







KOOTENAY FREIGHTS.

Supplies for the New Railroad Out of Brooklyn All Going From Victoria.

Sir. Tees Compl't an Uneventful North-trip Trip Two More Seal's Return.

Salmon packers are hurrying their shipments to Eastern Canada and the Eastern States in order to take advantage of the water and rail rates. These are cheaper than the all rail rates and in view of the cold weather coming on cannot last longer than another month or so.

THE TEES RETURNS.

The C. P. N. Co's steamer Tees, which left the ports of Lynn canal fully two days later than the Seattle or Cottage City, arrived home last evening, she too having visited all ports en route and having few passengers to land at the end of her run.

NEARING COMPLETION.

Another ten days or a fortnight will see the new marine slip at the Star yard, the new harbor, completed and ready for service.

THE FIRST SHIP.

The first ship for the 1800 wharf at Port of Oregon and Washington has been chartered to load at Calcutta for Portland. The vessel is the British ship Macduff.

Sixteen hundred and fifty-six skins of fine quality of seal fur as has come from Behring sea for the Star yard.

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Proposal That They Should Form a Company Attached to Second Battalion, Fifth Regiment.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA'S VOTE.

Additional Returns of the Plebiscite From the Outlying Territory.

Table with columns for Territory, For, and Against. Includes Victoria District, Vancouver Island District, etc.

NOT A MURDER.

Skull Found in Alberni Canal Was Only An Anthropological Specimen.

The mystery of the boy's head in a box found floating in Alberni canal some days ago, was solved yesterday, when the whole thing was cleared up satisfactorily, and the murder theory was discarded.

FAITH IN HOME REMEDIES.

A Manayunk man sat on his porch the other evening, smoking in his pipe a mixture of tobacco and pepper, when the Philadelphia Record, his son had added the pepper by way of a joke.

THE THIRTEEN ROMAN LEOS.

The Popes of That Name Have Included Some Eminent Men.

Thirteen in number have been the Leos that have filled the chair of Peter, and of these several have been popes of the name.

PHILIPPINES LOST TO SPAIN.

Who Might Just as Well Recognize the Fact at Once, Says Senator Hanna.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 30.—The Leader has from its Washington correspondent the following interview with Senator Hanna concerning the Philippines.

Four hundred and sixty years elapsed before we came to another Leo, the tenth of the name, Giovanni de Medici, and the remainder of his reign was uneventful.

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AT THE TWIN MINE.

To the north of the camp The Twin Mine is working a force of eight men on a level about 100 feet below the surface.

LOOKING FOR ONE.

"We'll all be angels by and by," said the Sunday school teacher.

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OTTAWA SHIP CANAL.

An Ambitious Scheme Which Yet May Give New Waterway to Great Lakes.

From the Ottawa Citizen.

It was rumored around town on Saturday that Mr. Marcus Smith, M. Inst. C.E., consulting engineer of the Georgian Bay canal, was instructed to commence the surveys in October to complete them before the ice takes on the river.

A Citizen reporter interviewed Mr. Stewart on the subject. He mentioned that he had heard remarkably that matters were progressing favorably with the canal project.

Mr. Stewart was very reluctant, and would neither confirm nor deny the rumor, but he said: "All the cables this week are of a most favorable character. I am going to Quebec to be present at the unveiling of the monument to Champlain, and when I return I may be able to give you some information, as my English letters will have arrived."

"Do you mind telling me what your movements are?" "I am going to Montreal to-morrow to see the Hon. Charles (son of Lord Russell, of Kilowen, Lord Chancellor of England), solicitor in England of my company, then to Quebec, and to return to Ottawa by way of the White Star line, but I may be detained here a week later. Our proposals to the Dominion government are:

"1. The Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company will build, construct, complete and equip the Montreal and Georgian Bay canal, with locks of fourteen feet depth and up to the standard of the latest locks of the government of Canada, so that boats can pass through the great lakes to Montreal without interruption.

"2. The said company will employ Canadian labor only. Canadian surveyors, and will use new plant and machinery made in Canada.

"3. The said company will commence the surveys at once, and will complete the same in ten weeks, and will put the whole under contract as soon as surveys are completed.

"4. The company will wait for one year, longer if required, from the date of the absolute completion of the said canal before the guarantee hereinafter mentioned shall commence to run.

