Sale price \$1.75

ONLY SPRINGS, maple frames, reg. \$2.50. Each \$1.00

\$2.90—Cotton Top Mattresses.

\$3.90—Cotton Top and Bottom Mattresses, with filled top, bottom and side.

\$4.50—Rupert Mattresses, cotton top and bottom, tufted ends.

\$5.90—Columbia All-Cottoned Mattresses.

\$7.50—Victoria All-Cottoned Mattresses.

Shes, Etc.

MOHAI, 1 only, in Mohair velvet, sh. crimson shade. Reg. \$40. Sale price \$28.75

ONLY LARGE DAVENPORT, navy mahogany frame, upholstered, green Mohair velvet, reg. \$110. Sale \$79.50

DAVENPORT BED LOUNGE, lected quarter oak frame, upholstered in No. 1 dark green leather, Reg. \$110. Sale price \$79.50

MCOCHES, 2 only, covered imitation leather, spring edge, well upholstered. Feb. Sale \$19.75

ONLY ENGLISH STYLE LOUCHES, 2 only, imitation leather, bag cushions. Feb. Sale \$19.75

MORE FARMERS ARE WANTED

DOMINION ASKED TO SETTLE FRASER VALLEY

Bringing Notaries Within Range of the Machine—Short Session

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 28. The sitting of the House to-day was short but interesting. A resolution was introduced and a debate opened on the subject of the settlement of the lands along the Fraser river. The House is being called upon to demand that the Dominion government shall get busy and see to the settling up of the lands within the railway belt adjoining the Fraser. It may be thought from this that the provincial government is itself sitting up nights in the endeavor to attract farmers to the rich agricultural lands which are to be found just outside the belt and throughout the province generally. If any energy is being displayed it is rather in the direction of securing that party friends get all the land they desire wholesale for the purpose of speculation. This aspect will no doubt receive attention when the Liberal members come to discuss the resolution.

Three of the attorney-general's bills were given a third reading and he had another to introduce, an act to establish juvenile courts. The latter follows naturally the bill to amend the act relating to force in other provinces and in some of the states, and proposes to bring into the administration of the law, so far as youthful offenders are concerned, the most up-to-date and conservative methods.

Farmers and Consumers. C. E. Tisdall (Vancouver), moved the following resolution: "That a respectful address be presented to his honor the lieutenant-governor, asking him to direct the attention of the Dominion government to the urgent necessity of some action being taken looking to the better settlement of the lands in the Dominion railway belt in the Fraser river valley."

In speaking to it he said that practically ever since the beginning of the province we had been importing a large amount of food products, and the population had got beyond production in that respect. It could not be pretended that farming in this province was a big industry as in the prairie provinces or that we could grow wheat in large quantities, but many by-products of the farm for which Vancouver was paying a large amount could be supplied from home fields if the Dominion government would look after the better settlement of the lands in the Fraser river valley. There were four things which Vancouver was a large consumer of and which could be produced on these lands to perfection: butter, cheese, poultry and eggs. Into Vancouver during the past year were drawn 62 carloads of butter, worth \$485,000; 42 carloads of cheese, worth \$113,400; and 58 carloads of eggs worth \$212,160, or products of an aggregate value of \$797,160. There were other things, among which might be mentioned evaporated apples and bacon, which would bring the total up to \$1,500,000. For the first ten years of its history Vancouver had been almost entirely fed from California, but little was coming in from that quarter now except strictly California products. The Fraser river valley could easily feed Vancouver, New Westminster and Prince Rupert until the latter had a country it could draw upon itself. For the four items he had named it could not be beaten. For dairy products what country could be superior to Chilliwack, the Delta, Langley, while the Maple Ridge from Langley and to Haney was a beautiful country of rich ranches. It should raise every pound of fruit the northwest required, pears, apples, plums, strawberries, raspberries, Australia and New Zealand could take large quantities of apples from us. What was needed was the settling up of the district.

F. J. Mackenzie (Delta), seconding the motion, said the matter was of vital importance to his constituency. There was great need of roads in many parts and the residents were not able to make and keep up expensive roads through Dominion timber lands, from which they got not a dollar of revenue. It was up to the province to come to their assistance.

A. Cawley (Chilliwack), moved the adjournment of the debate until Wednesday.

Coroners' Inquiries. On motion for second reading of Mr. Bowser's bill to provide for stenographic notes of the evidence given at inquests when thought desirable Mr. Hawthorthwaite pointed out another amendment which would be advisable. At the Extension Inquest facts were brought out in response to questioning but they do not appear in the written evidence. The member for Nanaimo considered that all evidence, by whomsoever brought to light, should go down.

The attorney-general agreed that this was only fair and proper and undertook that in future coroners were to be instructed. He could not understand the coroner's stand in the case cited.

Notaries and the Machine. An exceedingly innocent-looking measure is the bill to amend the Notaries Appointment Act. It simply changes that section 4 of chapter 145 of the revised statutes of the province which is repeated in almost every subsequent session. The section in question reads as follows:

"Any person other than a barrister who, before, duly admitted as such in this province, desirous of being appointed as a notary public, shall be subject to examination in regard to his qualification for the said office by a judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia or by the county court judge of the county court district in which he resides, or by such other person as may from time to time be appointed in that behalf by the lieutenant-governor; and no such person shall be appointed a notary public without a certificate from the said Supreme court judge or county court judge, or such other person, that he has examined the applicant and finds him qualified for the office."

"The lieutenant-governor in council may from time to time make regulations as to the manner of the examination and the judge or other person examining shall be entitled to receive from the person examined a fee of five dollars for every examination." The effect of the repeal of this is to leave these appointments in the hands of the government.

Mr. Bowser explained that it was thought better to have it that way, as it gave the government more control and would prevent the appointment of persons who were not qualified by another way not fit for the position.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite declared that the whole intention was to bring these appointments under the control of the attorney-general and make them political appointments. No complaint had ever been made that any of the gentlemen acting as notaries in the province were improper persons to hold the position. Surely the judges could be relied on to see that applicants were both fitted and fit for the position. The attorney-general was to be sole judge and arbitrator in the matter and it might go hard with an applicant who did not see eye to eye with the attorney-general. It simply meant that no person who was not endorsed by and in accord with the government need hope to get appointed as a notary.

Mr. Bowser pointed out that the very clause which it is proposed to repeal gives the government power to provide what the examination shall be, and therefore gives them all the control needed for legitimate ends. The judge who made the examination could certainly be depended upon to provide what the applicant wanted everything he should be. The member for Alberni intimated that he would like to hear some other and stronger reason for the change than had been given in the second reading.

But Mr. Bowser gave none and in the face of his silence the second reading carried perforce.

The second reading of the bill to amend the Inquest Act was taken. This bill provides for the taking of evidence under oath at all public inquests, such as that of the Forestry Commission.

C. E. Tisdall (Vancouver), introduced a bill to incorporate the Western Union Fire Insurance Company. Prayers were read to-day by Rev. W. Leslie Clay.

BOWSER FINDS A SCAPEGOAT

C. P. R. MAN SAYS HE DREW GOTOH CONTRACT

But Attorney-General Does Not Tell How Name of His Firm Came There

Legislative Press Gallery, January 28th. Attorney-General Bowser has found a scapegoat in connection with the Gotoh contract. While the contract in the office of the Registrar-General bears the name of the Attorney-General's law firm, the author of that document, strange as it may seem to those who have any knowledge of such things and of the care with which great legal firms act, is an outsider. According to the Crown's chief law officer, in a statement made in the House to-day, the contract was drawn up by one W. A. Brougham, right-of-way agent of the Canadian Pacific railway. Just before the House adjourned Mr. Bowser rose and said:

"On a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, I wish to refer to a matter that came up in a public way in the late campaign affecting my own personal honor. It is in reference to a contract signed between a Japanese company, S. Gotoh and the C.P.R. It was made quite prominent in the course of the speeches of Dancon Ross, late defeated candidate in Yale-Carlisle, and also in those of the late member for the Delta, who did not take advantage in the House to make his charges when I was here, but made them in the course of the campaign. I made several speeches in which I denied any connection of my firm in the drafting of this contract between this Japanese company and the C.P.R. Before the election I made a public statement in my own constituency which was evidently satisfactory, as evidenced by the vote I received on the 25th of November.

"After the election was over it came to my knowledge that the person who drafted this contract was the employe of the C.P.R., so it was not I who wrote W. F. Brougham, right-of-way agent of the company, as follows:

"December 6th, 1909. 'W. A. Brougham, Esq., Right-of-way Agent, C.P.R., Vancouver, B. C. 'Dear Sir:—I was informed after the late election in Vancouver that you had stated to a mutual friend of yours in your capacity as an official of the Canadian Pacific railway you had drafted the contract between the C.P.R. and M. Fuyura Company, as represented by Mr. S. Gotoh, in connection with his certain workmen in this province, and that in drafting that agreement you had used your best and oldest contract which the Fuyura Company had with the Northern Pacific railway, and that you inserted the section in reference to alien labor. I will be glad if you will let me know if this is correct, as it is only fair to me, considering the charges that were made publicly in the campaign—in which I denied that I had anything to do with drafting the agreement between your company and the Japanese firm—that you should give me this information.

"Yours truly, 'W. J. BOWSER.

"On the 24th January he sent me the following reply: 'Office of the Local Right-of-Way and Lease Agent, Vancouver, B. C. 'January 24th, 1910. '(Personal). 'Hon. W. J. Bowser, Attorney-General, Victoria, B. C. 'Re Japanese Labor Agreement. 'Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th December last. As I was leaving for California I handed your letter to Mr. Marpole and I understand he has communicated with you thereon.

"I beg to inform you that sometime during the month of October, 1904, I was employed as local right-of-way agent for the railway company, and in that capacity did a considerable amount of the company's legal work in Vancouver.

"Mr. Marpole, who was then general superintendent, instructed me to draw up an agreement with Messrs. Fuyura & Co. and the company regarding the employment of Japanese laborers on the Pacific division of the railway.

"Mr. Gotoh was then working for Fuyura & Co. and I had several interviews with him regarding the agreement in question. Mr. Gotoh handed me a form of agreement made between a Japanese firm in Seattle and one of the American lines, which I used as a precedent when drafting the agreement, but I do not think there was any clause regarding alien labor in that document. The clause in my original draft regarding alien labor was, to the best of my recollections, drafted by me personally.

"The agreement in question was renewed with Mr. Gotoh in the year 1906 the Fuyura firm having turned over its business to him. The 1906 agreement was practically copied from the 1904 agreement.

"I never had any communication with yourself or your firm in regard to either of the agreements, and I was not aware until certain statements were made recently in the newspapers that Mr. Gotoh or Fuyura & Co. were clients of your firm at that time.

"I trust this explanation will suffice.

"I have marked this letter personal, but you are at liberty to use the same for the purposes mentioned in your letter to Mr. Marpole.

"I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant, 'W. A. BROUGHAM, 'Local Right-of-way and Lease Agent."

