

JUST RESORT TO CONTRACT WORK

STREETS COMMITTEE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION

Important Departure Decided on at Friday Evening's Meeting

If any considerable progress is to be made this season with the immense amount of local improvement work to be done by the corporation it will be necessary to resort very largely to the contract system instead of that of day labor. This point was made very clear at Friday's meeting of the streets committee of the City Council...

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CHINESE ARE AGGRESSIVE

NOW ACTIVE ON THE BORDERS OF INDIA

Propose to Send Representative to the Court of Nepal

(Times Leased Wire.) Calcutta, March 24.—In the news of Chinese aggression from Tibet against the British protectorates of Nepal and Bhutan, British officials in India see a start already in the direction of Chinese nibbling at British territory in Northern India. The development is regarded as alarming, and communications are being exchanged between here and the India office in London.

SOME CHANGES CONTEMPLATED

AFFECTING THE OFFICE OF WATER COMMISSIONER

Probable That New City Engineer Will Be Placed in Charge of the Department

(From Thursday's Daily.) It is hinted by those who ought to be in a position to know that Mayor Murray of a number of other members of the city council have intimated that certain staff changes at the city hall are in contemplation in consequence of the situation relative to the Smith's Hill reservoir. The fact that by a majority vote the board had turned down the proposal to hold an investigation into the circumstances of the construction of the reservoir is said to have led to a decision to take action in the direction of appealing public opinion by altering the status of those persons in the employ of the city who are regularly supposed to have been responsible for the faulty construction of the work.



TWO SOULS WITH BUT A SINGLE FEAR

RAILWAY FIREMEN STRIKE AVERTED

COMPANIES AGREE TO MAKE CONCESSIONS

Agreement Providing for Settlement of Disputes is Signed

(Times Leased Wire.) Chicago, March 24.—An agreement providing for the settlement of all disputes between the Brotherhood of Firemen and the western railroads was signed early to-day after a protracted conference which lasted nearly all night. The signing of the agreement averts for the present all danger of a general strike of firemen and yardmen of the roads.

MOUNT ETNA IS AGAIN IN ERUPTION

Several Towns Threatened With Destruction—Inhabitants Are Fleeing

(Times Leased Wire.) Naples, March 24.—Mount Etna is again in eruption. The flow of lava has increased to an alarming extent. The towns of Rinazzi, Borello Bell Passa and San Leo are threatened with destruction. Fresh craters have opened since the volcano became active Tuesday. The main eruption still continues to centre about the new crater at Volta St. Giacomo, which lies between Castello and Albanelli.

DECLARE CANNON RULE MUST END

MORE TROUBLE IN U. S. HOUSE PREDICTED

"Insurgents" Will Fight if the Speaker Controls New Committee

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., March 24.—The regulars and "insurgents" to-day officially ratified the nominees of the Republican caucus for the rules committee, but each side is prepared to throw bricks if the "other side" makes any hostile move.

FOUND DROWNED

(Special to the Times.)

Napanee, Ont., March 24.—The body of R. F. Rapley, a traveller of Montreal who disappeared mysteriously from the Campbell house here last fall, was found yesterday in the Napanee river.

WILL RUSH RAILWAY WORK

Brandon, Man., March 24.—John Bradley, a well known Brandon contractor, has been awarded the contract for building the new C. P. R. line from Craven, north of Regina, to Craven. This is the biggest single contract let by the Empire this year.

ARMY LEAGUE DEMANDS REFORM

PRESENTS PROGRAMME TO GREEK ASSEMBLY

King George May Resign if the Organization is Not Dissolved

(Times Leased Wire.) Rome, March 24.—Crown Prince Constantine of Greece, is authority for the statement that the next three weeks will decide whether his father, King George, is to retain or abdicate the Hellenic throne. "Everything," said the prince, "depends on whether the Greek national assembly succeeds in carrying out the Army League's orders and the league dissolves."

ACTION AGAINST MEAT PACKERS

May Be Cited on the Charge of Contempt of Court

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., March 24.—The sentencing of President Gompers, Vice-President Mitchell and Secretary Johnson of the American Federation of Labor, to jail for contempt of court may be used as a precedent by the government in the action against members of the alleged meat trust.

MINING LAWS

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 24.—The Dominion government has decided to make a general codification of the laws of Canada in regard to mining, and yesterday the Commons appointed a sub-committee to begin the work.

FEAR RESULTS OF TARIFF WAR

BUSINESSMEN OF EASTERN STATES ALARMED

Secretary of State Knox Urged to Use His Influence to Settle Question

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., March 24.—Headed by Representative Alexander, of Buffalo, a large delegation of business men, representing the white pine interests, the grain interests and nearly all the manufacturing concerns from Duluth to the Atlantic seaboard, which operate plants near the Canadian border, are attempting to-day to prevent the United States from engaging in a tariff war with Canada.

G. T. P. HEAD OFFICES HERE

ELABORATE OFFICES AND DOCKS PLANNED

Victoria Will Likely Be Headquarters for Coasting Service

Victoria is to be the headquarters for the Grand Trunk Pacific steamers on this coast, according to advices received on Thursday. That accounts for the fact that the company is so anxious to have elaborate docks and office buildings at this place. There was talk of making Vancouver the central point of the system, but it has been found impossible to find suitable dockage facilities, and Victoria is a much more central and suitable point.

HUDSON BAY DIRECTORATE

(Special to the Times.) London, March 24.—It is stated here that representatives of New York interests and a European bank will shortly be added to the directorate of the Hudson's Bay Company.

DISTRESSED SEAMEN

(Special to the Times.) London, March 24.—The departmental committee on distressed seamen report that in cases in Canada and Australia there has been a generous disposition shown to cooperate with Great Britain in the repatriation of such men.

FIFTEEN SAILORS LOSE THEIR LIVES

Hamburg, March 24.—Fifteen men perished to-day with the Norwegian steamer Dixi, which foundered off Cuxhaven.

MAN ELECTROCUTED

(Special to the Times.) Wolland, March 24.—Wm. Barnes, 30 years old, was electrocuted by a live wire at the Ontario Steel works.

RAILWAY COMES IN FOR CENSURE

VERDICT AT INQUIRY INTO AVALANCHE

Trains Should Not Have Been Placed on Siding at Wellington

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., March 24.—That the Great Northern railway was largely to blame for the destruction of two trains in the Wellington avalanche, is the only interpretation made here to-day of the coroner's jury report returned last night.

DISAPPROVE ALDRICH-PAYNE TARIFF

Eastern and Western Republican Editors Opposed to Recent Bill

(Times Leased Wire.) Chicago, March 24.—The Chicago Tribune to-day prints the result of a poll it has taken of the various newspaper editors of the country showing that the East as well as the West opposes the Aldrich-Payne tariff bill and Speaker Cannon. Republican editors were called on to express their views.

LUMBER TRADE IMPROVES

Big Mill at Port Hadlock, Washington, Resumes Operations After Years of Idleness.

CONVICTION QUASHED

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, March 24.—Judge Morsom yesterday quashed the police court conviction of Robert J. Henderson, an osteopath, for practicing medicine without registering.

LAND FOR SETTLERS

London, March 24.—It is understood that in reference to the sale of 200,000 acres of land by the Western Canada Land Company, the area has been purchased by two Canadians with the object of retarding to settlers. The price paid equals that wherewith the company purchased its 200,000 acres a few years ago.

FLOCKING TO CANADA

(Special to the Times.) London, March 24.—The extra Allan liner Gramscian sailed yesterday for Canada with 1,650 passengers. The multitude of clamoring immigrants is so great that the Allan line had to remove furniture in its Liverpool office to make room for them.

OXFORD WINS BOAT RACE

DEFEATS CAMBRIDGE BY OVER THREE LENGTHS

After First Mile Result of the Contest Was Never in Doubt

(Times Leased Wire.) London, March 23.—Oxford lowered the Cambridge colors to-day in the annual regatta on the Thames, winning by three and one-half lengths, after a race of four and one-half miles. The distance was made by Oxford in 20 minutes 14 seconds, which is 27 seconds behind the record time.

The Oxford crew was in fine fettle, and shortly after the first mile mark had been passed they showed their superiority over Cambridge, and the result from that point was never in doubt.

The race held the greatest interest for thousands of persons who lined both banks of the Thames to witness the most important event in the yearly athletic calendar of England.

Starting from Putney on the Thames, the crews raced for the first mile with the Cambridge boat a quarter of a length in the lead. After the first mile the Oxford eight slowly closed upon their rivals and soon nosed into the lead. From then on the Oxford crew was never headed.

The average weight of the Oxford crew was 176½ pounds; that of Cambridge 172½ pounds. The Cambridge oars hit the water at 12.27 and the Oxford followed at 12.30. Cambridge began with a stroke of 38 and Oxford 35. Cambridge clung to the 38 stroke, but after a mile began to tire. At Hammersmith bridge, a third of the distance, Oxford led by three-fourths of a length, and was so confident of winning that she dropped her stroke to 34.

Cambridge made a final spurt near the half-way point, and succeeded in cutting down Oxford's length and a half lead to an even boat length. Oxford thereafter rowed steadily and increased her lead to three and a half lengths, quite a distance before the finish.

Oxford was a hot favorite. At the toss for position Cambridge won and chose the Middlesex side of the river, Oxford having the Surrey side. There was scarcely enough wind to ruffle the water. This was of advantage to Cambridge, as she had a lighter crew.

The race was the sixty-sixth annual between Oxford and Cambridge, and was along the Thames, from Putney to Mortlake.

The river was lined on both banks throughout the entire four and one-half miles of the course, with thousands of shrieking enthusiasts who shouted the names of their favorite eight and waved the colors of the respective universities—dark blue for Oxford, light blue for Cambridge.

Oxford colors predominated. The Oxford eight were in splendid condition. The Cantabs, on the other hand, were generally voted too light. They looked as though they had been overworked. Recent changes in the crew, furthermore, seemed to have unsettled the men. Their stroke, H. J. S. Shields, was criticised for the short stabbing thrust of his oar, which compared most unfavorably with the effective swing of the rival stroke, Capt. R. C. Bourne, of Oxford.