"5. The guarantee required of the government by the said company is \$340,000 for twenty years, or 2 per cent on \$17,000,000, the cost which the said company accept as the estimate for the purposes of this arrangement or negotiation.

"6. The said company will only ask the government to pay the deficiency in the interest on the bonds to the extent of a sum not greater than \$240,000, equal to the earnings for the first year were \$140,000 the government would only be called upon to pay \$240,000.

"7. If the government of Canada shall be called upon to pay, and shall pay, the whole or any portion of said guarantee, the same will be returned to the said company form time to time out of the current and subsequent profits, so the guarantee will partake of the nature of a loan.

"8. The payment of the said guarantee, or any portion thereof, shall be a first charge and lien on all property, real and personal, of the company, and on all their rights, franchises, easements and privileges.

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THE TEES COMES NEXT.

C. P. N. Company Carry the Policy of Improving Their Fleet to the Tees.

Tag Pilot Enters Service—The Glenogle Added to the N. P. Line.

Should the rush Northward of last spring be repeated next spring there will be no stronger competition for the transportation than that which the C. P. N. company has for the last year been making preparations for. The company's fleet will probably be no larger next year than it is now but it will be almost entirely better equipped and suited to the handling of cargo.

The ship, Her deck house was enlarged and alterations internally were made so that her passenger accommodation would be greatly increased. Afterwards the Islander was laid up and a big amount of money expended in refitting the Tees. Now the Tees, which has been a busy ship from the day she arrived from England, is to be treated somewhat after the fashion of the other ships of the line. It is to be done away with and the little house on the after deck extended to where the pilot house was, so that when the alterations are complete the upper works of the Tees will be very similar to those of the Islander.

In addition to these three ships the company have now the Queen City and Beaver, neither of which are in the fleet. The Queen City, which was built in 1888, is to be done away with and the little house on the after deck extended to where the pilot house was, so that when the alterations are complete the upper works of the Tees will be very similar to those of the Islander.

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The Colonist.

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IS IT A SURRENDER?

The news from Quebec in regard to the proposed settlement of the Alaska-Canada boundary and the sealing question, by lumping the two and giving up the United States everything except one of the towns at the head of Lynn Canal, is so extraordinary that only the reliable character of our special correspondent made us feel warranted in printing it.

The vote therefore ought to be an unusually intelligent one, and if the affirmative side does not receive the support of a substantial majority of the voters of Canada, the conclusion will be irresistible that the people are not prepared for prohibition.

BRING ON YOUR PROOF.

The News-Advertiser says that the Colonist referred to the papers supporting the present government as "the hiring press" and then proceeds to read this paper a lesson for its alleged inconsistency.

GIDDY MR. TARTE.

Mr. Israel Tarte has been making a speech. In it he made special reference to the exceptionally large expenditures of the last fiscal year.

TODAY'S VOTE.

How important the vote of to-day will be upon the future of Canada, no one can foretell. An unfortunate feature of it is that no one knows what will follow an affirmative result.

The Ottawa Journal implores bicyclists to be careful and "keep to the right," and says that a failure to observe this rule caused the death of a young person who was being driven on the left side of the road.

We observe that the Toronto Globe calls for an investigation into the charges of maladministration in the Yukon. As the Colonist has been the most active paper in Canada in demanding such a proceeding, and has done more than any other towards making the ascertainment of facts known, we feel greatly pleased at the attitude of the Globe.

THE PRESS.

We notice in several of our Eastern contemporary articles in regard to attacks made by one newspaper upon another, and the opinion is expressed that the spartan altogether from the merits of the matters thus discussed, such exhibitions are unseemly.

temporary fit of insanity, or that the Gazette and its proprietor had committed some frightful outrage upon the community? In some parts of this country, the first answer that suggests itself to some newspapers is to make a personal attack upon the editor or proprietor of the paper replied to.

In the first place, the newspaper editor, as a rule, is simply a private individual, as much as the bookkeeper in the business office of the paper is.

So, too, in regard to the proprietors of newspapers; they, as a rule, are not responsible for the manner in which questions are treated, except in a very general way.

YESTERDAY'S VOTE.

At the present writing, the returns seem to show that prohibition received a majority vote in the Dominion yesterday, but that the vote was a small one.

No analysis of the voting can be accurately made until corrected totals have been received, but it appears that the Maritime provinces gave a very substantial majority for prohibition, which very much more than offsets the Quebec majority on the other side.