Mr. Bowser's statement was received with applause from the Conservative benches.

The American League will open the baseball season April 1st this year.

BEF TRUST CONTROLS REFRIGERATOR CARS

Alleged Monopoly to Be Probed By a Chicago Grand Jury

Chicago, Jan. 28.—It is learned that one of the first matters to be investigated by the grand jury in connection with the beef trust will be the refrigerator car line monopoly which the packers, it is alleged, now maintain. District Attorney Sims, it is said, already has in his possession evidence tending to show that the California fruit growers chose to let their fruit rot in certain instances rather than to pay the heavy charges for being refrigerated in cars. Mr. Sims, it is understood that this phase of the operations of the beef trust has been carefully investigated in advance and that it will be brought forward as one of the most nefarious features of the alleged monopolistic methods of the packers.

It is charged that by the absolute control of refrigerator car lines, which must be used in the interstate shipment of meats and other perishable foodstuffs, the trust has been able to control the movement of these necessities.

It is also expected that the government will attempt to show that the trust through the leasing and alleged manipulation of the refrigerator cars, has obtained preferential treatment of various kinds, amounting in some instances, it is alleged, practically to rebating.

The federal grand jury yesterday dropped their investigation of the packers' alleged preferential treatment of certain big steamship lines are combinations in restraint of trade. The charges were filed by small shipowners and among the companies attacked by them are the Hamburg-American line, the White Star line and the Cunard line.

VICTORIA A NEEDS ADVERTISING

MORE LITERATURE IN AMERICAN HOTELS

W. F. Best Tells of Trip Through Cities of United States

That Victoria is not advertised sufficiently in the cities of the United States is the opinion of W. F. Best who has just returned from a tour of all the principal cities of the continent. He says that at all the principal hotels he found literature dealing with Seattle, Tacoma and all the cities of California, but nowhere can any information in regard to Victoria be seen. There is a large section of the tourists who are attracted by any new place and they eagerly read these pamphlets, and go just as fast as they can to the new place. He says that the cost of having these advertising cards kept constantly replenished is very small, and he thinks the returns would well justify the expenditure.

Mr. Best came very nearly being in a train wreck. When ready to leave Denver for Salt Lake City there was a collision of two trains which nearly took him. He chose the latter one and it was a good thing that he did so, for when the train he was on arrived at a point twenty miles this side of Denver the train which had proceeded before was found overturned, the engineer killed, and many of the passengers badly injured.

Among the interesting things Mr. Best went to see was the San Francisco Chinatown. This he characterized as the worst swindle he met anywhere. The tourists went in part of from twenty upwards and each paid the guide a dollar. The swindle was more to see than could be seen in Victoria, and the opium smoking shown was simply a fake. It was done in a room with seating capacity for twenty spectators. Near the close of the tour they were taken to a Chinese curio store, where the guide examined the cash register just as they entered, and again as they were leaving. Evidently taking note of the commission coming to him.

Being interested in the operation of ferries in the transportation of cars, Mr. Best was much interested in the operation of the ferries on the coast of the sea on the Southern Pacific when coming north. The ferry carried 20 cars and two engines, and there was very little delay in the transferring.

The Canadian train service is far superior to any Mr. Best found in the United States. He went west to Winnipeg over the C. P. R., and both the Pullman service and all the other arrangements he found far ahead of anything south of the boundary line.

Canada also excelled the United States in the matter of museums. Mr. Best visited the museum at Denver, Colorado, and while the mineral exhibit was a very excellent one, the display of natural history specimens was nothing like as fine as that at Victoria, where the animals and birds are well mounted and displayed.

The matter of climate was something which struck the traveller very forcibly. At Winnipeg the thermometer registered thirty degrees below zero, and at New York, Chicago, Salt Lake City and Denver, snow covered the ground. At the last mentioned city the ice was a foot thick and everyone in the city seemed to be afflicted with hay fever. One good thing they had done at Denver, however, and that was to abolish public drinking cups and thus destroy one of the most prolific causes of the dissemination of disease.

Mr. Best is not very much struck with the advantages of the taxicab. He had to pay a sum of 80 cents for a 20-cents ride, and the reason for it he found afterwards. Unless the rider takes particular notice he will find that his dial which registers the amount due is set forward to about 50 or 60 cents when the machine starts. A 20-cent ride thus registers 80 cents.

There are a great many people crowding the Southern California resorts and the children enjoy sea bathing. There were a great many small resorts from ten to twenty miles outside of the cities where visitors enjoyed the sea views, the sideshows and dancing at the public dancing pavilions. These places were, however, very tidy and clean.

In San Francisco the city government have just floated the bonds with which to acquire seven miles of street railways which they will operate themselves. The most satisfactory part of the plan is that these cities are block pavement covered with a layer of asphalt.

I found the hotels all full everywhere on this coast, concluded Mr. Best, a sure indication that times are good. There was not a better hotel anywhere, however, than Victoria's Empress.

HUNDREDS SLAIN IN HOLY WAR

RUSSIA SENDING TROOPS TO TURKESTAN

Commander Reports That the Situation is Beyond Control

St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—Following reports that 1,200 persons have been killed in a religious war between Mohammedans and Parsee sun worshippers, reinforcements are leaving to-day for Bokhara in Turkestan to join the Russian troops in an endeavor to suppress the conflicts.

The Russian commander reports that the situation is beyond control and urges the rushing of additional troops to the province of Bokhara. He declares that the fanatic war has spread through a portion of Afghanistan and is reported to be raging in Northern India.

Already the people of Turkestan are becoming restive over reports of massacres and looting. Civil war is threatened to the northward of Bokhara in the possession of the prime minister, who was suspected of instigating the conflict. The dismissal of that official has failed to check the war.

The foreign office here refuses to discuss the plans of Russia in connection with the movement of troops to the Indian frontier.

It is known that there may be grave questions behind the "quasi-revolt" which may bring Russia and Great Britain face to face with a problem neither nation is ready to solve at present—that of political control of sea ports on the Indian ocean. The holy war is along the right way of the new Russian railroad that is seeking an outlet on the Indian coast through Turkestan, Afghanistan and Eastichistan. The road is partially completed through the territory now ravaged by the Mohammedans and sun worshippers. It is an easy matter for Russia to change the route of the line in the troubled country on short notice.

It is known, however, that Great Britain is keeping an eye on the progress of the railway, and it is a serious matter for the government of diplomats here as to whether Britain may not protest against large bodies of Russian troops being massed so near her frontier in India.

NORTH SAANICH PUTS TEACHERS' SALARIES UP

New Board of Trustees Strikes Estimates for the Year

The newly elected board of school trustees for North Saanich municipality met Thursday. There were present Trustees J. W. Brethour, H. A. McKilloch, Samuel Fairclough and F. J. M. Norris. Miss C. E. White-Birch was absent, being at present in Ireland. J. W. Brethour was re-elected chairman and F. J. M. Norris was appointed secretary.

Trustee Fairclough moved that teachers' salaries be raised \$2.50 a month each term until the principal of East Ward school shall reach the sum of \$70 per month, and the assistant \$60 per month, and the teacher of the West Ward, the same until the salary shall reach \$70 per month. No second was found for the motion.

Trustee McKilloch moved, seconded by Trustee Norris, that the salaries of the principal and assistant teacher of East Ward school be raised \$10 each per month or to \$70 and \$60 respectively, and that the West Ward teacher receive an increase of \$5 per month, making the salary \$65, with a further increase of \$5 the beginning of next term. This was carried.

The estimates for ordinary expenditure which will be submitted to the council were as follows:

Sanitation East and West Ward schools, \$250.

Janitor East Ward schools, at \$10 per month, \$120.

Janitor West Ward school, \$40.

Laying pipe for water supply East Ward schools, \$60.

Cost of water for 12 months at \$1.50 per month, \$18.

Maps and appliances for hanging same, \$40.

Hygiene for blackboards, all schools, \$160.

Stoves, wood and insurance, \$84.60.

Additional seats, East Ward school \$150.

Repairs to buildings, fences, etc., \$209.

Ventilators, all schools, \$75.

Salary of secretary, \$20.

Incidental expenses, \$96.

Teachers' salaries, \$2,340.

Making a total of \$3,677.60.

PRODUCTION DECREASES.

Large Increase in Imports of Foodstuffs Into United States.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28.—Increase of foreign food imports and decrease of home production is shown to-day in a bulletin issued by the department of commerce and labor agent the present high prices of supplies and necessities.

The report shows that in 1909 the United States imported \$30,000,000 worth of crude foodstuffs more than it did the year before. It also showed that in 1909 the country's exports of crude foodstuffs were \$53,000,000 less than the preceding year.

The bulletin shows that the supply of beef for local consumption has been reduced in value of \$1,000,000 by the increased importation and to the value of \$3,000,000 by the increased exportation.

OFFICERS SEARCHING FOR BAND OF ROBBERS

Bandits Suspected of Killing a Man and Burning His Body

Needles, Cal., Jan. 28.—A human foot, found on the desert by Dr. D. R. Watson indicates that a horrible murder has been committed and the officers of Arizona and California started another search for the "Abn Pass" robbers, who have been terrorizing settlers along the Arizona-Mexico border.

It is believed that the murderous band has returned to this district. This belief is strengthened by the recent attack upon John Rogers, an aged man, and his two companions at Ask Fork, which resulted in Rogers' death in a hospital at Phoenix.

Rogers and his friends were set upon by the murderous thieves who, after binding the robbers, set fire to the clothing with kerosene and ignited it, because Rogers refused to tell where he had secreted his money. The human foot shows evidence of having been burned in the place of their savings. The couple and the animals and birds as the robbers met death at the hands of the desperadoes who later burned his body.

It is believed that there are twelve bandits in the band, dressed below zero, number counted when Sepiasano Virgili and his wife at Abo Pass were bound and their clothing saturated with oil when they refused to divulge the hiding place of their savings. The couple saved their lives by telling where the money was. The robber leader had a burning match in his hand when Virgili told. The thieves secured \$200.

The dissemination of disease, the desperadoes. He surrendered his money without protest.

DOCTOR RECORDS HIS OWN DEATH AGONIES

Friend Watches by Bedside While Life Slowly Ebbs Away

New York, Jan. 28.—After recording his own death agonies, noting every change in temperature and detailing causes for every spasm of pain that racked his weakened body, Dr. Nichol Collore, the specialist, lies dead at his Brooklyn home.

A week ago Dr. Collore contracted blood poisoning while operating on a woman. From a little scratch on his hand the fatal disease spread until he was compelled to take to his bed.

Realizing that his days were numbered, Dr. Collore called to his bedside Dr. Fowler, another blood specialist. To Dr. Fowler he confided his plan of keeping check upon his own fleeting sensibilities and recording every step of the disease in its fatal march.

Fowler for hours sat beside the dying man. Each twinge of pain and each involuntary muscular contortion was explained to him from the viewpoint of the sufferer, who knew he was making his last effort in behalf of the race he had lived to serve.