Most spectators held that Capt. E. G. Williams, of the Cantabs, who pulled number five should himself have stroked the Cambridge boat. Even Williams obviously lacked the magnetism of his predecessor, D. C. R. Stuart, the idol of the rowing world.

The eight crews were: Oxford—M. B. Field, bow; R. H. Owen, No. 2; N. Field, No. 3; E. Majolier, No. 4; D. Mackinnon, No. 5; A. S. Garton, No. 6; P. Fleming, No. 7; R. C. Bourne, stroke, and captain, A. W. Donkin, coxswain.

Cambridge—R. W. Arbutnot, bow; R. Davies, No. 2; F. E. Hollyer, No. 3; C. P. Cooke, No. 4; E. G. Williams, No. 5; and captain, J. B. Rosher, No. 6; E. E. Blanch-Smith, No. 7; H. J. S. Shields, stroke; C. A. Skinner, coxswain.

Cooke is an Australian, Rhodes scholar; Skinner is a South African. There were no Americans on the crew this year.

Riverside clergymen protested vehemently at the holding of the present season's races in Holy week, and did their best to persuade the university authorities to interfere and change the date. The officials declined to do so, however, as the tide will not be suitable for a long time to come.

The Cambridge eight took the water first promptly at 12.30. Oxford followed in lively fashion a few minutes later. To-night the crews will, as usual, occupy boxes at the Albion theatre.

WALKOUT OF FIREMEN MAY BE AVERTED

Chicago, March 23.—Although the danger of a strike of the railway firemen on western roads has not been entirely eliminated, it is believed to-day that it is improbable that the men will go out.

Both the railway general managers' committee and the officials of the Brotherhood of Firemen practically have agreed on a plan of settlement, and the outlook for peace was brighter today than at any time since the strike was voted.

FRANCO-CANADIAN TRADE.

Paris, March 23.—The Canadian section of the British Chamber of Commerce is taking up with the French government the question of certificates of origin required on goods imported from Canada.

SHORTEST ON RECORD.

St. John's, Nfld., March 23.—The shortest session on record of the Newfoundland legislature closed yesterday.

JUDGE LAMPMAN IS APPOINTED

HE WILL INVESTIGATE POLICE COMMISSION

First Sittings Will Likely Be Held Some Time Next Week

As forecasted in Tuesday Times the provincial government has named a commission to inquire into matters connected with the police commission in this city. The commission is Judge Lampman, of the County court of Victoria. He will enter upon his duties at once, the sittings beginning next week.

The scope of the commission is expected to be fairly wide, so that all things connected with the administration of police affairs in the city may be gone into.

The ground on which the attorney-general based his request for a commission is understood to have been that reports of a rather startling nature were in circulation and required investigation.

It is said that one result of the publication of the news of the appointment of a commission was that all gambling ceased in Chinatown last night.

TRUMPED PARTNER'S ACE.

Player Assaulted With Butcher's Steel During Game of Cards.

St. Louis, Mo., March 23.—Because he did not know it was "bad for him" to trump his partner's ace in euchre, Charles Lewis is in a local hospital. His partner, Henry Davis, was arrested, charged with assault and a butcher's steel is booked as evidence.

According to the story told by Lewis, he was playing a four-handed game with Davis, A. Guntar and Jas. Sterling. Davis named diamonds as trumps, led an ace of clubs. Sterling followed with a small club and Lewis confidently placed the left bower of diamonds on the two cards in the centre of the table. Davis' rage rose as he saw his partner's blunder and bubbled over when the last player followed the original lead with a small club.

Davis is alleged to have seized a butcher steel and before he could be disarmed, landed several blows on his erring partner's head.

TROUBLE ON IRRESISTIBLE

SIGHT OF BIG GUNS THROWN INTO SEA

Inquiry Fails to Reveal Offenders—Crew Confined to Battleship

(Special to the Times.)

London, March 23.—The battleship Irresistible has been isolated at Portland Roads since March 12th, owing to disaffection among the crew.

The cause of trouble has not been made public. It became known yesterday, however, that the sights of big guns were thrown overboard on the night of March 12th and that most rigid investigation failed to reveal those responsible.

Since the discovery of the offence the crew has been confined to the ship, no mails being delivered or any communication with shore allowed. To-day and other luxuries have been withheld.

The ship sailed for Bantay Bay yesterday. The court of inquiry will be continued to-day at Portland.

NO INCREASE IN SALARIES.

Montreal, March 23.—The city council at a meeting has voted down a proposal to increase the salaries of the mayor and controllers from five thousand to ten thousand dollars a year, and also voted down a proposal to establish a police commission.

FARMER KILLED.

Macleod, Alta., March 23.—F. Russel, a farmer living south of here, was killed by his team running away while disking on his farm.

TWO MORE INJURED PASSENGERS DIE

Forty-Nine Persons Dead as a Result of Train Wreck in Iowa

(Times Leased Wire.)

Marshalltown, Iowa, March 23.—The death of A. H. Nagle, of Waterloo, Iowa, and Charles E. Davis, of Minneapolis, to-day brought the total dead in the Rock Island wreck to 49 persons. The wreck occurred at Reinbeck last Monday. Nearly a score of injured passengers are here still.

NEW FACTORY FOR CALGARY.

Calgary, March 23.—Secretary Webster, of the board of trade, announces that Montreal capitalists have definitely announced that they will erect and operate in Calgary a large boot and shoe manufacturing plant. It is stated that the company and several of the most excellent business standstill will operate one of the largest plants in Western Canada.



MR. MARTIN'S STRENUOUS DAY AT WESTMINSTER.

MADRIZ MOVES ON BLUEFIELD

NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT MAY ATTACK TOWN

Efforts Will Be Made to Mobilize Scattered Forces of Insurgents

(Times Leased Wire.)

Bluefield, N.C., March 23.—(By wireless to Colon.)—Two thousand Madriz soldiers are moving towards Bluefields to-day, according to spies who have reached Rama. The spies came from the interior and telegraphed the news to the capital of the provisional government.

Bluefields was thrown into a panic by the news. Plans were hastily formed for the defence of the city. The Estrada forces are scattered and only a few stragglers have returned to Bluefields, and the town is practically defenceless.

Couriers have been sent out to communicate, if possible, with the various commanders of the Estrada forces and an attempt will be made to mobilize the troops between Rama and Bluefields. Rama is the base of the movements of the Estrada troops and efforts are being made there to bring in the stragglers and reorganize the army.

General Vasquez, commanding the Madriz forces, is expected to reach Rama within two days and if he should succeed in cutting off the provisional army before it reaches there it is believed here only a disorganized resistance could be offered the administration soldiers, and the fall of Bluefields would be almost certain.

The threatened danger has given rise to the rumor that the United States will be appealed to again to interfere in Nicaragua. There are many Americans in Bluefields and it is said a hasty message will be sent to Washington asking for the return of United States cruiser to protect American interests. The last cruiser left Nicaraguan waters a few days ago.

Hopes to Win Recognition. New Orleans, La., March 23.—Consul Altschul, who represents the Madriz faction of the Nicaraguan government, declared to-day, following the announcement that Madriz troops are moving on Bluefields, that confidential advisers he had received, confirmed the press dispatches. The Madriz army, he said, had been secretly advancing for several days. It is now in the Rama district and will march from there to Bluefields.

President Madriz hopes by the capture of Bluefields to end the revolution in Nicaragua and by crushing the provisional government with recognition from Washington, according to Altschul.

SETTLERS FOR WEST.

Toronto, March 23.—A thousand settlers left yesterday for the West.

ERROR PROVES COSTLY TO CALGARY

Calgary, March 23.—A short time ago Mayor Jamieson and City Clerk Gillis went to Ottawa to arrange the sale of city debentures, the money realized to take up two civic notes held at local banks. Through a blunder the bonds were not negotiable when sent to London, England, and the notes have had to be renewed, costing the city over \$10,000 in extra interest. For the costly error each official denies blame, and both have threatened to resign. It is likely that the city clerk will be asked for his resignation at the next council meeting on account of the part he has taken in the transaction.

NEW PRESIDENT.

Toronto, March 23.—Mr. Justice Oster was yesterday elected president of the General Trust Company, as was expected a few days ago, when he resigned from the bench.

C. P. R. DIRECTOR COMING TO VICTORIA

R. B. Angus and Party Will Spend Three Weeks in B. C. Capital

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, March 23.—R. B. Angus, Canadian Pacific railway director, and party of friends reached the city last night on the way to spend three weeks in Victoria. In the party are Miss Angus, Miss Sizer, and C. S. Smith, wholesale shoe merchant, Montreal. Mr. Angus will be eighty years old in May.

INSURANCE MAN TESTIFIES AT INQUIRY

Declares an Offer Was Made to Kill Bill at Albany for \$10,000

New York, March 23.—That Timothy Sullivan, member of the state legislature, was alleged to be the man who offered to kill adverse insurance legislation for \$10,000, was the startling testimony offered to the insurance investigation here yesterday.

George F. Seward, president of the Fidelity and Casualty Company, was on the stand. He declared he received word from a Sing Sing prison official named Brown that Sullivan would kill the bill to separate the fidelity and casualty companies. "Go to hell," was Seward's answering telegram, according to his statement on the stand. Seward said he went to Albany and killed the bill himself without paying the \$10,000.

He was asked if the man referred to was "Tim" Sullivan, now a member of the legislature. Seward said he did not know what Sullivan it was, except his name was "Timothy." He said he did not know the name of the prison official that sent him the telegram. He was sure, he declared, that the man Toronto Warden Brown, then in charge of the prison.

"Insurance men," Seward said, "are honest, but they are harassed to death by men who want money." "Big" Tim Sullivan, when told of Seward's testimony, said: "It is a lie." He said the whole story as told on the stand was "one of these hearsay stories."

ELOPE ON A MOTOR CYCLE.