The most striking feature of the voting is the indifference manifested by a very large majority of the voters. It would seem that those who abstained from voting are indifferent to the whole question; but there is no means by which they can be classified.

Regarding the significance of the vote, we feel that the only conclusion to be drawn from it is that the people of the Dominion are not yet ready for prohibition, and, therefore, that the government cannot be said to have received an instruction to bring down prohibitory legislation.

MUNICIPAL POLITICS.

We print a letter from the Hon. Col. Prior and several interviews dealing with municipal politics. The suggestion made by Col. Prior that a public meeting should be called is an excellent one, and we are glad to know that he has taken the lead in getting the matter into shape.

It is very clear that if Victoria is to hold the place it now occupies and advance with equal step with the rest of the province, the property owners and other taxpayers will be prepared to assume the expenditure of a good deal of money. One only needs to go around the city in a casual way to be impressed with the fact that the constant postponement of extensive public works is only putting off the evil day when the money must be raised and expended, and not helping the case any from a financial point of view.

Among the subjects which must have attention are the following: The water supply, the fire department, the paving of the streets, the maintenance of sidewalks, the bridges at James Bay and Rock Bay, and the extension of the sewerage system.

The arbitrators who are to settle the boundary line between British Guiana and Venezuela are to meet very shortly in Paris. The evidence has all been collected, and nothing now remains except for the counsel for each arbitrator to prepare their arguments. The British arbitrators are Baron Herschell and Sir R. H. Collins, a distinguished lawyer. Venezuela will be represented by Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer of the supreme court of the United States, and the fifth arbitrator, or umpire, is a famous Russian jurist named Martens.

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Since Col. Prior has mentioned in his letter that there is no politics in the movement, some little reference may be made to this statement. If the experience of other cities counts for anything, the man who undertakes to devote his attention in the direction of civic improvements, whatever else he may do, will not promote his own personal political ambition. Municipal reform is usually a thankless proceeding for all who are engaged in it; but things have reached such a stage in Victoria that there must be engaged in more than one person must expect to sacrifice something and be misunderstood before the good work is accomplished.

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AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION.

A correspondent propounds the following question: "Has the Lieutenant-Governor any right to appoint a Royal Commission to sit in judgment upon his ministry or their predecessors?" He adds: "What the legislature allowed after examination is settled and determined."

The inquiry now being presented by Chief Justice McCall is clearly "connected with the elementary duties of the executive government and its relations to parliament, and therefore is unconstitutional, if Mr. Gladstone is any authority upon constitutional usage. It is one more illustration of how the constitution is being subverted in British Columbia. We did not think it expedient to raise this question at the time the commission was appointed, because it seemed unwise to take a position, which might be construed as evidence of a desire to conceal anything from the public; but now that our correspondent brings the matter up, and the commission has got very well advanced in its work, no such claim can be made.

We say that the commission is unconstitutional, that the Chief Justice has no more authority to summon witnesses before him and take their testimony than any newspaper reporter would have, and that his appointment as commissioner is a usurpation by the government of the prerogative of the legislature. The evidence which the witnesses ought to be thrown out of the house, if it is ever submitted to that body.

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be different races. Not very much is known of their past history. One traveler, who visited the country in 1780 and spent a great deal of time among the aborigines, thought he discovered traces of a very ancient civilization, but the difficulties of exploration were so great that he had to be content with superficial inquiries.

If the arbitrators decide that the British claim covers the ground lately insisted on by the government of Guiana, there will doubtless be extensive development of the region lying near the Brazil boundary.

Our correspondent, an Englishwoman, questions the reliability of our news despatches, giving as her reason that they are doubtless made up in New York or Boston. In this she is quite wrong, but the matter is itself of very little importance. We refer to it only for the purpose of saying that while errors sometimes find their way into the most carefully edited news telegrams, very little poor invention does. Perhaps there are others besides our correspondent who wonder just how much reliance they are safe in placing upon the despatches. To those we may say that statements of fact are almost invariably correct, and statements of opinion almost invariably wrong.

An Ottawa despatch says that Col. Donville, M. P., has been raising something of a tornado in government circles by his persistent demands that the administration of the Yukon shall be thoroughly investigated. It is said that

when Mr. Sifton returned to the Capital from his summer outing, he found his colleagues inclined to ask him many questions, which he endeavored to dispose of in the fashion with which we have been made so familiar by the Siftonian press. When the pertinacious, erratic, Colonel appeared on the scene, he made such a demonstration that Mr. Sifton was worried in the innermost recesses of his soul. It was an evil day for the Minister of the Interior when he listened to the advice of those who told him to refuse to investigate.