Dr. Collore passed away while he was trying vainly to communicate to his brother doctor some phase of the one thing that was smothering his last breath in his throat.

RECIPROCITY IN EMPIRE.

Melbourne, Jan. 28.—Addressing a farmers' conference here, Sir Robert Balfour, another blood specialist, the wheat production in order to prevent Great Britain relying upon foreign supplies. He hoped to see the inauguration of a reciprocal preferential arrangement throughout the Empire.

HAMILTON COMMISSIONER.

Hamilton, Jan. 28.—William Mullins, city editor of the Spectator, yesterday was unanimously recommended by the board of control for the position of public commissioner of Hamilton at a salary of \$2,500.

RECOMMENDS THE LASH.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 28.—Tacoma business men have raised the \$15,000 guarantee demanded by Promoter Dick Ferris for the proposed aviation meet here, an ideal site on the open prairie just south of the city having also been secured, and to-day the committee is awaiting word from Ferris as to the dates. Any date Ferris may select will be acceptable to Tacoma.

RIGHTS OF WINNIPEG STREET RAILWAY CO.

City Gains Sweeping Victory Regarding Transmission of Power

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—The decision in the case of the city vs. the street railway, was handed down by Justice Mathers yesterday, and is somewhat of a sweeping victory for the city. The court while not giving the city full relief in respect to clauses 1 and 2, set forth in the statement of claim, declares that the city is nevertheless entitled to a declaration that the street railway has no legal right to carry power into the corporation limits which is generated outside thereof, for commerce purposes. The judgment also declares that the company has no right to erect poles and wires over the streets and highways for the transmission and dispensing of such power. The court also holds that the city is entitled to an injunction preventing the company from erecting such poles and wires and further that the city is entitled to a mandatory injunction for the removal of all poles and wires now in position.

The judgment carries with it full costs, including the costs of examination for discovery. A stay of proceedings for thirty days is granted pending an appeal, and in case of an appeal an extension of the stay of proceedings at the will of the court.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 28.—Fire which broke out in the Glack Printing Company's building this morning caused a loss of \$38,000, with 200,000,000 insured. Mrs. Oulton, 80 years of age, perished before assistance reached her.

CANADIAN BANKING SYSTEM.

London, Jan. 28.—Sir Felix Schust, governor of the Union of London and Smith's Bank, at a meeting yesterday said the Canadian banking system was highly efficient and useful.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 28.—Fire to-day destroyed the plant of Hamilton & Gay Wood Working Company. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

DELICATE LITTLE BABIES.

Every delicate baby starts life with a serious handicap. Even a trivial illness in the mother is fatal to the child. The mother is kept in a state of constant dread. Baby's Own Tablets have done more than any other medicine to make sickly babies well, and to strengthen the mother's feeling of security as through their use she sees her delicate child developing healthily. Mrs. Theodore Gordon, Salem, Ont., says: "I can say with confidence that Baby's Own Tablets saved my baby's life. I did not know what it was to have a good night's rest until I started using the Tablets, but they have made him a strong, healthy child." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from Dr. Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

ROSSLAND FIREMAN DEAD.

Rossland, Jan. 27.—Malcolm McLeod, the well-known fireman, passed away at the Sisters' hospital from appendicitis. Mr. McLeod came to Rossland twelve years ago and worked in mines for eight years. Four years since he became a member of the Rossland fire department and has been associated with it ever since. He was 46 years old and a native of Montague Bridge, Prince Edward Island.

CREDIT STANDS HIGH.

London, Jan. 28.—The Bank of Montreal has closed its list for the Canadian government loan of \$20,000,000. The issue was covered by public subscriptions, and the result is regarded favourably in view of the fact that half of the new Indian loan at 9 1/2% was left with the underwriters, also seeing that Germany is about to float a 4 per cent loan at 5 1/2% whereas the Canadian loan was at 5%.

ROL OF GRAIN ELEVATORS ON LAKES

Ownership is being by Deputation at Ottawa

Jan. 28.—To a deputation regarding the Manitoba Grain Growers Association, the Dominion Mill Association and Dominion...

ERECT FINE APARTMENT HOUSE

Bowker is Advancing His Plans for Fort Street

Bowker is advancing his plans up-to-date apartment house on street which has been before...

TERN SLOPE WILL LEAVE THIS WEEK

Twelve Men and Three Mats—Blackstad Has Indian Crew

Western Slope is expected to be sailing some time this week unless any unlooked...

BESTS SITE ON THE INDIAN RESERVE FOR ARROW LAKE

Be Put in Commission Next Year

Mayor Hall Favors New Location for Proposed High School

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BEEF PRICES FALL IN NEW YORK

RETAILERS REPORT DECLINE IN DEMAND

Packers, it is Stated, Will Reduce Their Shipment of Cattle

New York, Jan. 21.—There was a widespread understanding among retail butchers here Saturday that the packers have decided to cut in their shipments of cattle to this city...

SHOOTING AFFRAY IN VANCOUVER

Suspected Member of Black Hand Wounded—Assailant in Custody

With a bullet high in his neck, just a quarter of an inch from ploughing its way into a vital spot, and another in his right arm, T. Bruno, an Italian suspect in the Mafia, is lodged in the police station charged with the crime...

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(From Monday's Daily.) An important real estate transaction was put through the local market on Saturday, when the Cowper property on Fort street, lying between the Times corner and D. E. Campbell's, was purchased by His Honor the Lieut-Governor.

PIONEER OF PROVINCE HAS PASSED AWAY

Robert S. Rendall Died at the Advanced Age of 84 Years

(From Monday's Daily.) Another pioneer of this city passed away on Saturday at the family residence, corner of Rendall and Simcoe streets, in the person of Robert Sinclair Rendall, after a lingering illness.

DEPUTATION WILL GO TO OTTAWA

Messrs Leiser and Kingham are Instructed

Board of Trade Representatives Will Leave Early Next Week

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FATAL WRECK ON ENGLISH RAILWAY

EIGHT PERSONS INSTANTLY KILLED

Thirty Others Sustain Injuries When Train Crashes Into Station

London, Jan. 31.—One of the most serious railway accidents in England since the disaster to the steamer train at Salisbury, in July, 1906, occurred at Stotts Nest station, near London, on the London & Brighton railway, Saturday afternoon.

The third-class cars were completely wrecked, and a part of the building was demolished. The Pullman was thrown violently into the air, but was comparatively little damaged.

Accounts of the cause of the accident differ. One says that it was due to the derailment of a portion of the train, which jumped the points where the branch joins the line just outside the station.

Robert J. Wynne, the former United States consul-general at London, who was in the Pullman, escaped uninjured. In describing the accident, Mr. Wynne said:

"We were passing through Stotts Nest at a rapid pace, when suddenly a part of the train jumped the rails and began to tear along the track on its side. The car in which I was seated rocked so violently that many things were smashed. The passengers were preparing to escape when the car stopped with a crash. I looked out of the window and saw a man lying dead near the wheels. I got out and helped to pull another man from a ditch. He died before a doctor arrived. We found two more dead and a woman breathing her last. The third-class cars were lying on their sides, having been thrown against the stone embankments, and were smashed to tinders."

The critically injured were taken to a local hospital, while the others were brought to London.

PLUMMER IS LEFT TO DRIFT ON ROCKS

Tug Snohomish Reported Having Tried to Tow Derelict But Failed

(From Saturday's Daily.) Last night the life-saving tug Snohomish reported to the Pacheña Dominion government wireless station that she had come south without the derelict Susie M. Plummer. Guided by the dispatch received from the tug, the Tessa she had found the wreck drifting with both anchors out. These were cut away and the hulk taken in tow, but before long the hawser broke and she drifted in towards San Josef Bay.

NEW CREW COMING FOR H. M. S. ALGERINE

Men Coming From Devonport Depot—Commission Expires March 5

Special correspondence to the Times from London says: Orders have been issued by the admiralty for a new crew to be dispatched to Esquimaux for the recommissioning of the sloop Algerine for a second spell of service on the west coast of America. The new crew will be drawn from the Devonport depot. The two years of the commission will expire on the 5th March, on which date in 1908 the Algerine was commissioned from the reserve at Hong Kong by Commander Edwin H. Edwards, and seven out of the original eight officers and warrant officers are still serving with her.

Cyril H. Benson, who was appointed navigating officer last April. The Algerine's crew numbers 108 all told.

The Algerine is at present at San Francisco and is expected to leave for Esquimaux about Monday next. The vessel will receive a thorough overhaul before being recommissioned.

NEWS CONFIRMED

Drowning of Charles H. Dunn at Rivers Inlet Found to Be Fact

The accidental drowning of Charles H. Dunn at Rivers Inlet on the 15th of December last has been confirmed. A few days after the finding of the boat on the shore of the inlet the event was reported in the Times, and this was the first intimation the friends and relatives of the deceased in this city received. They had hoped at first that the report might be incorrect, but it has been since confirmed. He was 41 years of age, a native of St. Erne, Turo, Cornwall, England.

Campbell's Great White Sale COMMENCES TO-MORROW MORNING, AT 9 O'CLOCK



CAMPBELL'S quality in Whitewear has long been one of the greatest features in dry goods sales of Victoria. We do not intend, nor do we purpose here to dwell upon that—Our one aim is to impress upon every lover of dainty, sterling quality, reliable lingerie to buy now for the future—to buy while they can at such prices. The following list meets the requirements of the very modest purse. We have, of course, higher priced Whitewear tremendously reduced.