San Diego, Cal., March 23.—"Lochivar had nothing on me," remarked F. M. Hall yesterday, referring to his unusual motor cycle elopement with Miss Carrie Clapp, the 19-year-old daughter of a wealthy rancher of Ramona. Miss Clapp and Hall were very much in love, he stated. So much, in fact, that they determined to wed in spite of the objection of the young lady's father. It was arranged that Monday evening Miss Clapp was to be ready for Hall when he called, and together they would fly to this city to be made man and wife.

When Hall appeared Miss Clapp slipped from beneath the parental roof tree.

Instead of restive steeds, left in charge of a faithful groom, she found a "Big" Tim Sullivan leaning against a blue gum tree. It had seats for two. Undaunted, the maiden mounted behind her lover and over the rough country roads they bounced to San Diego. The marriage ceremony was performed a scant hour before Clapp arrived on a foaming horse. Hall and his bride were forgiven.

OVER TWO HUNDRED PERSONS PERISHED

Boston, Mass., March 23.—Two hundred and twenty-five persons perished by shipwreck, and 83 vessels met with disaster, off the New England and British North American coasts or while engaged in the New England, Canadian or Newfoundland trade during the autumn and winter season of 1909-10, which has just closed.

Of the vessels involved, 13 were steamers or tugs, one was a full-rigged ship, four were barques, three barquentines and 82 schooners. A number of barges were lost, but they were not included in the list. The financial loss exceeds \$1,000,000.

PETITION BEING LARGELY SIGNED

GENERAL INTEREST IN THE INQUIRY

Expert Adams of San Francisco, Will Attend if Necessary and Give Evidence

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The petition looking to the appointment of a judicial inquiry to investigate the failure of the Smith's Hill reservoir is to-day being very numerous signed, and applications for copies of the petition for circulation outside the business section were numerous to-day.

The cheering feature in connection with the matter is the evidence of an awakened public interest among rate-payers, and the almost unanimous feeling that the time for passing over these matters has gone by, and that only vigilance on the part of the electorate will prevent their repetition in the future.

The petition on the counter of the Times was rapidly filled up to-day and a second one is now being signed. Prominent citizens are in charge of duplicates, many of which have already many names attached. One citizen took a petition yesterday afternoon and by dinner time had about thirty signatures.

The Times has also ascertained that if public interest makes it necessary that Expert Arthur Adams will come up from San Francisco and will lend his assistance in unravelling the tangle.

Citizens are reminded that all who wish to sign the petition may do so at the Times office. It is desirable that it be as numerous as possible. It is possible that the government which has appointed Judge Lampman to investigate police matters may enlarge the scope of his commission to deal with the reservoir matter.

GREAT WATERWAYS RAILWAY.

Calgary, March 23.—Premier Rutherford arrived in Calgary late last night. He refused to be interviewed beyond discussing the mild weather. It is understood he is here to attend the Clarke, the Yale graduate, who put through the Alberta Waterways railway agreement with the Alberta government.

TUG SINKS IN FRASER RIVER

ALL HANDS BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED

Tacoma Steamer Goes Down On Trip From Steveston to Vancouver

(Times Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, March 23.—The tug Arthur B., of Tacoma, bound from that port to Vancouver with a cargo of plaster, foundered last night off the Sand Head, at the mouth of the Fraser, and as far as known all hands on board were lost.

The foundering was seen by the men on the Sand Head's lighthouse, but they were unable to render any assistance, and they say that the vessel went over so quickly that it could not have been possible to have got a boat launched. If one was launched it went down after the tug went down.

The tug put out from the Steveston wharf about 8 o'clock last night, and about 8:30 she went down. There was a strong wind blowing at the time, and it is thought that the tug in attempting to change her course got a list that shifted her deck load and went over without the crew having a chance to save themselves. She sank in about 25 feet of water.

What crew the Arthur B. had is not known here, but there would be six or seven at least.

Tacoma, Wash., March 23.—The tug Arthur B. left Tacoma March 19th with Captain McGranahan and a crew of five men. She was owned by Capt. McGranahan and a shipping man named Weeks, of Vancouver. The Arthur B. has made infrequent calls in the local harbor for several years. She was built at Port Orchard in 1897. Her length was 66 feet, depth 6.2 feet, beam 23 feet.

OFFICERS ON TRAIL OF OPIUM SMUGGLERS

Members of Gigantic Ring Operating in West Will Shortly Be Arrested

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., March 23.—Federal officials in California, New Mexico, Arizona and Texas are today day to make arrests in a crusade against a gigantic ring of opium smugglers, according to local federal officers. This information follows the arrest here of L. Legner, a bartender in whose room, according to the officers, a number of letters were found which reveal the workings of the gang and gave the officers a means to substantiate other clues they had discovered.

According to the information given out the gang has operated in several border cities. It is expected that arrests will be made at El Paso and Los Angeles.

TARIFF QUESTION REPORTED SETTLED

AGREEMENT WILL BE REACHED IN FEW DAYS

London Times Pays High Tribute to Canadian Statesmanship

New York, March 23.—According to the Tribune to-day the United States and Canada have arrived at a definite agreement on a tariff question according to apparently authentic reports. This information was obtained, the paper says, from a man close to President Taft. It was stated the agreement would be promulgated within a few days.

Another Report. Detroit, March 23.—Private information received here by prominent manufacturer last night from Washington, and which is of an extremely confidential nature, makes possible the definite statement that an amicable settlement has been reached between Canada, the United States and the United States over the tariff question.

It may also be added that the arrangement was reached at the recent Albany conference between President Taft and Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian minister of finance, and by its terms the Canadian government has little left to be desired for.

Tribute to Canada. London, March 23.—Referring to the possibility of a tariff war between Canada and the United States, the Times says the report of Canadian statesmanship during these critical days of rumor and suspense has been worthy of the great traditions left by earlier times.

Canada never used her leadership in connection with the tariff question more worthily than now, and the whole empire should tender her praise.

Taft on the Tariff. Providence, R. I., March 23.—With Senator Aldrich seated at his left hand, President Taft again earnestly defended the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill in his address at the annual dinner of the New England Manufacturing Jewellers and Silversmiths Association. Mr. Taft received a most enthusiastic greeting. His mention of Senator Aldrich's name was the signal for the outbreak of cheers. His defence of the new tariff was frequently applauded. The president also expressed the hope that it would not be necessary to apply the maximum tariff rates against Canada, thus bearing out the reports of the Albany conference that the negotiations with the Dominion government had taken a more favorable turn.

"I can't go on the floor of the House," said the president, "so I have to accept opportunities like this to vent my views. At the recent extra session of congress we passed a new tariff bill, which has been the subject of much of a considerable discussion. But the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Several months of the new tariff law have proved a number of things:

"First—It is the best revenue getter we ever had.

"Second—It has by the returns shown that it has the largest free list.

"Third—It has shown that the rate of the Dingley bill have been materially reduced.

"Fourth—By the creation of a customs court, it has provided a means for the speedy and just administration of the customs law.

"Fifth—It has provided for our trade with the Philippines a measure of justice which should have been given as far back as 1898.

"Sixth—It has furnished to the executive, by means of the maximum and minimum principle, a leverage to secure from the foreign countries fair treatment for American products without any undue discrimination, evidence of which has been cropping out in the tariff laws of a number of nations.

"Seventh—The new tariff law has provided a permanent tariff board.

"Under this new law we have proceeded to great prosperity. Wage earners have all they can do, and unusually high rates of pay. There have been some complaints about high prices, but I do not think they have been so high as to cause suffering. Some of the tariff rates have been lowered or otherwise removed.

"To put the blame on the poor old tariff bill is, to use a moderate expression, unjust."

ROBBER GETS FIVE YEARS.

Ottawa, March 23.—Thomas Gorman, one of the quartet of desperados concerned in the sensational robbery of the post office at Wright last fall, has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

ISLAND SINKS UNDER THE SEA

(Special to the Times.) Kingston, Jamaica, March 23.—A schooner, which has arrived here from Cayman, reports that the biggest island of the group, known as Morant Cays, situated about 30 miles east of Jamaica, has sunk under the sea to a depth of four fathoms. It was inhabited by booby egg gatherers, who made their home there, but they were away at the time. It is believed that the sinking of the island was due to earthquakes, although no shock has been felt here recently.

MANITOBA LIBERALS.

Winnipeg, March 23.—Representatives of every polling sub-division in the province will attend a Liberal meeting to be held here on April 15th, and it is expected that between 700 and 800 delegates will be in attendance. This committee is being formed for the purpose of forming a platform for the coming election as well as to select a leader for the present opposition.

THE MAKING OF CHINAWARE IS THE OLDEST INDUSTRY.

The making of chinaware is the oldest industry. One of the quartets of desperados concerned in the sensational robbery of the post office at Wright last fall, has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

MAYOR'S S FIVE

His Worship and Divulge Their Accounts

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It may also be added that the arrangement was reached at the recent Albany conference between President Taft and Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian minister of finance, and by its terms the Canadian government has little left to be desired for.

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"Under this new law we have proceeded to great prosperity. Wage earners have all they can do, and unusually high rates of pay. There have been some complaints about high prices, but I do not think they have been so high as to cause suffering. Some of the tariff rates have been lowered or otherwise removed.

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The victim had been for 20 years in this country, and until Saturday had been employed as a janitor at Vancouver tug boat. He was 52 years old, and all his relatives reside in Japan.

LOCAL NEWS The funeral of the late Ralph Gibson took place this morning from the family residence, Esquimalt road. The services were held at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, where services were conducted by Rev. Baugh Allan.

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On Monday evening last the Epworth League of the Spring Ridge Methodist church held a debate on the subject, "Resolved, that women should have the franchise and full participative executive government." The affirmative was taken by the Misses Noble, Moore and Wilson, and the negative by Messrs. Smith, Westcott and Adams.

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The weapon was a 32-calibre revolver. Death was instantaneous. Watanabi, during the dinner hour, asked a friend to have a drink, but his friend asked him to wait until evening, as he was too busy then.

He then left the room, and immediately Watanabi took his own life for reasons unknown.