Alderman Bragg has an eye to the welfare of the newspapers. He has posted a notice of motion to the effect that certain reports and returns should be handed to both the daily papers to be published in full. As most of the reports and returns are in the form of regular reading matter, the advertising bill, at the usual rate of 50 cents a line, would be very pleasant to contemplate. The Colonist extends to Alderman Bragg an assurance of its distinguished consideration.

The Rossland Times thinks there is a likelihood that Victoria may reach out and seize the whole Kootenay stock business. We do not know what the prospects are, but it would be a good thing for this town if it could become not only the headquarters of the stock selling of Kootenay, but of all the province. The buying and selling of stocks and carrying them on margins is bound to be a big business in this province before long, and if it could be centered here it would be an excellent thing for the town.

The British Columbia News is turning the X-rays of occultism upon public affairs. Will it kindly direct them upon the intellect of one Joseph Martin, and tell a waiting public how the pugnas politician from the prairies proposes to promote himself to the premiership?

The unconscious humorist has been getting in his fire work on the Trail Creek News. He remarks: "The new Semlin government is now in full working trim and one by one the members of the clerical force in the various departments are being dismissed from service." Comment would spoil this.

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Hon. Col. Prior De ntion of Call ing This

Victorians, or a very them, are strongly of time has come for a ch affairs. Many are change is necessary i municipal government, that with good men in the adoption of the k system, the city of attractive and healthy sequently increase in population. Such in Colonist representative day in conversation wi ally on the streets, w and property interests were all asked whether necessary or advisable men's convention to take municipal improvement tion, and almost to a in the affirmative. T prompted to obtain the of the following letter

Hon. Col. Prior:—I have much pleasure that bo and the Times in leading correspondents' letters I claim their right to a of Victoria from these al matters. On all side marks such as "Why do do so and so?" "Why better streets?" "Why put experienced busi council?" "Why not run for aldermen," etc. after the question is as given more of our city that is the end of it. forward and tries to do a edly the many evils we from, and so it goes on month and year to year. body's business is nobod support, and so the wis by the board.

A businessman of this el a good number of not cities are conducted; as a holder who does not wish perty confining to a few as a firm believer in the of Victoria if the citizen for her advancement; lie man enjoying. I hope of a large number of my men. I feel it is my du means of placing our in condition that will make it possible for the purpose of discou means of placing our in condition that will make it possible for the purpose of discou

It may be urged by so a politician and therefore party purposes. When De are concerned I am as a man as any in Canada, a time or place when politics gin at home, and unless d prosperous it matters lit prosperous the business may be. In this matter toria business man and p only, and in this question the Senator Templeman Riley, Colonel Gregory of my respected political op-workers as heavily as litical friends. This ques Victoria is to hold her o other growing cities, or whether she is to be all into the condition of a a question of the most v vital importance to all homes are here. It is a that cannot be put off but with vigorously and at the business now but can We have all that nature do for a place; but unless selves, and our brainst personal sacrifices by shoulders to the municip the citizens of Winnipeg are doing, we shall be hop ing for this. It is not as soon as the New West over, to call a meeting of owners and business men subject, and shall ask H Mayor to loan us the City purposes. By business men only. What street mercer ives but every man who any business in the pockets of the city. It is ane agent, or anything el by all interested combin results can be obtained that Victoria business me off and have to comfort come out at night to tit the club men their cigar lodge members their weel just for one evening—n hand to hand at this me determination to work that Victoria shall soon that glorious Queen whom the honor to bear. If I a good meeting I shall at to do something, and I than deadly apathy.

Mr. G. A. Hartnabe, Diard, said that he had the matter very thorough in favor of local improv ment water and gas in phone calls, electric light put in. It was useless if it was to be torn up in daily. As to the calling tion, he thought it was Hon. Robert Beaven was done by the call vention and thought proba would come of the discus al affairs at such a eath certainly in favor of ment system, in his opin o system. When the f had been introduced he had to have that system d but his idea did not meet of the majority. It was h due now, and in some m made in certain portions of the general revenue, b possible. The present system of a system of favoring lected. It was not impos made only where the of the system, for property of rectly benefited, voted ag