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\$1.50 Gowns \$1.25 LADIES' GOWN of very fine cotton with all-over Swiss embroidered yoke, slip-over effect. Reg. \$1.50. Sale... \$1.25
\$1.60 Gowns \$1.40 LADIES' GOWNS of fine cambric with square yoke of embroidered insertion, hemstitched tucks. Reg. \$1.60. Sale Price... \$1.40
\$1.75 Gowns \$1.60 LADIES' GOWNS of fine cambric with square low neck of embroidery insertion, sleeves finished with one row insertion, with silk ribbon draw. Reg. \$1.75. Sale... \$1.60



- 35c Drawers 25c LADIES' DRAWERS, made of good cotton, deep flounce of lawn, finished with cluster of tucks. Reg. 35c. Sale... 25c
50c Drawers 40c LADIES' DRAWERS of fine cotton with lawn flounce, tucked and hemstitched. Reg. 50c. Sale... 40c
75c Drawers 60c LADIES' DRAWERS, made of soft cotton, finished with cluster of tucks and deep ruffle of extra good embroidery. Reg. 75c. Sale... 60c
90c Drawers 75c LADIES' DRAWERS, made of fine cotton with one row of embroidery insertion and five-inch flounce of fine embroidery. Reg. 90c. Sale... 75c
\$1.00 Drawers 85c LADIES' DRAWERS, made of fine cambric with wide embroidered frill. Reg. \$1.00. Sale... 85c

- 35c Corset Covers 25c LADIES' CORSET COVERS made of soft finish cotton, tucked, trimmed with lace and embroidery. Reg. 35c. Sale... 25c
50c Corset Covers 40c LADIES' CORSET COVER, made of fine cotton, with Val. lace insertion and edged with lace. Reg. 50c. Sale... 40c
75c Corset Covers 60c LADIES' CORSET COVER of fine cambric with yoke of fine Val. lace, neck and arms edged with lace. Reg. 75c. Sale Price... 60c
90c Corset Covers 75c LADIES' CORSET COVER, fine cambric, all-over embroidery front, neck and arms edged with lace. Reg. 90c. Sale... 75c
75c Corset Covers 60c LADIES' CORSET COVER, fine nainsook, with three rows of Torchion lace insertion with ribbon draw at neck and edged with lace. Reg. 75c. Sale... 60c

- Skirts Remarkable savings are here shown on Ladies' Skirts. We very particularly want you to note these prices—better still—see the goods, they are matchless.
\$1.00 Skirts 75c LADIES' SKIRTS of fine white cotton, with deep hemstitched lawn flounce. Reg. \$1.00. Sale... 75c
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\$1.75 Skirts \$1.25 LADIES' SKIRTS, made of fine cotton, deep lawn flounce, with cluster of tucks and finished with a deep embroidered ruffle. Reg. \$1.75. Sale... \$1.25
\$1.75 Skirts \$1.25 LADIES' SKIRTS, made of fine cambric, 18-inch lawn flounce with two rows of lace insertion and edged with lace, also dust frill. Reg. \$1.75. Sale... \$1.25

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FARMERS GATHER TO DISCUSS WORK

Central Institute Opens Tomorrow—Other Meetings For Week

(From Monday's Daily.) To-morrow and Wednesday the Central Farmers' Institute will hold three sessions a day, and on Thursday the British Columbia Dairymen's Association will hold sessions.

Friday will be devoted to discussions by the Stockbreeders' Association, and they will also give a banquet. Saturday the Fruitgrowers' Association will foregather in the Women's building at the fair grounds.

During the week the Hazlewood milking machine will be in operation in the Machinery building every evening at 5 o'clock. Bishop & Clark will have some cows there, from which the machine will extract the milk without the use of the milkman's hands.

NEW OFFICERS

Summerland, Jan. 28.—At the annual meeting of the board of trade, officers were elected as follows: President, R. H. Agur; vice-president, James Ritchie; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Cordly; council, Messrs. A. Stark, E. B. May, R. Clouston, R. H. English, J. L. Logie, H. C. Mellor.

The best methods of advertising the district were discussed and several suggestions made which will doubtless be taken up in the sessions of the council and put into operation.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

(Special Correspondence.) Duncan, Jan. 28.—Nominations for members of the board of school trustees of North Cowichan will be received at the council chamber, Duncan, on February 7th. The election will take place on the following Saturday. Four vacancies are to be filled.

TENDERS AWARDED FOR Y. M. C. A. HOME

Contracts Let for Excavating and Removing Buildings on Site

At the meeting of the building committee of the Y.M.C.A. held Friday in the association rooms, the tenders for the removing of houses on the site where the new building is to be erected, and for the excavation work were opened and the contracts awarded.

Active preparations are now being made by the committee to have the building rushed to completion. It is expected that the erection of the new home for the Y.M.C.A. to replace the inadequate quarters now occupied, will take some eight or nine months.

All tenants have been notified that their time expires on February 3rd, and that they will have to find other places by that date. As soon as all are out of the work of removing the houses will be commenced. When these are off the excavation work will be started. This will occupy about a month's time. The property has a frontage of 70 feet on Blanchard street and 120 feet on View street.

Tenders for the erection of the building are now being called for and have to be in by February 8th. A meeting of the committee will then be called for the purpose of considering them. The contract will be awarded in time to allow the successful contractor to get his material on the grounds so as to commence immediately after the excavation work is finished.

Those present at the meeting were: R. L. Drury (chairman), E. W. Whittington, W. A. Gleason, A. J. Brace and H. S. Griffiths.

Ella Gingles, the Irish lacemaker, whose case was the sensation of Chicago last summer, has been married in Lame, Ireland.

FORTNIGHTLY PAYDAY FOR WAGE WORKERS

Resolutions Adopted at Convention of Miners at Trail

Trail, Jan. 28.—The twelfth annual convention of the District Association, No. 6 Western Federation of Miners, was held in Miners' Union hall.

The report of the president and secretary-treasurer showed a great increase in membership and a sound financial condition.

The following resolutions, framed up by the legislative committee, were ordered to be sent to every member of the provincial legislature, as follows:

"That the Workmen's Compensation Act be amended to force employers to pay a lump sum in case of permanent injury to employees, the same to be not less than \$1,200, and further that the secretary be instructed to forward to Hawthornthwaite and Williams a copy of L. P. Eckstein's letter showing the defects of the Workmen's Compensation Act."

"An amendment to the Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act, granting all employees an eight-hour day who are working in glory holes, quarries or any opening in which ore rock or where mineral is being extracted in carrying on mining operations; also that a day's work be reckoned from the time a workman enters the mine until his return to the entrance."

"A thorough inspection of all camps in connection with mining, smelting, lumbering, railroad construction and other industries, with a view to secure better sanitary conditions and pure water for domestic purposes."

"Fortnightly payday for all wage workers in the province."

"Eight hours for all persons employed in stamp mills, concentrators and rock crushers."

"We would also suggest that the Socialist members continue to impress parliament with the necessity of passing legislation allowing a pension to all workmen who are disabled in the industries of the province."

The officers for the coming year are as follows: President, George Heatherston of Greenwood, No. 22; vice-president, Charles Bunting of Nelson, No. 96; second vice-president, James Roberts of Moyie, No. 71; secretary, treasurer, A. Shilland of Sandon, No. 8. The next annual convention will be held in Nelson.

CHILLIWACK AND HOSPITAL GRANT

Council Rescinds Motion to Donate \$500—Solicitor to Be Consulted

Chilliwack, Jan. 28.—The new council started out their first meeting with a division on the first question of importance that came up for their disposal. The question came up from a request of L. W. Paisley, president of the hospital board, for a grant to the proposed hospital. Mr. Paisley, who had asked for the grant, stated it was his intention to visit the government at Victoria and ask them for assistance. It would very much strengthen his claim if he had something to show the government that the people of Chilliwack were serious in their endeavor to have an hospital established. The townsfolk council had been liberal enough to promise them a grant of \$500 and he thought that as a former council of the city had recommended a grant of \$500 it would not be expecting too much to expect a like grant from the city council.

Aldermen Rowat, Boucher and Ashwell were in favor of giving the grant and spoke in its favor. A motion was then put before the board, giving the grant of \$500 and carried. Then the legality of making grants to hospitals situated outside the city limits came up and the motion was rescinded, it being thought safe to consult the city solicitor on that point.

WEDDED AT DUNCAN

(Special Correspondence.) Duncan, Jan. 28.—A quiet wedding was solemnized yesterday at the home of Mr. R. H. Whidden when his second daughter, Miss Hattie Mabel, was united in marriage to Mr. James Alfred Owen, of the firm of Clarke & Ives, Prince Rupert. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Dickinson, pastor of the Methodist church of Duncan, in the presence of the immediate relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Owen took the morning train and will spend a week or two in Vancouver before leaving for their home in Prince Rupert.

BISHOP DEAD

Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—Bishop Cyril D. Foss, retired, of the Methodist Episcopal church, one of the best known clergymen in the country, died Saturday night at the Hahnemann hospital from paralysis.

In the Russian army the death rate each year is almost equalled by the number of desertions.

NORTH SAANICH HAS TWO CONS Council of the Municipality Deals With Affairs District

The North Saanich municipality met in the court house at Tuesday, A. J. McConaughy presided, with Councillors Ego and Hewitt also present.

Before considering the report for two constables to be appointed in the municipality, Hewitt remarked that in the system decided upon at the meeting would not work fully and moved that the bill over until the return of No. 3200 was received.

A. R. Kierstead received a constable for Sidney and an orn portion of the district. J. W. Norris for the western.

W. G. Cumming will receive his salary as health officer acting in an advisory capacity, board of health will visit regularly and report to the when necessary.

Councillor Brethour introduced a bill to place a tax on dogs, advanced through its several will come up for final consideration at the next meeting.

A number of minor reports were next decided upon, road which has heretofore been drained into the sea.

Councillor Brethour moved by Councillor Ego that he should work instructions by road foreman in writing, in of emergency. This carried.

Councillor Hewitt moved that the appointed assessor be received for the assessor. There was no second.

It was moved by Councillor Ego that the clerk be appointed assessor for the present year and that his clerk be raised \$3 per month moved in amendment by Hewitt that the clerk receive \$15 for assessor and that be granted in salary. The was not seconded and the carried.

The council, upon motion of Ego and Brethour, decided Second street, Sidney, Ego avenue south to the south of the townsite, and from J. G. Billing's house to the southern boundary, street north to the school, be done as soon as possible.

The health officer presided over the meeting, drawing up by-law and in premises of Chung Lee Long, laid on the table until next the council.

The assessor will be asked the assessment roll to be the 10th of March.

NEW ENGINES GOING TO JORDAN

Michigan Pacific Company Materially Increases Output of Limits

The Michigan Pacific Lumber Company are making preparations to materially increase the output of the coming summer. They are sending two new double locomotives to the camp as forty sets of logging, this increase they will double their capacity, raising 100,000 feet a day to from 50,000 feet.

The logs obtained from river limits are sold as they out, some being purchased by the Sound Pacific Company. The Sayward mill going to Sidney and other new owners of the Sayward mill part of their logs from river limits.

LIFE'S OUTLOOK FOR YOU

Nature Makes Demands on Them Which Only Sars Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Supply.

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W. G. Cumming will receive a regular salary as health officer and besides acting in an advisory capacity to the reeve, he will visit the schools regularly and report to the school board when necessary.

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The council, upon motion of Councillors Ego and Brethour decided to grade Second street, Sidney, from a Bazan avenue south to the southern boundary of the townsite, and third street from J. C. Billings' residence south to the southern boundary, and Fourth street north to the school, the same to be done as soon as weather permits.

The health officer presented an account for \$15 for work done last year, drawing up by-law and inspecting the premises along the Jordan river during the coming summer. Just now there are sending two new donkey engines and a locomotive to the camp, as well as forty sets of logging trucks. With this increase they will be able to double their capacity, raising it from 100,000 feet a day to from \$200,000 to 250,000 feet.

The logs obtained from the Jordan river limits are sold as they are taken out, some being purchased by the Puget Sound Pacific Company, which hauls the Saylor mills, and others going to Sidney and other points. The new owners of the Saylor mills obtain part of their logs from the Powell river limits.

ONLY MEDICINE THAT DID ANY GOOD

After Suffering Tortures for Years, This Lady Found Happy Relief in "Fruit-a-tives."

"Frankville, Ont., June 11th, 1908.