The victim had been for 20 years in this country, and until Saturday had been employed as a janitor at Vancouver tug boat. He was 52 years old, and all his relatives reside in Japan.

LOCAL NEWS The funeral of the late Ralph Gibson took place this morning from the family residence, Esquimalt road. The services were held at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, where services were conducted by Rev. Baugh Allan.

The funeral of the late Mrs. M. J. Wilson took place this morning from the residence of her husband at five weeks' end. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Company's parlors.

On Monday evening last the Epworth League of the Spring Ridge Methodist church held a debate on the subject, "Resolved, that women should have the franchise and full participative executive government." The affirmative was taken by the Misses Noble, Moore and Wilson, and the negative by Messrs. Smith, Westcott and Adams.

The arguments put up by Wilson and Adams were strong. The judges, G. W. and Mrs. Chapman, decided in favor of the affirmative side.

WATERWAYS TREATY APPROVED

U. S. GOVERNMENT MEETS CANADIAN OBJECTIONS

Official Announcement of Ratification is Expected Shortly

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ENRAGED CROWD CHASES EVANGELIST

Disturbance in Church is Followed by Rioting in the Streets

Porterville, Cal., March 24.—A riot which lasted until an early hour today, was started in a church here last night when Leroy Clark, an evangelist, declared that the morals of the women of Porterville were lax.

The evangelist was chased through the streets of the town to his hotel by the crowd, and was rotten-egged. Later he was visited by a delegation of citizens and instructed to leave town.

With G. W. Clark, Leroy Clark had been conducting a revival in a local church. During an impassioned sermon, he remarked that any woman who attended his services was to be classed with immoral women.

A large crowd formed at the doorway and hissed him as he passed. He was requisitioned from a nearby grocery store.

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SELLING HIS CORFU PALACE

KAISER TIRED OF MARBLE FASTNESS

Costs Too Much for Upkeep and No Longer Useful for Political Purposes

(By Herbert White, Berlin Correspondent of the United Press.) Berlin, March 24.—No one is surprised that the Kaiser has decided to sell his Corfu Castle, situated on one of the most beautiful of the Ionian Islands, near Greece.

He has been engaged in more and more tired of it for some years, and has only been awaiting the chance

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 Each, each, each
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Light Co. Phone 1665
 SHOOT HIMSELF.
 Seattle, Wash., March 24.—Sick and spendent, Edward F. Tressler, brother-in-law of Retiring Chief of Police Ford, shot and killed himself at 11 o'clock this morning at the Ward home.

He was 36 years old, unmarried and made his home with the Wards. Since Monday he is said to have been drinking heavily. Last night his sister located him in a down town lodging house and brought him home. A physician had just prescribed medicine for him and left the house this morning, when he killed himself. The remains will be taken to Vancouver, Wash., for burial.

The coal production of France is insufficient for her needs, although in the last ten years it has increased from 30,000,000 to 36,000,000 tons.

NOTICE
 Pursuant to the by-laws of the said company, notice is hereby given that the annual General Meeting of the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at their office, 918 Government street, in the City of Victoria, on Monday, the 4th day of April, 1910, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any other business that may be brought before the said meeting.
 E. J. PALMER, Local Secretary.
 March 1st, 1910.

Received a further shipment direct from the NOTTING-HAM FACTORIES OF
LACE CURTAINS
 prices from 50c to \$8 per pair.
 SPECIAL SNAP Nottingham Curtains, lace, 52 in. wide, a yard 25c
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 Even those who take good care of themselves find that they are obliged at this time of the year to tone up their systems. Whether you need it now or not, kindly remember that
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THREE GAMES AGAINST SEATTLE AND BEAVERS
 Victoria Ball Team Given Dates by Dugdale and Brown

The Victoria baseball team has been arranged with the Seattle and Beavers Northwest baseball league for the month of April. Manager Wattalet has been awarded three dates with Seattle, April 10th, and two dates with Vancouver April 15th and 18th.

The Northwest league teams with the major league teams will set all series of dates before the big season opens for practicing games with teams of some minor league. The team is good for the junior team, training which has an opportunity to learn the points of the big teams and for the big teams the advantage is the chance to perfect their own team before the season during the season against the teams in their own leagues.

The three games would be of unusual advantage to the Victoria team while it is not expected to win either of the three games, will get some fine training. The opportunity of the local team being up against the three big teams before they start in one the season will be of more advantage than a month's home practice.

To fix these dates and have the team play the matches in Vancouver and Seattle it will be necessary to have a special permit from the B.C.A.A.U., which it is understood in Vancouver has been granted. An application was sent by the secretary from Victoria who offered no opposition to the plan is quite within his rights under the old rules of the C.A.A.U., and still under the new rules of the C.A.A.U. The Federation and the C.A.A.U. both grant the special permits for the playing of amateur and professional matches. The matches to be allowed only on such dates as set in the permit. These dates would be those offered by Dugdale and Brown.

There has been a question raised as to the amateur standing of the Victoria ball team, but the Victoria branch of the B.C.A.A.U. has never taken up the question of inquiry and as there is considerable new material on the team this year, the team is to be regarded as an amateur aggregation.

The matches are to take place in Vancouver and Seattle. The University of Washington, the Multnomah Club and a number of Seattle teams are also given dates against the Seattle and Vancouver clubs. These teams will all come here to play Victoria during the season, so as regards amateur standing the Victoria team will be on the same ground in this respect as the teams from across the line.

LOCAL NEWS
 H. Pontifex has been granted a building permit for a dwelling house on Niagara street. The house will cost \$1500.
 Probate of the will of the late John Lambertson was granted in Chambers by Mr. Justice Gregory on Tuesday an application of H. D. Twigg.
 W. G. Winterburn forwarded a letter to the council at Tuesday's meeting urging the appointment of a local engineer for the test of the pumping machine and the making of a sewer water system. The matter was referred to the fire wardens.
 An overturned lamp in the engine room at the Sawmill mill Monday night about 11:30 o'clock was responsible for a fire brigade call. The fire, however, was extinguished by the fireman by the time the brigade arrived. The fire was caused by a candle called out last night at 8 o'clock to answer a false alarm at box 65, Bridge Street.

The funeral of the late J. W. Frith took place Sunday afternoon from the Hanna chapel. The Rev. E. G. Miller officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Boddy, the officiating minister, and the Rev. C. H. Hancock, a cousin, wish thank the many friends who assisted them and sympathized with them in their trouble. The floral tributes were numerous. The pallbearers were W. H. Jones, Wm. Williams, V. Stang, D. Cross, G. Adam and G. Watkins. The interment was made in Ross Bay cemetery. Mr. C. H. Hancock left last night for Concrete, Wash.

Burnside Mutual Improvement Society will hold their first meeting on Tuesday evening next, March 29th when Capt. Robbins will give a popular and interesting address on "The World as a Playground." Capt. Robbins has been many times around the world and crossed the Atlantic ocean over eighty times. All are asked to come and hear some thrilling experiences of sea-faring adventures, and some sweet strains of music that would make even Plato weep. Burnside Mission hall, March 29th at 8 p. m.

Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of public works, and Hon. E. Young, minister of education, have returned from a visit to several government works on the mainland. Mr. Taylor inspected the work on the Vancouver coast house, New Westminster and the forestry office, Coquitlam Retreat farm buildings, New Westminster hospital and the insane, Vancouver Normal school and the P.O. building. Mr. Grey He issued orders for the hurried work of Dr. Doherty, resident superintendent of the hospital for the insane, accompanied Mr. Taylor to Coquitlam. Work has just been begun on a block of buildings for the chronic insane with an area equal to the parliament buildings and the clearing of land on the farm is going on vigorously that this year there will be approximately two hundred acres under cultivation.

DUNCAN TENNIS CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS
 Offer Challenge Cup Carrying Vancouver Island Championship

The general annual meeting of the Duncan Lawn Tennis Club was held the other day. The annual balance sheet showed the club to be in a more than flourishing condition. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Hon. President, W. H. Hayward, M.P.P.; president, C. F. Rivaz; secretary, W. H. Allington; treasurer, G. Breakpear; committee, H. D. Morison, T. Smith, K. Duncan and H. F. Prevost.

It was decided to offer a \$100 challenge cup carrying with it the Vancouver Island championship to be competed for on the local courts annually.

CITIZENS COMMENTING ON MAYOR'S ACTION
 Decision to Spend \$5,000 for Expert Auditing Occasions Some Criticism

(From Tuesday's Daily.)
 Considerable comment is being indulged in to-day over the announcement made at last night's meeting of the city council that Mayor Morley and the members of the finance committee have bound the city to an expenditure of \$5,000 for the services of an expert auditor to go over the accounts at the city hall and advise as to departmental changes. And in this connection it is recalled that during Mayor Morley's first term of office, in 1906, he made a similar move in the direction of having the services of an actuary engaged.

Dr. Lewis Zall, ex-mayor, was spoken to about the matter this morning, and he recalled that he and F. W. Vincent were members of the finance committee of the council at the time. Mayor Morley sent for Mr. Hellwell, actuary of Vancouver, and he came to Victoria and made an examination of the books and submitted a report to the finance committee. Dr. Hall says he remembers that Mr. Hellwell found the books in excellent shape, and said that they were, in fact, better than those of the city of Vancouver. The financial statement he considered an excellent one. He said the system in vogue might be simplified, but no drastic changes were necessary. Dr. Hall thinks Mr. Hellwell estimated the entire cost of the changes to be not more than \$600.

EASTER EXCURSIONS ON STEAMERS AND TRAINS
 Special Rates to Neighboring Cities Extending Over Nearly Week

Special excursions are as usual being run by the C.P.R. steamers and trains and the C.P.R. rates given for the holidays. Between this city and Seattle and also to Vancouver the easy rate of two and a half dollars for the round trip is offered, and where up the E. & N. railway a fare and a fifth pays the round trip. Easy rates also apply on the main line of the C.P.R. On the boats the tickets are good from Tuesday and on the trains from Thursday to Tuesday.

The travel will be greatest between this city and Vancouver. Usually during the holiday seasons there is a large travel between the two cities, but on this occasion the aviation meet at Vancouver is likely to be an attraction. Vancouver business men are likely to take advantage of the cheap rates to run over to the Capital to take a look at the real estate which is now being talked about in Vancouver.

PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN FOR KAMLOOPS
 Board of Trade Asks City Council to Assist in Work of Advertising

Kamloops, March 21.—At the last meeting of the city council Thos. Calloway and Dr. Wade, as a delegation from the board of trade, were permitted to lay the application of the board for assistance in the proposed publicity campaign. Mr. Calloway outlined the scheme formulated by the publicity committee and stated that \$2,500 would be required to carry out this campaign. Other western towns were spending larger amounts than ever in this respect and he thought that Kamloops could not refuse to do likewise. The application was referred to the finance committee.

The mayor stated that he thought the time had arrived for giving a fire by-law being enacted. Six years ago such a by-law had been passed but it was too drastic for the times and he had been one of those instrumental in causing its repeal. He asked the aldermen to consider the subject. The matter was discussed and the opinion expressed that the limits should include the block containing the Grand hotel and the locality of the power house.

The purchase of another lot for a fire hall was also discussed, the majority of the aldermen being in favor of buying two or even three lots in different parts of the town before prices became too high. The present site was continually increasing in value and even if sold now would pay for another site and the removal of the building. Several sites will be considered and reported on at the next week's meeting.

NANAIMO HORNETS SEEK EXPLANATION
 Letter to President of Rugby Union on Vancouver's Withdrawal

James R. McKinnell, president of the Nanaimo Rugby Football Club, holds the club has not received a square deal from the B. C. Rugby Union this season, and he makes his complaint in a letter written to J. E. Miller of Victoria, president of the Rugby Union.

The letter was held by William Moresby and not given for publication in Victoria but taken by him to Vancouver and given to the Vancouver Province for publication last week when Moresby was on his way east. The letter is as follows:

Nanaimo, B. C., March 16, 1910.
 J. E. Miller, Esq.,
 President B. C. Rugby Union.

Dear Sir,—It is my duty as president of the Nanaimo Rugby Club to bring to your notice the treatment my club has received, and I should esteem it a favor if you would have this letter published. Let me begin at the beginning. The Hornet Club was organized this season very largely on the representations of Mr. W. C. Moresby, of your city, Victoria, and Vancouver, in his opinion, he would be pleased to see the old team back into the game, and he gave me his personal assurance that Victoria players would be everything that I could wish for the club along. I myself set about the business, and spent considerable time on the matter. Finally, believing that the club could be organized, I called a meeting and, as a result, the Hornets once more entered the game. As a proof of our sincerity may I remind you that Mr. Hawthorthwaite, a former captain of the team, now Nanaimo's representative in the provincial house, attended the meeting and donated a silver cup and a set of gold medals to be competed for by the clubs in the union. Both cups and medals are now in the keeping of the local jeweler, and I can assure you that they are well worth competing for.

The Hornets then were organized in the true spirit of sportsmanship, and were duly admitted by the union. Then, unfortunately, owing to a mistake by the union secretary, the club was given no dates until Victoria and Vancouver had competed their series, all but one game. Then to our surprise came objections to dates being granted us, and these objections found prejudicial expression in the sporting columns of the Colonist. The position of my club was deliberately misrepresented, and an attempt made to sway the union representatives to refusing to give us dates. The attempt failed, and Victoria keeping their engagement played here on the fifth of the month. I saw the game and can swear that I never saw a match fought out in a better spirit, or freer from rough play or dirty tactics.

The Colonist printed a very biased account of the game, and followed it up the following day with a libellous attack on the Hornet players, in which he stated as it was, and I am prepared at any time to deny and disprove every charge made in the Colonist article, and I charge that it was deliberately conceived for the sole purpose of injuring my team of the league. What is more to the point is that it has done so.

The week before Victoria played here the Hornets were slated to play Vancouver, and we were ready for the game. We had telegrams from Mr. A. Bull, informing us that we were expected, and all the arrangements were completed for the match. Then a heavy fall of snow rendered the ground unplayable, and Mr. Bull notified us that the game had been cancelled. Then came the Victoria match, and the scurrilous Colonist article and on Friday, the day before Vancouver were due to play here, we received a telegram from Mr. Bull stating that he could not raise a team. So far that telegram is all we have been favored with, but from the Vancouver press we learn that the season there is closed.

We would ask what the union through you, has to say first, as to such libellous and unsportsmanlike articles as that which appeared in the Colonist, and second, as to what the union proposes to do in respect to the withdrawal from the series? If we are not wanted in the union, we can, of course, keep out; but it is to say to such both peculiarly mean and unsportsmanlike first to cancel our match and then indirectly to shut us out. We expect to hear from you some explanation as to the course the union proposes to take, and meantime we can only conclude that the whole trouble has been occasioned by the malicious and slanderous article in the Colonist. We would, therefore, request that you give this letter the same publicity as the article in the columns of the Colonist. Hoping to hear from you, I am, your truly,
 JAS. R. MCKINNELL,
 President Nanaimo Hornets.

WILL OPERATE SEVEN TRAPS
 TUG SADIE LEAVES WITH TODD'S OUTFIT

Two Firms Only to Fish for Salmon at Sooke This Year
 In spite of the fact that this is one of the off years in the salmon fishing industry, J. H. Todd & Sons, of this city, will operate four traps, the same as last year when the big run was on. This morning the tug Sadie left for Sooke with Manager J. McDevitt and 25 men. They will take two months to prepare the traps, the salmon not being expected before the middle of May.

The only other firm to operate here this year will be Findlay, Durham & Brodie, who will have three or four traps in the neighborhood of Sooke. Captain F. Tucker is going in charge of these, the tug Ende having been chartered for the season from Captain Berdick to act as tender. The Todds have chartered the tug Sadie for the season from G. McGregor.

The catch from the Todd traps is packed at Esquimalt in their big canneries. From the other traps the pack is carried to the cannery near the outer dock. Besides this a quantity of fish is sold to the dry-salters and canners. The spring salmon are mid-cured and sent to Germany, mostly by Lindenberg & Co.

The making of the fish traps is a very expensive business, and on a poor year hardly pays for the outfit. All the piles have to be driven every year and pulled out in the autumn, else they would be carried away by the winter storms. Sometimes after the piles are driven in the spring they are carried away and have to be made over. There is the expense of keeping a tug for six months at a stretch and a large staff of men continually employed.

PETITION FOR INVESTIGATION

Following the refusal of a majority of the city council Monday, to ask for a judicial inquiry into the Smith's Hill reservoir affair, a number of citizens on Tuesday started the circulation of the following petition, addressed to his honor, the lieutenant-governor in council:

"We, the undersigned ratepayers of the city of Victoria, humbly pray that a Judge of the County, Supreme, or Appellate Courts of British Columbia, be appointed a commissioner under the 'Public Inquiries Act' to investigate and report upon the construction of the public works known as 'Smith's Hill Reservoir' and the 'High Level Tank' in the city of Victoria, and that the scope of the said commission be authoritatively permitted to permit the commissioner to investigate all matters which, in his discretion, 'have a bearing on the subject.'

This petition is being numerously signed this afternoon, and it is requested that every ratepayer who wishes to see an independent and impartial investigation of the Smith's Hill work, and responsibility thereof definitely fixed on the proper shoulders, will make it a point to sign. It is felt that unless some such satisfactory investigation is now held that it will be impossible in the future to secure the passage of money by-laws for work no matter how important or pressing.

Citizens have the opportunity of signing, among other places, at the Times office.

CHINESE SAILOR GETS THREE YEARS
 Convicted at Prince Rupert for Attacking Fireman on the Cape Breton

Prince Rupert, March 21.—An Ah Wey, a Chinese sailor on the ship Cape Breton, is on his way to New Westminster penitentiary to serve a three-year term, while a \$500 head tax, paid by the captain of the ship, is in the government treasury.

Ah Wey, together with other Chinese sailors, started a small mutiny on the ship, in which the right hand of a fireman was almost severed with an axe. Judge Young sentenced Ah Wey to three years and let his fellow-contractors go free.

As the constable took his prisoner from the ship, Collector MacDonald, of the Canadian customs, at once demanded the \$500 head tax. Captain Warden refused to pay, and Ottawa was appealed to. The department there sustained the local collector and Capt. Warden was compelled to pay the \$500 before his ship was granted clearance papers.

On Wednesday evening, 23rd inst., an Irish concert will be given in St. Columba's church, Oak Bay. A good programme has been arranged. Several of the best local talent having been secured. Among those taking part will be Misses Gleason, McQuillan, Harkness, Davis, Roberts, Rev. Mr. Stevenson, Messrs. Gordon, Howell, Wilson, Taylor, Heyworth, Professor Gyles will be accompanist for the evening. A good time is assured all who attend.

STEWART MINING COMPANY IN RICH ORE
 Good Reports Are Received From Portland Canal Mine

The Stewart Mining & Development Co., Ltd., have received a telegram from their manager at Stewart informing them that they have struck it very rich on the east or No. 3 ledge at the 200-foot level. This is one of the most important strikes yet made in the camp, as the ledge is also continuous on the Portland Canal Mining Co. property, the O. K. lode, belonging to Capt. John Irving, of Victoria, and the Portland Canal Mining Co. at Duncan.

BOTH SIDES WIN IN A LABOR LAWSUIT
 Company Pays Worker Wages and He Has to Make Good Damage Done

The case of Thomas Strain vs. The Victoria Chemical Company was decided by Judge Lampan on Tuesday, when he ordered the company to pay Strain \$108 and ordered Strain to pay the company \$125 to cover damage he had caused.

Strain came out from Scotland three years ago under contract to receive \$2 a day and have retained from his wages \$100 to pay for any damage he might cause. On January 4th last, in consequence of a New Year celebration, he was discharged and sued for the \$100, which the company retained to pay for acid pipes they claimed he had broken.