"I have received most wonderful benefit from taking "Fruit-a-tives." I suffered for years from headaches and pain in the back, and I consulted doctor and took every remedy obtainable without any relief. Then I began taking "Fruit-a-tives" and this was the only medicine that ever did me any real good. I took several boxes altogether, and now I am entirely well of all my dreadful headaches and backaches.

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"Fruit-a-tives" are sold by all dealers at 5c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, or trial box 25c.—or sent post-paid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

PARENTAL SCHOOLS FOR THE INCORRIGIBLE

Minister of Education Proposes Amendment to the School Act

An important amendment to the Public School Act, which was considered by the Conservative members in caucus Friday and approved, proposes to deal with the serious and worrying problem of the truant and incorrigible. The bill, to be brought down by Hon. Dr. Young shortly will contain a section establishing what are to be known as parental schools, in the following terms:

"The school authorities of any city school district may establish schools, or set apart separate rooms in public school buildings for children between seven and sixteen years of age who are habitual or incorrigible truants from school or who are lawfully required to attend, or who are subordinate or disorderly during their attendance upon such instruction or irregular in such attendance. Such school or room shall be known as a Parental school, but no person convicted of crimes or misdemeanors other than truancy shall be committed there to."

"Such authorities may provide for the confinement, maintenance and instruction of such children in such schools, and they, or the person authorized by them in any city school district may, after a reasonable notice to any such child and the person in parental relation to such child, and an opportunity given to be heard, and with the consent in writing of the person in parental relation to any such child, order such rules and regulations as such authorities may prescribe for a period not exceeding two years; but in no case shall a child be so confined after he is sixteen years of age.

"And if the persons in parental relation to such child shall not consent to either such order, such conduct of the child shall be deemed disorderly conduct and the child may be proceeded against before a magistrate or justice of the peace as a disorderly person, and upon conviction thereof, if the child, was lawfully required to attend such school, the child shall be sentenced to be confined and maintained in such Parental school for a period not exceeding two years. Such confinement shall be conducted with a view to the improvement and to the restoration, as soon as practicable, of such child to the institution elsewhere upon which he may be lawfully required to attend.

"The authorities committing any such child, or the superintendent of schools in any city where the child is, shall have the authority in their or his discretion to parole at any time any truant so committed. Every child suspended from attendance upon instruction by the authorities in charge of furnishing such instruction for more than one week, shall be required to attend such Parental school during the period of such suspension. The school authorities of any city school district not having a Parental school may contract with any other city having a Parental school, for the confinement, maintenance and instruction therein of children whom such school authorities might require to attend a Parental school, if these were one in their own city or district."

NEW COAL MINE AT QUATSINO

TEES BRINGS WORD OF EIGHT FOOT SEAM

Tunnel 500 Feet Long Enters a Splendid Bed of Fuel

Coal mines on west coast of Vancouver Island are among the latest developments. For a long time the Quatsino Coal Company has been doing some quiet prospecting work on the west arm of Quatsino Sound, not far from Heiberg. There was an outcrop of coal at that point which looked as if it proved of some value, with the result that a company was formed to prospect it. They commenced driving a tunnel into the side of the mountain, but unfortunately the seam was badly broken and gave little encouragement to continue the work. The work was continued, however, until to-day it has reached the mountain to a distance of 500 feet. The faith of the prospectors has now been rewarded, for they have found a fine vein of coal, eight feet thick, which has been followed for a good distance without a break. This is the news brought by the steamer Tees which arrived Friday night.

The future of Quatsino now seems to be assured. There are valuable iron deposits in the neighborhood, and there is a large pulp concession which has recently changed hands, and to handle which will require the erection of a pulp and paper mill. The sawmill has already been erected, and although it is not being worked now that the affairs of the owners are in statu quo, will again be buzzing in the near future.

Application is now being made in the legislature for a charter to allow of the construction of a line of railway from Hardy Bay to Quatsino Sound. This indicates that the value of the country has been recognized by capitalists and those engaged in promoting works of development.

Hitherto all the coal mines on the island have been located on the east coast. The recent extensions have been on the same side of the island, but there have been numerous rumors that the west coast is just as rich as the east. Mike King, not very long ago, with the aid of a swash from the west coast, located and struck out some coal lands on the Esperanza peninsula, the outcroppings of which look very promising. There are other points where there seem to be good outcroppings which will undoubtedly induce prospectors to venture on some development work.

J. J. WALSH PASSED AWAY FRIDAY NIGHT

Well Known Citizen of Victoria Died at Royal Jubilee Hospital

There passed away Friday at the Royal Jubilee hospital, a well known resident of this city in the person of John James Walsh. Deceased was born in Ireland 61 years ago, and came to this city in 1877. For the past three years the late Mr. Walsh has been suffering, but not until a few days ago was it found necessary to remove him to the hospital owing to a change for the worse in his illness.

Before coming to this city he was a guardian of the peace at New York, being on the police force there for some time. After his arrival here he acted as a police officer. He, however, retired from the force and entered into partnership with his brother, Isaac Walsh, in the truck and dray business. He remained in the firm for some time, but three years ago was forced to retire as a result of ill-health.

News of his death will be received with sad regrets by his large circle of friends. A wife and brother residing in this city survive the deceased, besides numerous other relatives who live in the province.

For many years the late Mr. Walsh has been a valued member of Victoria Lodge, I. O. F., and True Blue Lodge, L. O. L. The members of both lodges are expected to attend the funeral in a body.

SUNLIGHT SOAP

ALL OVER THE WORLD thousands of households use Sunlight Soap in preference to any other, because it cleanses the clothes more thoroughly, and at half the cost without injury to hands or fabric. Follow directions.

TERRIFIC STORM RAGES AT JUNEAU

Several Wharves Badly Damaged—People Are Leaving Homes

Juneau, Alaska, Jan. 28.—The business section of Juneau is being battered and pieces to-day by the worst storm in the history of the town.

Most of the business buildings are built on piling along the waterfront and several of the wharves have been badly damaged.

The steamship Meteor, loaded with powder and dynamite, is moored at the waterfront and is being battered and cannot get away, so fierce is the storm. The vessel is being battered against the wharf.

The revenue cutter Rush has been forced to the channel in search of safety and the cables near Douglas is tossing dangerously near Douglas.

Scores of gasoline boats and many bathhouses have been battered to pieces, and the bay is full of timber and wreckage.

The wind is increasing in strength and is accompanied by a blinding snow. Many persons have abandoned their homes and taken refuge on the high bluffs back of the town.

CHAUFFEUR ACCUSED OF ATTEMPTED MURDER

Old Man is Knocked Down by Auto-Containing Party of "Joy Riders"

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 28.—By the arrest yesterday of Clayton Frago, the man downed by a taxicab Tuesday morning, the police secured the fourth member of the party of "Joy riders" who, after knocking the aged laborer from the road, tried to rush him to a hospital; but according to his story, deliberately tried to crush his life out by backing the heavy touring car over his prostrate body a second time.

Frigo was charged with attempted murder and his bail fixed at \$5,000.

The two girls of the party, Jessie Moore and Helen Brooks, together with Guy Martin, were arrested Wednesday, following a clue obtained by chance. The girls at first maintained that they knew nothing of the party, but soon weakened and told the whole story. The other men, whose names are not known, were members of the party, but one of them had left his automobile after the accident occurred.

The party had spent the night at a roadside near American Lake, twelve miles south of the city, and Martin claims that he accompanied them as a "taxi" driver. He had been playing music at the roadside. At the place a disagreement came up and one of the men in the party left in the automobile which conveyed the party out. The other members then telephoned to the police and Frago went out to bring them in. On the way in the girls say they went to sleep and knew nothing until the taxicab came to crush the man. Then they heard his agonized groans and felt the wheels crush his chest as they passed over him. Miss Moore says she pleaded with Frago to carry the man to the hospital, but he refused to do so. He didn't know they ran over Menard twice, but he says as they backed in order to turn around the wheels might have struck the man a second time.

OLD COUNTRY ELECTIONS.

London, Jan. 28.—The results of the following additional elections, held yesterday, were announced to-day:

Warksworth, Derbyshire.

Kerry, Unionist, 5,974; Hammer, Liberal, No change.

Hexham, Northumberland.

Holt, Liberal, 5,478; Bates, Unionist, 4,417. No change.

Oldbury, Worcestershire.

Wilson, Liberal, 8,372; Campin, Unionist, 7,954. No change.

Barnstaple, Devonshire.

Soares, Liberal, 6,296; Borrice, Unionist, 5,354. No change.

Poole, Dorsetshire.

Guest, Liberal, 6,877; Nicholson, Unionist, 6,331. No change.

Watford, Hertfordshire.

Ward, Unionist, 8,782; Michie, Liberal, 7,231. No change.

DOUBLE TAILED COMET.

Tuscan, Ariz., Jan. 28.—Professor E. A. Douglas, formerly in charge of the observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., said to-day that the vagrant comet "A. 1910" is a double tailed celestial phenomenon.

Professor Douglas says he notes that a second tail branches due south, which he first appendage pointed exactly opposite.

Last night, he said, the two tails forked at a greater distance from the head. He estimated the length of the second tail at 28 degrees.

—A meeting of the Daughters of Pity will be held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Royal Jubilee hospital. All members are urgently requested to be present.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE DOMINION

Government Will Appoint Royal Committee to Investigate

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—In the Commons this afternoon Hon. Mackenzie King will announce that the government had decided to appoint a royal commission to make an extensive and thorough investigation into needs of Canada in respect to technical education and to report on ways and means by which these needs may best be met. Hon. Mr. King will read letters from all the provincial premiers endorsing the proposal and declaring that it would not be regarded as any invasion of provincial rights in respect to education.

LIBERAL NOMINATED.

Portage La Prairie, Man., Jan. 28.—A convention of Liberals held here yesterday, C. D. McPherson, editor of the Daily Graphic and Weekly Review, was nominated to contest Lakeside for the Provincial Legislature.

READY TO VACATE MARKET BUILDING

VICTORIA & SIDNEY WAITING ON COUNCIL

Payment of Legal Fees Are Responsible for an Annoying Delay

Just as soon as the city completes the agreement with the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company relative to the use of that part of Blanchard street which the company requires for trackage purposes, the market building will be vacated and the station removed to the thoroughfare mentioned. F. W. Van Sant, local manager of the company, said to the Times Saturday that the company is waiting for the City Council to pass the final by-law necessary to give effect to the agreement.

The delay in passing this by-law is due to a dispute relative to the legal effect of the agreement. The city solicitors and barristers rendered a bill for \$500, and the council felt that as the company benefited by the arrangement which has been entered into it should pay this amount. The company in reply to requests for a settlement says that as soon as the by-law giving effect to the agreement has been passed the money for legal costs will be forthcoming.

That an early settlement is desirable in the interests of Victoria will be understood when it is stated that the company proposes to almost immediately improve the train service to Sidney. It is understood that three trains will be run each day—morning, noon and evening—thus making it possible for many non-resident in the city to live outside the city limits if they choose, and bringing the Saanich districts in closer touch with the city. The evening train would leave the city at a time which would prove most convenient for business men.