At the afternoon session Monday David McClymont, for the plaintiff, said Strain had never asked for it. Experience in the handling of acid before he came here. The pipes carrying the acid through the furnace broke very easily and were often patched up. Asked by the defence if he had been discharged himself McClymont replied that he had been but not soon enough.

"What do you mean?" asked his honor. "Did you break some pipes, too?"

"I broke everything in sight," the man answered, with a chuckle of reminiscence.

The judge asked him if he drank "Aye, mon," he replied with a laugh. "I've bin drinkin' sin' I was born."

The plaintiff recalled by the court, stated that he was given \$2.50 a day from the start but never asked for it. On Tuesday Edward Legg, foreman at the works, was recalled and told how Strain and two men who came out at the same time, finding other men brought out were getting \$2.50, refused to work until the company agreed to give them the same instead of the \$2 they had contracted for.

After hearing legal argument from D. S. Tait, for plaintiff, on the question of contract his honor gave judgment as stated.

STEAMER VADSO ARRIVED FROM STEWART
 Embryo City Buried in Snow is an Interesting Sight

Steamer Vadso, which arrived on Tuesday from Portland Canal and way ports, brings interesting news of the new mining town to which everyone is looking forward this summer. Between twenty and thirty men were taken in and about twenty brought out. This was in the ordinary course of events. The interesting thing about the trip was the very interesting appearance of the embryo city, according to those who were there nothing but the chimneys of the houses could be seen. The houses themselves were buried beneath the snow.

The walks on the streets had been shovelled out and the banks on either side were higher than the heads of the pedestrians. Always were dug through the snow to the houses, but the owner of one house failing to provide such a means of ingress and egress, the snow was piled up to his house through a hole in the gable.

The show at the present time is in a melting condition, and for that reason it was hardly a pleasure to get around. In a week or two, however, when the snow is gone, everything will be made and hammer will be heard everywhere. Stewart is bound to boast this year and climatic conditions will be the result of the advent of thousands of people who have heard of the riches of her mines.

The Vadso brought word from the north that the collieries are running on the Naas river and are being caught and salted. The canneries are all preparing for the arrival of the salmon, and already few springs are being caught at Port Simpson. The tide water of the Skeena is being held back by the winter snow, and will allow her.

Among those coming south was Alexander, manager of the Brunswick cannery.

PRESENTATION OF RETIRING MANAGER
 A. B. W. Hodges Receives a Watch and Fob From Granby Employees

Phoenix, March 21.—Jacob Langley, Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Company, and Geo. C. Clark, Jr., of New York, director of both the Granby Company and the Great Northern Railway Company, visited the Granby mines here the other day. He spent the day with A. B. Hodges, who has just retired from the Granby management to go to Peru. President Langley took occasion to state that the directors were very sorry to lose Mr. Hodges but refused to disclose any information as to the probable successor of Mr. Hodges at the Granby.

The employees of the Granby mine assembled at the shift bosses' office and presented Manager Hodges with a handsome watch fob set with a large diamond. At the smelter the previous evening Mr. Hodges was made the recipient of a gold watch by employees of the Granby reduction works.

Robert Campbell met with a serious accident while employed on a trestle on the new railway to Wellington camp. He became overbalanced while hoisting a timber and fell thirty feet to the ground, breaking his collar bone and two ribs. He is now in the Phoenix hospital.

Diamond drilling on Granby's new Summit camp claims is progressing at the rate of 25 feet per day.

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE PLANS FOR FUTURE
 Will Be Greatly Widened

Albert has been chosen as the place of annual meeting of the Vancouver Island Development League, and the delegates from the several branches will assemble there early in July.

It is expected that the league will be discussed at the annual meeting in this year, which will permit of a great widening out of its activities. The advertising campaign will be extended very much. A suggestion which will be discussed at the annual meeting is that a lecturer be sent on a tour through Great Britain, it being felt strongly by many prominent members of the local branch that if the advertising now being done were thus supplemented its effectiveness would be vastly increased. The experience of the immigration department of the Dominion has been that illustrated lectures are an unrivalled means of arousing interest.

The new hand book of the Island will soon be issued from the press and some 20,000 copies will be distributed broadcast.

PROMPT ACTION OF DOCTORS SAVE LIFE OF PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA

Bluefields, Nicaragua, March 22.—It is charged to-day that five alleged spies, working as nurses at a local hospital, administered poison to Provisional President Juan Estrada yesterday while he was inspecting the hospital. Estrada's life was saved by the hospital physicians, who administered powerful emetics.

Soon after Estrada arrived the hospital authorities ordered some refreshments for him. As he was in a hurry to complete his tour of inspection, the provisional president ate hastily. Half an hour later he was taken violently ill. He was rushed into the operating room where emetics were given.

At the time it was not suspected that Estrada had been poisoned, and the physicians believed that he was suffering from an acute attack of indigestion caused by rapid eating. Shortly after it was announced that Estrada would recover five nurses disappeared from the hospital. The men succeeded in escaping.

Meanwhile the food which Estrada had eaten was examined, and an analysis revealed the presence of poison which had been mixed with it.

ARCTIC STREAM HAS EXCITING EXPERIENCES
 Sailor Knocked Unconscious By Big Comber—Water Famine

Passing through many exciting experiences in the 157 days she had been out from Newcastle-Tyne, the British ship Arctic Stream, Captain C. Dixon, one of the trimmest little sailing vessels afloat, returned to Portland Sunday, after a voyage of two weeks.

Buffeted by strong gales, the Arctic Stream was 36 days getting out of the Straits of Dover, making three attempts before reaching the open sea. During this period, John Hunter and William Clark, able seamen, were severely injured and had to be landed. During the voyage there were no mishaps until Christmas day, when the ship was nearing Cape Horn. Without warning the worst storm of the voyage broke forth, and the vessel developed into the velocity of a gale. Increasing in fury the wind howled with increasing force for the ensuing 24 hours. Waves swept the deck almost continuously. One of the combers struck John Clark, brother of the seaman who had been left at Deal, and carried him against the rigging. With a broken and badly shattered head he was pitched unconscious. His life was saved by prompt surgical attention and the best of care. He was landed at Astoria, for further treatment.

When more than a thousand miles remained between them and their destination, the officers and sailors of the Arctic Stream were confronted with a water famine. It was close to three weeks ago that the tanks were found to be about empty. The captain showed his ingenuity by rigging up a small condenser which he managed to turn out from 10 to 12 gallons of fresh water a day. The quantity was ample so long as the drawing on the depleted tank supply until the Columbia river was reached.

In rounding the Horn the Arctic Stream had to depress south latitude several degrees closer to the South Pole than the average merchantman ever ventures. This was on January 2nd, and the nights were about as light as the days. The sky was without a cloud and so clear and bright that the skipper could not resist the temptation to take a number of photographs.

The remains of the late James Joseph Doran were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery on Tuesday. The funeral took place from the Victoria Undertaking Parlor, Yates street, at 8 o'clock and at 9 o'clock from the Roman Catholic cathedral. Services were conducted by Rev. Father Flisser at the cathedral, and also at the graveside. There was a large attendance of friends of the deceased, present, Mr. Doran having lived here for many years, during which time he became a general favorite. Members of the I. M. U. of N. A., and Eagles' lodge attended the funeral in a body. The floral tributes presented were numerous and beautiful. Among these was a bouquet from the Victoria Ladies' Union and a large anchor from his old schoolmates and friends. The following acted as pallbearers: E. Williams, T. Marrion, F. Campbell, T. Young,

RESIGNATION OF THE EMPRESS MANAGER
 B. M. Humble to Enter Firm of Rowan and Harvey

B. M. Humble, manager of the Empress hotel, has resigned. Mr. Humble confirmed the report on Tuesday, saying he intended to join the firm of Rowan & Harvey, real estate and insurance, Vancouver.

Mr. Humble expects to be released from his present duties at the end of next month and to enter into the new business the first week in May.

Mr. Humble is a very man to say who would be the next manager of the Empress hotel. His resignation has only just been sent in, and there has been no time for the appointment of a new manager of the Empress.

DOCTOR ADVOCATES NICOTINE CURE
 Declares Tobacco Proves Beneficial in Cases of Spinal Disease

Paris, March 22.—"My Lady Nicotine" secured a champion to-day in Dr. De Kermabon, of the French army, who denied that nicotine is an excellent medicine and those threatened with brain and spinal attacks ought to take the nicotine cure.

The doctor seeks to prove his assertion by statistics gathered while watching the ravages of serbo-spinal meningitis, which has been an epidemic among the French troops for three months.

Dr. De Kermabon stated to-day that he has carefully compiled statistics in which it is shown that twenty non-tobacco users were attacked by the disease to one who was prone to the use of cigarettes and other forms of tobacco.

Dr. De Kermabon also asserted that the young should be encouraged to smoke, especially if they are liable to spinal trouble. He declared that the festive coffin-nail is a cure for "brain storms."

STEAMER CRAIGFLOWER'S CAREER IS CLOSED
 Machinery Brought South to Vancouver to Be Sent to Fort George

The life of the sternwheeler Craigflower was a short one. She has been denuded of her engines and boilers and the men who were taking these out were afraid she would sink before they were taken. The steamer was wrecked on arrival on Tuesday from Portland Canal and way ports, brought the machinery to Vancouver, and it will be installed on one of the steamer stagers which is to be operated this year in the neighborhood of Fort George.

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TENDERS CALLED FOR KETTLE VALLEY ROAD
 Construction Work Will Begin About the First of May

Merritt, March 21.—R. N. Jones and E. A. Morrisset, two railway contractors from Spokane, were in town last week. The tenders for the Kettle Valley line must be in by April 15th, and Messrs. Jones and Morrisset were formerly associated with P. Larson. They are tendering for the contract and have been assured that construction work will start about the first of May. The route of the Kettle Valley will run up the Coldwater to Dan McKay's old ranch and down the east side of the Otter river, thence past Granite to Pentlagon.

The Kettle Valley line agreement specifies that the road will be built from Pentlagon to Merritt, using a junction here with the lines from Spencor's Bridge and thereby giving a direct route between Vancouver and the Boundary Creek district.

Construction work as above stated will be commenced in May and from both ends of the road, that is, both from Merritt and Pentlagon.

POPE LEO'S TOMB
 Body Will Shortly Be Removed From Temporary Sepulchre

Rome, March 22.—The body of the late Pope Leo XIII. will be removed from its temporary tomb in St. Peter's church before the middle of April and placed in the magnificent sepulchre prepared for it in the Church of St. John La Terano. The removal will be conducted as unostentatiously as possible. A solemn funeral service will be celebrated following the laying of the body in its new resting place.

A New York woman has patented a concealed metal detector on the principle of the old-style stereoscope, a frame to hold the net passing in front of a strong magnifying lens.

ELECT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY'S MEETING

A. W. McCurdy is Named President at Annual Gathering

There was a largely attended meeting of the Natural History Society at the rooms on Monday for the annual election of officers and reception of reports. The following were chosen to have charge of the work for the coming year: President, A. W. McCurdy, first vice-president, E. A. Wallace, second vice-president, J. R. Anderson, treasurer, Harold Nation, executive committee, W. J. Sutt, secretary, G. H. Denton, G. Hastings, trustee, W. F. Pullen and O. C. Combe and W. J. Sutton.

The president's address reviewed the work of the past season. Reference was made to the fact that last year for the first time the annual meeting was held in the winter. Only two field meetings had been held, but it was expected to arrange for more during the coming season.

"During the past summer," he said in conjunction with the provincial government and a committee of citizens, had the pleasure of arranging a programme for the entertainment of nearly 50 distinguished members of the British Association for the Advancement of Science. Although our visitors' time among us was only too brief, they appreciated the personal and public attention accorded them, and we in return had the pleasure of meeting men of great scientific attainments from all portions of the British Empire.

"I take great pleasure in reminding the society that Mr. Anderson's valuable work on the Forest Trees and Shrubs of British Columbia has been completed, and in manuscript form is now the property of the society. It is earnestly hoped that immediate publication will be made, and that it will be of great benefit to our members and many desirous of obtaining such an excellent work of reference pertaining to the province.

"Through the generosity of Mr. Sutton, who defrayed half the cost, we were enabled to publish his valuable paper entitled 'Our Timber Wealth and Its Conservation' at little expense, and other papers read before the society will also be published.

The report of the secretary showed that 25 regular meetings had been held during the year and two field meetings. The attendance showed a healthy increase. Twelve papers or addresses, mostly illustrated, had been given during the year. A number of additions had been made to the library. Efforts had been made to interest public bodies in the scheme for forming a national park in Canada.

In the report of the executive committee reference was made to a meeting held last December with Dr. Davidson, representing the Academy of Science. Vancouver, when certain verbal proposals were made for the publication by that body of certain papers of the society. This was not considered favorably, but the suggestion was made that the Vancouver society should make definite proposals in writing. No action had since transpired, however, in connection with the project.

At the conclusion of the business the usual votes of thanks were passed and the society examined a number of specimens and many entries were made in the phenological record, the meeting then adjourning.

HONORS AWAIT EXPLORER SHACKLETON Will Receive Gold Medal From U. S. National Geographical Society

New York, March 22.—New York will pay its respects to Sir Ernest and Lady Shackleton, who are to arrive in New York Friday. They will go direct to Washington to be guests of Ambassador Bryce. The explorer will be formally presented to President Taft, who will confer the gold medal of the National Geographic Society. Sir Ernest will return to New York that afternoon. Monday the Pilgrim Society will have him as its guest at a luncheon.

Monday evening, March 28th, the explorer will proceed to Canada. On his return from Canada the man who reached farthest south will sit at table with the man who reached the ultimate north, for on April 25th Sir Ernest Shackleton and Commander Robert E. Peary will be joint guests of honor at a banquet given by the Civic Forum at the Hotel Astor.

SPEAKER CANNON. Reported to Have Offered to Bet \$5,000 Allies Cannot Oust Him From Chair.

Washington, D. C., March 22.—Thus far today Speaker Cannon has not confirmed the report that he offered to give over \$5,000 to clarify if the house ousts him from the chair.

WILL PROBE METHODS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES Superintendent Declares Inquiry in New York Will Cause Upheaval

Motion to Dismiss Defeated at Monday's Meeting of the City Council

New York, March 22.—Superintendent William Hotchkiss of the state insurance department, announces that E. L. Kennedy, formerly a member of the committee of laws and legislation of the New York board of fire underwriters, will be compelled to tell the names of other men besides Auldridge who got money in connection with insurance legislation in the New York legislature. Kennedy, Hotchkiss stated, will be recalled to the stand for that purpose.

Hotchkiss reiterated his statement that the investigation into the "grat" alleged to have been collected by corrupt legislators from the insurance companies would cause an upheaval in New York and would involve men who are prominent in national politics.

The stand taken by former Governor Odell when he stated that he believed investigation into "long dead" graft was a farce, caused much discussion among politicians here. Odell said: "These investigations into corruption that have been a long time buried are a farce. I believe rather in preventing corruption at the present time."

Kennedy still asserts that he never paid money to a member of the legislature to influence any bill affecting insurance companies. He admitted, however, that a few thousand dollars had gone into the coffers of various political parties from the "yellow dog" fund of the insurance companies.

WILL REOPEN MILL. Moyle, March 21.—Anticipating a busy season the management of the Forest Rico Lumber Company's sawmill, two miles east of Moyle, will start up the planers on or about April 1st, while the sawmill commences cutting about a month later.

The logging camps have given employment to a good force of men throughout the winter and this staff will shortly be brought in to the mill, while additional men will be added to the force. When running the mill will give employment to some forty men.

WATERWORKS FOR DELTA. Vernon, March 21.—Work has been started by Colonel Tracy, of this city, on the construction of the waterworks system for Delta municipality.

The water, which is of excellent quality, will be obtained from the foot of the Sully hills, and a reservoir will be built on the hills, the water to be pumped up. This will give a good pressure in all parts of the municipality. A number of miles of mains will be laid, the work to cost over \$100,000.

CHARGE FOUND TO HAVE BEEN UNFOUNDED

Charles E. Dickinson, Formerly of Victoria, Acquitted of Wrong Doing

Victoria, March 22.—Charles E. Dickinson, formerly of Victoria and well known here, has had a disagreeable experience in Seattle. It has been found that a charge laid against him was unfounded, but he was obliged to pay the cost of the prosecution. Dickinson has withdrawn to establish an agency of his own and the enjoyment of a profitable business for six or seven months. Then came the accusation that he had stolen the wreck of the ship that had rested on Charles E. Dickinson, a dealer in general insurance, for almost a year, but it is cost Dickinson's dearly. He has left him with a name clear of all criminal taint, but his business integrity and success have suffered during the time that the finger of accusation was pointed at him.

From a business partnership, with a one-third interest in the J. M. E. Atkinson Company, one of the largest and most successful general insurance agencies in the Pacific Northwest, Dickinson had withdrawn to establish an agency of his own and the enjoyment of a profitable business for six or seven months. Then came the accusation that he had stolen the wreck of the ship that had rested on Charles E. Dickinson, a dealer in general insurance, for almost a year, but it is cost Dickinson's dearly.

When Dickinson, whose offices are in the Bailey building, came to cast up accounts after the accusation, he found that he had lost agencies in four companies and his old business had suffered a depreciation of 60 per cent. of the \$100,000 worth of insurance he had written in preceding sixteen months, following his withdrawal from the Atkinson firm. "I cannot find any guilt in you," said the representative of large London insurance company, who made a special trip to Seattle to investigate the charges against Dickinson, "but no agent in our employ has ever been accused and remained with us. I shall have to recommend the agency be taken from you."

MRS. KING TO RETAIN OFFICE MATRON AT ISOLATION HOSPITAL WILL STAY

Several Councilmen Hand in Resignations After Making Confessions

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Says Answers Furnished to His Questions Are Unsatisfactory

Victoria, B. C., March 22.—Ald. Fullerton got but little satisfaction in the answers furnished by Acting City Engineer Bryson to his series of questions relative to the whys and wherefores of the dismissal of a large number of men from sidewalk work.

When the answers were read to him at the city meeting, he expressed his disapproval in plain language, complaining that the information he desired—had he ordered the dismissal of the men—had not been given, and he promised to return to the attack at the next meeting.

Ald. Fullerton had previously handed to Mr. Bryson a list of three questions: What amount of cement work is at present under construction and not completed; what amount of cement sidewalk work passed by last year's council has yet to be completed, and by whose authority the cement sidewalk gangs are being laid off and for what reason?

To the first, the acting city engineer replied that work is now being prosecuted on Linden avenue, Toronto street, Princess avenue, Catherine street and Vancouver street. He furnished a long list also of the streets ordered done last year.

As to who is responsible for the gangs being laid off Mr. Bryson stated that after consultation with the mayor it was agreed as work was finished to lay off and reorganize the forces with a view of reducing the cost of permanent sidewalks.

It was this answer to which Ald. Fullerton took exception as being incomplete, and then asked some questions on the question of the relative merits of the day labor and contract systems, when finally Ald. Langley put a stop to the discussion by remarking that it was out of order.

The incident closed with Ald. Fullerton declaring that he was going to find out who was responsible or know the reason why.

NANAIMO CITIZENS' LEAGUE. Nanaimo, March 21.—The following officers were elected at the annual general meeting of the Citizens' League: President, Jno. W. Coburn; vice-president, Henry Shepherd; treasurer, Jno. Shaw. Secretary, Crouch handed in his resignation to the league, and was succeeded by J. W. Langley.

The resignation was accepted and his successor will be appointed by the executive.

DIES SUDDENLY. Cumberland, March 21.—Harry Martin, a well-known resident of this district, was found dead in bed at his residence on Courtenay road by a party visiting his house. Mr. Martin had been ailing for some time, but was not at all seriously ill. His sudden death was a surprise to his many friends and acquaintances. Death was caused by a blood clot in the heart.