The inauguration of the improved service is expected to popularize Saanich as a place for summer residences for Victorians, this fact contributing also to an enhanced value for real estate in that section of the island. Of course with the extension of the train lines to Saanich the transportation service will be of incalculable value in aiding in the settlement of that section, but it is not anticipated that such service will be inaugurated for a year. On the other hand only a few months need elapse before the better service could be given on the Victoria & Sidney railway.

Believed to Have Ended Their Lives by Taking Poison

Newton, Ia., Jan. 28.—The Jasper county coroner has received word from Monroe, a village nine miles from this city, that Vernon Barr, aged 15, and Link Ammer, aged 14, were found sitting side by side, their heads collapsed, on a road about a mile from the village by a country roadside. Lying beneath their feet in the box of the buggy was a tin cup in which were a few drops of a mixture a physician declared was strychnine.

Young Barr and the little girl were advanced that they executed a ghostly suicide pact because the parents had declared they were too young to be married.

The bodies were found by a neighbor who discovered the horse wandering the road, the reins dragging on the frozen ground. The father of both children are well-to-do farmers who live near Monroe.

LOCAL PASSENGERS.

Moana Taking Many Passengers to Australia and Isles of Pacific.

When the Union Steamship Company's liner Moana leaves for the South this evening she will take about twenty passengers from this port, as well as a large number that joined her at Vancouver. Some of the passengers have come North from San Francisco and Puget Sound. The following are local people who are going on her: Dr. W. Scott Whittier, Miss A. B. Van Cresson, Miss Kathleen Kitchin and John Woodward, all going to Sydney, Australia; and E. E. Wootton, who is going to Honolulu.

SIX CHILDREN INJURED.

'Bus in Which They Were Riding to School is Demolished by Train.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 28.—Six little children were seriously injured to-day when the bus in which they were riding to school was run down by a Lake Shore railway passenger train which demolished. The injured, with the driver, who was also hurt, were taken to a hospital.

The bus was ground into bits, the wheels being picked up more than 100 feet from the spot where the accident occurred. One of the horses which drew it was killed.

DESPONDENT MAN ENDS LIFE.

Toronto, Jan. 28.—Out of work for almost three months Thomas Miller, a boiler-maker, 41 years old, committed suicide. He was married and leaves nine children.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Halifax, Jan. 27.—As a result of the recent disturbances at Glouce Bay seven of the strikers were tried before the stipendiary magistrate, Rheaun to-day and committed to the Supreme court, charged with unlawful assembly.

CHIEF ORDNANCE OFFICER.

Toronto, Jan. 28.—Major J. F. MacDonald, senior ordnance officer at Toronto, has been promoted to the position of principal ordnance officer with headquarters at Ottawa. The place of Major MacDonald is filled by the promotion of Lieut.-Col. Scott, D. S. O., who was loaned by the Imperial authorities to the Canadian service and whose time has expired. He returns to England.

TRADE IMPROVES.

New York, Jan. 28.—Bradstreet's state of trade says in the eastern part of Canada reasonable weather has benefited trade. Collections are only fair. City retail trade is quiet. Canadian business failures number 44, which compares with 40 for last week, and 42 for the corresponding week last year.

CHARGE DISMISSED.

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Magistrate O'Keefe has dismissed the second of the charges against Major de la Ronde of irregularities in connection with the pay lists of the Army Service Corps during the Quebec Tercentenary celebration. The evidence was insufficient, the magistrate declared, to support the specific charges.

LEVER BROTHERS, Toronto, will send you free a cake of their famous Plantoi toilet soap, if you mention this paper.

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Also Printed Ducks, Flannelettes, Gingham, Choice Patterns, Lowest Prices

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Wholesale Drygoods, Victoria, B. C.

BRIEF LOCALS

—The regular practice of the First Presbyterian church choir will not be held this evening on account of the evangelistic services, now being held by Mr. Gale and Mr. Collison.

—The Court of Appeal Thursday afternoon reserved decision in the case of Arbuthnot vs. the City of Victoria. There were no new points set out in the argument of counsel—W. J. Taylor, K. C., representing the city, and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., for Mr. Arbuthnot.

—Orders have been received from Ottawa for a school of instruction for officers of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., to commence on February 7th, at the drill hall, as announced in a dispatch to the Times some days ago. The course is expected to take about four weeks.

—The funeral of the late Edward Chandler took place Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the funeral chapel, Yates street, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. There was a large number of friends present and many floral offerings covered the casket. The following acted as pallbearers: W. Jarman, J. J. Findlay, C. Athom and W. Lorimer.

—At their annual meeting the following board of management for 1910 was elected by the corporation of British Columbia Land Surveyors: President, W. S. Drewry; Vice-president, T. S. Gore, Victoria; secretary, treasurer, S. A. Roberts, Victoria; board members, E. B. Hermon, Vancouver; E. A. Cleveland, Vancouver; J. H. McGregor, Victoria; G. H. Dawson, Vancouver, and J. H. Gray, Victoria.

—John Jardine has given notice of a motion he intends to move at the next opportunity in regard to the recent appointment of a provincial assessor in succession to J. K. Worsfold. His object in doing so is to draw attention to the manner in which the government is already going back on its own Civil Service Act. It was understood that one of the results of this legislation would be to do away with politics in the appointment of officials and provide for the promotion of those in the service to the higher positions as they offered.

FORM NO. 11. LAND ACT. FORM OF NOTICE.

Range 1, Coast Land District.

Take notice that Murray C. Potts of Cranford Island, occupation, rancher, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the shore near the westerly end of Felix Bay, Call Creek, thence running easterly 30 chains along shore line, thence to point of commencement. Located Nov. 26th, 1909.

MURRAY CLARKE POTTS.

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GILBERT OSWALD SMITH.

December 20th, 1909.

THE DOCTOR: "Ah! yes, restless and feverish. Give him a Steadman's Powder and he will soon be all right!"

Steadman's Soothing Powders

CONTAIN NO POISON

—The annual meeting of the Canadian Club for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of general business will be held on Wednesday evening next at the city hall. It is important that there should be a full attendance of members.

—The Victoria Nurses' Club will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday afternoon next at 3:30 o'clock at the rooms of the Alexander Club. Government street. As some urgent business will come up for consideration, it is hoped that there will be a full attendance of members.

—Far West Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., gave a delightful dance at Broad street hall on Friday. The attendance was large and the members of the order and their many friends spent a delightful evening. Among the distinguished visitors present was Grand Chancellor R. A. Townley, of Vancouver. During the evening a buffet supper was served. The music for the dance was furnished by the Dresser orchestra, and was all that could be desired.

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Architects

C. ELWOOD WATKINS, architect, Room 107, Five Sisters' Block. Telephone 2188 and 2189.
L. W. HARGREAVES, Architect, Room 202, Broadway, Broad St. 1414.
H. S. GRIFFITH, 14 Promts Block, 1004 Government street. Phone 1483.

Bookkeeping

VICTORIA SCHOOL OF BOOKKEEPING, 102 Douglas street. Pupils received of visited day or evening. Special attention to cases of neglected education. Old or young can attend. Strictly private. O. Benz, Jr., principal.

Business College

VICTORIA BUSINESS COLLEGE-PITKIN'S shorthand, touch typewriting, bookkeeping, etc. unlimited dictation, graph, new premises, specially adapted to cases of neglected education. Evening classes start Jan. 27. Course 10 in advance, or \$12.50 monthly. Apply Principal, 1122 Government street, opposite Hibben's.

Dentists

DR. LEWIS HALL, Dental Surgeon, Jewell Block, cor. Yates and Douglas streets. Victoria, B. C. Telephone-Office, 527; Residence, 122.

Land Surveyors

THOS. H. PARR, British Columbia land surveyor, Room 5 Five Sisters' Block, Victoria.
T. S. GORE and J. M. MCGREGOR, British Columbia Land Surveyors, Chambers and Exchange Court Agents, practice in Patent Office and before Railway Commission. Hon. Charles Murphy, M.P., Harold Fisher, Austin G. Ross, Ottawa, Ont.

Legal

C. W. BRADSHAW, Barrister, etc., Law Chambers, Bastion street, Victoria.
MURPHY & FISHER, Barristers, Solicitors, etc., Supreme and Exchange Court Agents, practice in Patent Office and before Railway Commission. Hon. Charles Murphy, M.P., Harold Fisher, Austin G. Ross, Ottawa, Ont.

Medical Massage

MR. BERGSTROM BJORNFELT, Swedish Masseuse, Turkish bath, 821 Fort street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 1884.
MR. EARSMAN, Electric Light baths; medical massage, 108 Fort St. Phone 1895.

Nursing

MISS E. H. JONES, 721 Vancouver St. M.R.I.

Piano Tuning

C. COX, Piano and Organ Tuner, Quadra street, Telephone 331.

Shorthand

NORTHERN SCHOOL, 1109 Broad St. Shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping, etc. thoroughly taught. E. A. Macmillan, principal.

Titles, Conveyances, Etc.

NOTICE-We draw up agreements, mortgages, conveyances and search titles at reasonable rates. Let us quote you on your fire insurance. The Griffith Co., Mahon Bldg., City.

Wood Carving

C. J. BROWN, teacher of wood carving, "The Nest," Herward street, Victoria (West).

Lodges

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F. meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas street, and 4th Westward. Rec. Sec., 237 Government street.

COURT CARIBOO, No. 743, I. O. F. meets on second and fourth Monday of each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets. Visiting Foresters welcomed. Fin. Sec., L. W. Evans, P. O. Box 510; J. W. H. King, R. Sec., 1361 Pandora street.

K. OF P.-No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora streets, P. O. Box 510; J. W. H. King, R. Sec., 1361 Pandora street.

VICTORIA, No. H. K. of P. meets at K. of P. Hall, every Thursday, D. S. Mowat, K. of P., R. Sec. Box 184.

A. O. F. COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 3535, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad street, and 4th Westward, W. F. Fullerton, Secy.

TENDERS

January 31st, 1910, for extra work (more or less) of masonry on the water tank, at the City of Victoria. It is described in the specifications attached to the contract and part of Section 12 of the contract and also in the specifications attached to the contract and part of Section 12 of the contract and also in the specifications attached to the contract and part of Section 12 of the contract.

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Of their COGNAC BRANDIES offered to a first-class firm of Wine and Spirit Importers by a world-renowned manufacturer and shippers in COGNAC, France. Many awards, among which the Grand Award at Seattle Exhibition, 1909. Most liberal terms and conditions. Apply to J. F. Foster Restano, Cognac, France.

PHONE 97 FOR YOUR Wood and Coal R. DAVERNE

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Art Glass

A. F. ROY'S ART GLASS LEADED LIGHTS, ETC., for churches, schools, public buildings and private dwellings. Plain and fancy glass sold. Specialized in stained glass. This is the only firm in Victoria that manufactures steel-cored lead for leaded glass. Works and store, 348 Yates street. Phone 234.

S. W. CHISHOLM & CO., workers in ecclesiastical and domestic leaded glass and all kinds of ornamental glass for churches, residences and public buildings; designs and estimates furnished on application. 1223 Langley street. Phone 234.

Blasting Rock

ROCK BLASTING and well sinking. R. Hoseness, 2321 Cedar Hill road, City. 34

Blue Printing and Maps

NOTICE-O. Zarelli and J. Paul, contractors for blue printing. Apply 1243 South Pandora. Phone No. 2145.

Boat Building

VICTORIA BOAT & ENGINE COMPANY, LTD., boat and launch builders. Boat building material for amateurs, repairs, engines installed, etc. Estimates and specifications furnished. R. Buck, mgr., 424 David St. Phone 305.

Boot and Shoe Repairing

NO MATTER where you bought your shoes, bring them here to be repaired. HIBBEN'S, 1023 Caladonia Ave., opposite Patenge's Theatre.

Builders & General Contractors

CARPENTRY-Jobbing, roof repairing, receive prompt attention. T. J. Lothian, 2652 First street, Phone 1291, die
W. DUNFORD & SON, Contractors and Builders. Plans, specifications and estimates. 618 Yates St. Phone 2162.
CAPITAL CARPENTER AND JOINING FACTORY-Alfred Jones. All kinds of alterations, 409 Yates St. Office phone 2511; Res. 3479.

Plumbing and Heating

A. J. McCRIMMON, Contractor and Builder. Takes entire charge of every detail of building. High-class work. Reasonable prices. 639 Johnson St. Phone 628.

Pottery Ware, Etc.

SEWER PIPE, Field Tile, Ground Fire Clay, Flower Pots, etc. B. C. Pottery Co., Ltd., 601 Richards Ave., Victoria, B. C.

Scavenging

JOHN PRIOR, Scavenger. Leave orders at Empire Cigar Store, 1413 Douglas street, Phone 22.

Second-Hand Goods

SECOND-HAND CLOTHING and jewelry bought and sold. We pay good prices from Store street.

Cleaning and Tailoring Works

GENTS' CLOTHES CLEANED, repaired, dyed and pressed; umbrellas and rain coats made, repaired and re-covered. East side of Douglas. Phone 13267.

Dyeing and Cleaning

NOTICE-Owing to increasing business, we have removed to larger and more convenient premises, No. 2016 Douglas street, between Discovery and Pender streets. Paisley Cleaning Works.

Japanese Dye Works

B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS-The largest dyeing and cleaning works in the Province. Clean, bright, solid dyes. Tel. 200; J. C. Renfrew, proprietor.

PAULS DYEING AND CLEANING WORKS, 120 Fort Street, Tel. 624.

JAPANESE DYE WORKS, 1725 Government Street, Phone 2066.

Employment Agencies

THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, MRS. P. K. TURNER, 668 (60) Fort St. Hours 10 to 6. Phone 1532.
WING ON, 1709 Government, Phone 23.

Gravel

H. C. SAND & GRAVEL CO., foot Johnson street, Tel. 1538. Producers of washed and graded sand and gravel, best for concrete work of all kinds, delivered by team in the city, or on scoops at pit, on Royal Bay.

Engravers

GENERAL ENGRAVER, Stenell Cutter and Seal Engraver, Geo. Crowther, 516 Wharf street, behind Post Office.

Machinists

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street, Tel. 330.

Ladies' Dresses

JUN LEE & CO., manufacturers of and dealers in dry goods, ladies' silk and cotton underwear. Dresses made to order. Call for prices. 1594 Douglas (late 1413 Blanchard).

Fish

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Hotels and Restaurants

WINDSOR CAFE-Under new management. Best 25c dinner in city, from 11:30 to 3 p. m. Meal tickets, 45c. 535 Government street, opp. Post Office. F. V. Harrison, Prop.

Junk

WANTED-Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, scales, and all kinds of bottles and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 1620 Store street. Phone 1332.

Landscape Gardener

E. J. LAING, Landscape and Jobbing Gardener. Free estimates and spraying, especially. Residence, 1029 Pandora Ave. Office, 1047, Office, Wilkeson & Brown's Greenhouse, corner Cook and Fort streets.

Merchant Tailors

FRASER & MORRISON, successors to J. McCurrah. Highest grade of serges and worsteds. Custom tailoring. Pioneer Building, over P. R. Brown, 1135 Broad St., Victoria, B. C.

Optician

OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY'S EXPERIENCE and fine, modern equipment are at the service of my patrons. No charge for examination. Lennox street, between Cook and Fort streets. 645 Fort street. Phone 2239.

Painter and Decorator

OSTLER & IMPY, Painters and General Decorators. Rooms papered and painted. On the shortest notice. Write or call at Office, 102 Caladonia Ave., or Impy, 170 Fairfield road.

Patents

FOR PARTICULARS about patents, send for booklet. BEN. E. FARRANT, Ottawa, Ontario.

Pawnshop

MONEY LOANED on diamonds, jewelry and personal effects. A. A. Aaronson, cor. Johnson and Broad.

Plumbing and Heating

HEATING AND PLUMBING-J. Warner & Co., Ltd., 221 Pender street, above Blomhard street. Phone 1470; residence, 810.

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COAL-COMBINE PROBING URGED

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO NAME COMMISSION

Vancouver Member as Friendly Critic—Debate on the Ad- dress Closes

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 27. The initial stage of the session came to an end this afternoon with the adoption, no one dissenting, of a loyal address to his honor the lieutenant-governor in reply to his speech at the opening of the house. To-morrow the members will proceed to the consideration of the business to be brought before them, so far as it is ready for them.

Five short speeches were delivered to-day by (conservative) members, all of them excellent in manner and, from their point of view, as to matter. The feature of the day was that Dr. McGuire, of Vancouver, who did not hesitate to tell the government which he supports what he thought of their local option policy—or want of policy. He struck a blow from the shoulder in regard to the 6 1/2 per cent. requirement, and left an impression that the local option forces will press for the right of the constituencies which show a majority in favor of having the power to submit local option 1 yr.-laws to have what they voted for, irrespective of the aggregate vote.

Two years ago Dr. McGuire called attention to the exorbitant prices charged consumers for coal in this province, and proposed that the Dominion government be asked to hold an inquiry into the existence or otherwise of a combine. It was pointed out by Mr. Nisbet, Mr. Macdonald and other Liberal members, that the matter was one for the house or the provincial government itself to look after, but this view did not prevail and the resolution passed on the last session. Mr. Oliver proposed that this very important subject should be referred to a provincial commission, but the government was still opposed to this and the light-Ottawa policy supported and passed an amendment (again passing the case up to Ottawa. Dr. McGuire appears, however, to have concluded now that the Liberal course was the right one, for this afternoon he advised the government to appoint a commission, especially as they had taken upon themselves recently to name a royal commission to investigate the rates charged for fire insurance.

Another matter on which Dr. McGuire, who has always taken a great interest in educational matters, gave the government some advice, was the cutting out of unnecessary text-books, the avoidance in examination papers of questions which even the teachers could not answer without turning up references, and popularizing the High school curriculum.

The land clearing problem is one which will not down, and Conservative members are equally consistent with Liberals on the government doing something in the premises. Yesterday the member for Cowichan made a strong presentation of the case and today another Island member pressed the arguments home further. It looks as if the government will be compelled by its supporters who know of the difficulties of land clearing at first hand to take some action along lines which Liberals have urged frequently.

J. Pearson Shaw.

J. Pearson Shaw (Kamloops), in continuing the debate on the address, offered the customary congratulations to the speaker and the mover and second of the debate. He excused his taking part in the debate by the fact that he represented one of the largest and most important constituencies in the province. It was a constituency partly rural and partly urban, which had for many years been represented by a gentleman who bore a portfolio in the McRae government. On behalf of the municipality of Salmon Arm he asked assistance for the trunk road running through that district. Kamloops, he predicted, would soon be the railway centre of the province. When the C. N. R. contract came to be dealt with he hoped that instead of the line passing "near Kamloops" it should be made center that city, where ultimately it could join steel with the C. P. R. If not there was a possibility of a rival town growing up on the other side of the river, a thing which would not be good for either.

A model farm in the semi-arid district and experiment in irrigation was asked for by Mr. Shaw. While the Dominion government farm at Agassiz was an excellent institution it was little service to the ranchers and fruit-

growers in the semi-arid area, who had to experiment for themselves at great cost and loss.

Aid for the Tranquil sanatorium was urged by Mr. Shaw, in whose constituency it lies. He pointed out that 34 of the institutions which were for the care of patients from all parts of the province. A beautiful building had been put up, largely from private subscription, but this was quite bare of furniture and equipment. Any generous aid from the public exchequer would be heartily supported by every member of the house and by the people generally. By well-directed efforts should be possible to free the province of this scourge. He hoped the estimates would show a handsome vote for this most deserving work.

C. E. Tisdall.

C. E. Tisdall (Vancouver) declared that in view of the large surplus and the healthy state of the province's finances it was not right to husband any large sum at balance for which only three per cent. would go. The province would get very much more value by using it in opening up roads, surveys, and matters of that nature. In commencing large expenditures on roads the government was acting wisely and should go on with that work extensively, especially on roads leading from urban centres into the country districts.

He commended the reduction of taxes and on behalf of the commercial community made a distinction between the income which a man worked for and that which he derived from investments. In the imposing of the new tax. In line with tax reduction he advocated the removal of tolls on the New Westminster bridge. For the year ending March 31st, 1909, there had been collected in tolls \$22,864, which maintenance had cost \$2,632.50, so that farmers and others were taxed \$5,432 which they should not have been. The levying of tolls was entirely at variance with the spirit of the age, and in any case artisans should not be taxed for crossing a public bridge. Mr. Tisdall concluded with congratulations to the government for the endorsement of their policy by such a great majority.

Cariboo Claims.

John A. Fraser, one of the members for the historic old constituency of Cariboo, briefly reviewed its close connection with public affairs and business relations throughout the history of the province. One of the richest sections of the province, as it had always been, was on the eve of being developed. The construction of two new transcontinental railways through it could not fail to be of immense importance to the district. There were large areas of land awaiting cheap transportation and vast areas of magnificent timber which would be made available. From Tete Jaune Cache, where the two new transcontinentals lines would enter British Columbia, there would be 1,000 miles of navigation which could be developed.

Mr. Fraser asked for a model farm for the Cariboo valley, the agricultural possibilities of which were immense. While not detracting from the honor due to the members of the Royal Engineers he dwelt on the place which the old Cariboo pioneers should hold in the history of the province, and in the esteem of the people.

Cariboo is as aspirant for the honor of having the university, as best befitting long history. Mr. Fraser told the House that no better or more appropriate site could be found than Fort George, the oldest town in British Columbia, founded in 1808.

A Candid Friend.

Dr. McGuire (Vancouver), after complimenting the speaker on re-election and acknowledging personal indebtedness to him for courtesies when a new member of the House, and praising the minister of education for the general administration of his department, went on to speak as follows of matters in which he thought improvement was not only possible, but imperative:

"There are too many text-books in the schools. Many might be done away with, such as 'Science of Health.' That is a work which is difficult enough for a first-year medical student to grasp, let alone young children. Then there is the matter of examination papers—questions. 'Who was George Villiers?' What is the sense of asking a child a question such as that? Suppose twenty years' hence you were to ask a pupil who Donald Smith was, how many do you think would know, or older folk either? The question would naturally be worded as to Lord Strathcona. Who was George Villiers? I did not know until I looked it up, and then I found that George Villiers was Duke of Buckingham, and that he lived in the time of James II. 'What is the gender of vixen?' is another recent example. I doubt if many gentlemen here would be any wiser than I was till I refreshed my memory from the dictionary. It is not the province of an examiner to find out what a child does not know, but what it does know. I think we should have in this province an advisory board elected from the teachers of the province, as in other parts of the Dominion. If we had such a body and their advice was taken these faults would be avoided.

"I have a complaint to make also in regard to the High school curriculum. The province of education in these institutions should be to fit young people for their walk in life rather than to graduate five per cent. into the universities. The curriculum of the High schools is largely framed to form the basis for entry to the university. That is not as it should be. The people at large are being taxed for the educational system and we should have a system for the benefit of the ninety-five per cent, instead of five. I know these matters only need to be brought to the attention of the minister, and attended to forthwith, for I know he is an ambitious minister in regard to his department.

"The Local Option Vote.

"I want to speak of the plebiscite which was taken in connection with the general election. It was a most foolish thing to do. It was an anomaly to take a vote on whether the people should be allowed to vote on the question of local option or not. There are men in this House who are here by a minority vote of the constituencies which they represent. If you had the same thing in those cases as the government has imposed on the local option people you would have a different representation. The government insisted that local option should not only have a majority of votes as against the other side, but that the number of votes for the academic question of

Education the following set of questions:

1. Is it the intention of the department hereafter to observe the following resolution at the High School entrance examinations: "That all the questions shall be within the scope of the text-books upon the subject under examination?"
2. Will it be necessary for public schools hereafter to present the drawing work done in their books at school for the presiding examiner at the entrance examinations?"
3. Did the superintendent of education explain to the Provincial School Trustees' Convention at Revelstoke medals were given to places that sent up the most pupils at the High School entrance examinations? If not, what explanation did he give?"
4. Is the intention of the department to procure Governor-General's bronze medals for the following pupils: David McNair, of Armstrong; Lena Leary, of Ladner; Mary L. Bigger, of Klovna; Dorothy C. Jones, of Golden; Eloise Street, of Chilliwack; Pearl V. Leverington, of Armstrong; Marjorie McCullivary, of Chilliwack; Mary Palmer, of Cranbrook; Olive Young, of Pender; and R. Fulton, of Summerland; Charles Lawrence, of North Vancouver; and Cecile Boyd, of Coalingwood?"
5. Is it the intention of the department hereafter to examine the pupils of any city school on the rural-set of questions at any High School entrance examination?"
6. Were any marks deducted from the pupils' answers to the questions on the spelling paper at the last entrance examination on account of misplaced capitals or misplaced punctuation marks?"
7. What are the requisites in order that a place may have the honor of receiving a Governor-General's bronze medal this year?"
8. Is it the intention of the department to publish a notice in future "Annual Schools Report," calling attention to the unreliability of the inspectors' detailed reports as published in former "Annual Reports?"
9. Is it the intention of the department hereafter to publish in the "Annual Public Schools Report" the inspectors' detailed reports of their visits to each school?"
10. Was David Blair, the drawing master, paid anything for attending the teachers' convention held at New Westminster in January, 1909? If yes, what amount?"

1. The regulations are acceptable to all fair-minded teachers.

2. That has been the usual practice.

3. No. The superintendent of education explained that the medal is given in incorporated.

4. No.

5. No decision arrived at.

6. It is not considered in the public interest to publish the details of examinations.

7. No decision arrived at.

8. The department does not admit liability for errors in the past.

9. The questions has not been discussed.

10. No.

Petitions were presented as follows: From the Salvation Army for a bill for amending certain property in British Columbia (Fred. Davey, Victoria); for a bill to incorporate the city of South Vancouver (C. E. Tisdall, Vancouver); and for a bill to incorporate the Northern British Columbia Telephone Company (William Manson, Skeena).

W. H. Hayward (Cowichan) introduced a private bill to incorporate the Metchosin Railway Company.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. Dr. Campbell.

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MANY LOSE LIVES IN STORM

BLIZZARD SWEEPS NORTHEASTERN ENGLAND

Two Schooners Are Wrecked— Crews Believed to Have Perished

London, Jan. 29.—The worst blizzard in the last twenty years is sweeping Northeastern England to-day. Northern villages are isolated by the interruption of railway and telegraph service. Snow twenty feet deep blocks train traffic, while gales have borne down the steel-tower wires.

Loch Lomond, in Scotland, is frozen over for the first time since 1822.

Six persons are reported to have been drowned when the French schooner St. Balth founded in the storm.

The crew of the schooner Four Brothers is said to have been drowned when the vessel was driven on the North Wales coast.

AFFECTS EMPLOYMENT OF LAND SURVEYORS

An Interesting Case Now Before the Court of Appeal

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Yesterday afternoon, on the conclusion of the case of Bais vs. B. C. Electric Railway in the Court of Appeal, the hearing of Andrews vs. the Pacific Coast Coal Mines Company was taken up. H. G. P. Helsterman, who represents the company, was just concluding his argument when the court rose and the case will be continued on Monday. This is the latest appeal to come before the court at this sitting in Victoria. The Court of Appeal will sit in Vancouver next week, on a date to be fixed on Monday.

Andrews vs. Pacific Coast Coal Company is an appeal from the decision of Judge Lappman, who allowed the claim of the plaintiff Andrews for \$105 due for dismissal without notice. Andrews was acting in the capacity of a surveyor for the company.

Mr. Helsterman, in his argument yesterday, contended that three experienced surveyors had given evidence to show that it was the custom here to give no notice and expect no notice.

Mr. Justice Irving expressed great surprise that this should be the practice. He found it hard to believe that in a rough, unsettled country like British Columbia a man could be thrown out of a camp to shift for himself miles away from any habitation.

To a question from Mr. Justice Irving, Mr. Helsterman admitted that there was a party at work on Queen Charlotte Island a man might be discharged and left to shift for himself until a steamer happened to be leaving. Counsel explained that it often happened in order to maintain discipline a man had to be discharged forthwith.

The chief justice asked counsel if he would not rather put it another way—that while there was no law here requiring a month's notice there was a custom which had here been defined by local custom to mean no notice at all. Mr. Helsterman concurred.

On Monday, R. T. Elliott, who appears for Andrews, will present argument.

BRIEF LOCALS

—Building permits have been issued to Mrs. A. Fletcher for a five-roomed house on the corner of Broadway and to M. C. Hooper for a barn on his property at Foul Bay, to cost \$100.

—Humboldt street, which for so long has been closed to vehicular traffic for the laying of the block pavement, was reopened on Thursday afternoon. The work, while it took considerable time, has wonderfully improved that thoroughfare.

—The sewing committee is asked to meet at the work room, under the Pemberton chapel, Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, on Tuesday next, and every Tuesday until Easter. Any member of the Women's Auxiliary or friend willing to assist on this committee will be cordially welcomed.

—A Scotch concert will be given in St. Columba church, Hulton street, off Oak Bay avenue, on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 8:30 p.m. A splendid programme has been arranged, among which some of the leading talent of the city will take part. All lovers of Scotch music should not fail to attend a very enjoyable evening is promised.

—F. W. Stevenson & Co., the well-known brokers of this city, have issued a very convenient little volume for the guidance of dealers in stocks. It is a handbook of securities for the year. It contains a description of the various classes of stock, the income, dividends and dividends. The information is very conveniently arranged, and should prove of great value.

—The soccer team of the Central school in the under 14-year school league met with a bad defeat at the hands of the North Ward team on Saturday. The score was six goals to nil at the close of the game. Play was rather one-sided, as the score indicates. The Wards kicking and combination was superior to their opponents, and it was an easy matter for them to score. From the start of the game it was to be seen that the Central lads were not fast enough, and the result was not unexpected.

—At the residence of Mr. D. M. Robertson, old Esquimalt road, Victoria West, the marriage took place Friday evening of Mr. William Charles Stewart, Esquimalt, and Miss Joan Mackie, of Victoria West, late of Craig, Scotland. Rev. D. MacRae conducted the marriage service. The groom was supported by Mr. J. McWilliam and the bride was attended by Miss Kathleen Robertson. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart will reside in Esquimalt.

NEW DEAL THE FALL

MAYOR MORLEY SAID CITY MUST BE PROVED

His Worship Reports Ficits in Connecting Public Work

Mayor Morley announced tonight in his report to the council that as long as he remained in office there would never be another out to the B. C. Agricultural Union unless the money by the city officials and the council taken to see that the work was regular; that he had negotiations with the city looking to a readjustment of relations between the city, the cultural society, and the written to Secretary Smith, in which the city would be responsible for the expenditure further money in connection with the association. Morley's attitude was approved by his colleagues on the council.

The remarks of the mayor on the presentation by the committee of a recommendation of the outstanding accounts of the city were paid, they have the books and accounts in an order.

Fullerton, who is an eighteenth musician, who the band at the fair, has received their money.

Ald. Lanley, who is a member of the council in response, said that the council found from an inspection of the accounts that there seemed to be some error in the part of the committee in their report. Ald. Humber was in adoption of the report. He said that there were several accounts which appeared extraordinary. One of them had been sold for \$63 and that it had produced the same amount.

Some member of the council to explain what he meant. Ald. Lanley said he had said that there had been some error in the part of the committee in their report. He had said that there had been some error in the part of the committee in their report. He had said that there had been some error in the part of the committee in their report.

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John A. McTavish Honored by Fellow Employees at Noon Saturday

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Collector Newbery read an address, bearing the signatures of all members of the staff, in which was set forth the fact that Mr. McTavish was retiring after long service, with the respect and esteem of all who had worked with him, and expressing the hope that he would be successful in all his undertakings in the future. Accompanying the address was a handsome leather-covered Morris chair.

Mr. McTavish, though surprised at the unexpected mark of honor thus conferred on him, made a suitable response. He has been in the service in this city for the past fourteen years. He will take up private brokerage work now on his own account.

On Wednesday evening the Beran Bible class and the Epworth League of the Spring Ridge Methodist church will give a concert in the church. An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental selections will be rendered. Several well-known local artists will take part.

The last mask skating carnival of the year will be held in the Assembly rink on Wednesday evening. The prizes to be given for the customary characters are very valuable and it is expected that many excellent costumes will be seen. A tombola prize will also be drawn for.

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