STARTED IN JOKE; ENDED AT COURT Case Where Painter's Patience Was Less Than the Virginian's

When Trampas, in "The Virginian," called the Virginian by a term of opprobrium, the latter pointed his gun in Trampas' face and said, "When you call me that, smile," but Harry Cole, a painter, under similar circumstances at Esquimalt, did not give Peter Jarvis a chance to smile, instead he picked up a two by four piece of timber and butted it direct into Jarvis' wind.

The result was that when Jarvis recovered consciousness he took out a policeman and Cole appeared before the police court on Tuesday. The incident occurred on March 16th at Esquimalt, therefore the case was brought before Magistrate Jay in the provincial police court and the magistrate after hearing the evidence decided that Cole had received sufficient provocation and dismissed the matter.

BIG POULTRY RANCH ON VANCOUVER ISLAND Nanaimo Industry Will Put Ten Thousand Chickens on the Market

Nowhere Was He Able to Find Such Values as in This City

The biggest poultry ranch in British Columbia and one of the biggest if not the biggest in Canada, will be located at Nanaimo when the plans already well under way by E. B. Skinner are consummated.

As the location of his poultry farm Mr. Skinner purchased fifteen acres of cleared land from the Western Fuel Company, situated in the vicinity of the Harewood school house, and only about a mile and a half from the Nanaimo post office. On this land has been erected during the past few months a handsome residence large chicken brooder and incinerator houses. In this farm he will expend \$15,000 and expects to raise from eight to ten thousand chickens each year, from which number he will sell 1,200 or so of the best pullets and keep them for the replenishing of his roosts, and the remaining seven thousand chickens he will sell for food.

The chicken house is called a 15 unit building that is, a long structure 20x300 feet, divided into 15 separate coops, as it were, each coop capable of affording ample accommodation of 80 to 100 fowls. The coops are well lighted, well ventilated and are so equipped with canvas screens as to regulate the temperature throughout the year. For instance, during the summer weather the screens will be raised so as to allow of the uninterupted flow of air, while during extremely cold weather the screens are lowered, and everything is as snug and warm as a cozy corner. In the arrangement of this long shed everything is done to minimize the amount of labor required in the feeding of the fowl and in cleaning out the sheds which are connected with each other by means of swinging doors. From one end of the building to the other and through the fifteen sheds runs a overhead trolley on which feed is placed and commencing at shed No. 1, run along until the entire fifteen sheds are traversed, and the fowl in each one fed, then on returning, each shed is cleaned and the appearance of the fowl for several men is easily handled by one, which saving of labor is an important item in the successful raising of poultry as a business proposition.

Each of the fifteen sheds has its own separate runway 20x150 feet, and next season it is Mr. Skinner's intention to have runways for the opposite side of the building so that he will be able to give his fowls a new run each year, which he considers a very important item in connection with the health of the fowls.

The brooder house is 16x200 feet and is subdivided into compartments 5x12, each supplied with its own light and clear running water, with flows into overflow troughs, so that the little chicks are constantly supplied with an abundance of good water. This building is heated by hot water and has a capacity of 4,000 chickens. It is so fitted up that Mr. Skinner states with his methods of poultry raising he is able to look after the 4,000 chicks with no more labor than one would have with 400 chicks in the small coal oil brooder.

In the incubator house is installed a Cyphers incubator of 12 compartments, each of 500 egg capacity, or a total of 6,000. The incubator is equipped with valves and balance bars that the quantity of heat allowed to escape into the incubator is regulated to the proper temperature. So fine and accurate is the regulating mechanism on this incubator that if one only keeps a fire in the stove it is absolutely impossible to spoil the eggs.

TO ARBITRATE WAGE QUESTION Locomotive Firemen and Railway Managers Reach an Agreement

Chicago, March 22.—The Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers and the railroad general managers' committee today are considering a compromise measure submitted to them by Labor Commissioner Neill. The railway managers announced that they do not expect a strike of their firemen. Decision by both sides, to-day probably will definitely determine the matter.

W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood, was in session with a committee of that organization, Chairman Nixon, of the managers, held a conference with the members of his committee.

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Points in dispute: General wage increase averaging 12 1/2 per cent. Following two rules governing working conditions: "Any engineer, fireman or hostler, feeling himself aggrieved by the proposed increase before proper officials of the company by a committee of engineers of his own selection."

"Promotion of firemen to be engineers and run established on the date of seniority shall be in accordance with the rules agreed upon by the company and the regularly accredited representatives of firemen and such representatives shall be recognized in disputes that may arise in the application of the rules."

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Mr. Mitchell is very enthusiastic about this city after seeing other places. So enthused was he on landing here that he at once bought a house on Yates which he purchased for fifteen lots near the Jubilee hospital on Lee street. Nowhere on the prairies or in the other British Columbia towns was he able to find such value for his money here. In Vancouver, for instance, he found very little of the property revenue bearing, while the house and lot on Yates street, which he purchased for \$100,000, is worth a good deal more.

"The prairies are all right," said Mr. Mitchell, "everyone there seems prosperous, and the better they are doing the better it is for Victoria. We have everything to gain from their prosperity. Many Americans are going in and building up the towns, but the old settlers are looking to Victoria. Everyone is talking of Victoria and its wonderful climate, and strange to say, no one is knocking it. In a small house here it cost last winter \$100 for fuel alone. You can imagine what it would be in a big house on a cold winter."

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The snow is all gone in Saskatchewan but so far there is no growth. The farmers are, however, working on the crops and the crops should be in early. Last year was a good one there and the coming year seems likely to be just as good. It is a great country, and yes, you see I am sure it will always make a reservation in favor of the little spot at the south end of Vancouver Island.

"Business? Well I have not had much time to see the property since I arrived but I have put through one deal. I sold Mr. McLennan's big house on the 'Gorge' road to a Brandon Manitoba banker for \$12,000. The day before yesterday for \$12,000. The day before yesterday I bought a few days before on Burnside road to a Brandon man. Just now I am advising all my friends to buy a lot of this city."

Others besides Mr. Mitchell have been doing business. Westcott & Lerner report selling a house on the corner of Fernwood road and Centre road for \$17,000. A lot on Garbally road for \$1,000; two lots on Blackwood avenue for \$1,000, and half an acre and a house on Douglas street for \$2,100. They have inquiries for sheep runs and timber land.

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The confidence of the banking community in the future of British Columbia will be shown by the extension of branches of the Union Bank here. Especially is that confidence shown in the fact that the Union Bank has established a branch here. For some time ago the directors decided on extending its business so that it would stretch from coast to coast, and the opening of a branch in Vancouver, under the management of Thomas McCaffrey, followed. Next came a branch at Prince Rupert and now Victoria. The bank is a link in the strong chain of Union Bank agencies.

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While the city council is recommending a commission to go to the provincial government is considering action affecting the police. The commission is to be appointed to investigate the case of a police officer who was accused of a crime. The commission will report to the city council.

INDIAN WOUNDS Vancouver, March 22.—A man was injured today. The injury was caused by a fall from a height. The man is being treated in the hospital. The cause of the accident is being investigated.

UNFOUNDED REPORT Los Angeles, Cal., March 22.—A report that a man had been killed in a fire in Los Angeles is unfounded. The man is still alive and is being treated in the hospital. The fire was caused by a gas leak.

Chicago, March 22.—Labor Commissioner Neill announces that the wage question would be submitted by both sides to arbitration. He would not reveal the mode of settling the matter.

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The Union Bank is one of the most substantial of the Eastern monetary institutions. It was established in 1885 and has had office in Quebec for some years. It has been operating in the life insurance business, where it has helped immensely in the development of the country. A year ago the directors decided to extend their business so that it would stretch from coast to coast, and the opening of a branch in Vancouver, under the management of Thomas McCaffrey, followed.

Now a branch at Prince Rupert, and Victoria is added as a link in the chain of Union Bank agencies. The branch will be under the management of A. E. Christie, the manager of the staff being: C. H. Dunbar, L. Youngman, from the Calgary branch; W. S. Barton, late of Winnipeg, formerly of Winnipeg, with a high station as a banker and progressive, and several other experienced and well-known men.

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London, March 22.—The House of Lords to-day passed Lord Rosebery's resolution for the reform of the House of Lords by a vote of 125 to 17. The vote was a surprise, as part of the Rosebery resolution provided that hereditary or created peers should no longer be entitled to seats in the Upper House. It was expected that the action would prove obnoxious to the Lords. Government supporters, however, believe that the action was brought about by the introduction of a series of drastic resolutions, by Premier Asquith.

WORKMAN BURIED ALIVE

Rescuers Abandon Hope of Saving Comrade Caught by Cave-in in Shaft.

Memoria, Cal., March 22.—After working here for more than 18 hours to reach William Pickering, who was buried beneath 50 feet of sand and timber when a well shaft caved in on the Richardson's ranch last evening, his fellow workmen late to-day abandoned all hope of rescuing him. Shortly afternoon to-day the workmen succeeded in drilling through cement casing with which the shaft was lined. They were unable, however, to find the body of their comrade, nor could they get response to signals repeatedly rapped on the steel that indicated the tubing.

Preparations were made to-day to sink a second shaft outside the cement casing. It is believed that through this shaft it will be possible to recover the body.

RAILWAY DISASTER

Forty-seven Persons Dead as Result of Train Wreck.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 22.—Forty-seven persons are dead as the result of the wreck of the Rock Island train between yesterday. Six of the persons injured in the wreck cannot survive, according to statements of physicians at the hospitals at Marshalltown to-day. Mrs. Peats, who was reported dead, is alive and uninjured. A body thought to be hers was taken to the morgue. Later she communicated with the authorities and told them that she had escaped injury and had been taken from the scene of the wreck shortly after it occurred.

KING EDWARD'S HEALTH

London, March 22.—Private advice to-day from Biarritz, where King Edward is under the care of doctors, contradicts the official bulletin issued by the King's physicians in which it is declared that his condition is improved. According to the private message, King Edward showed every sign of being in a serious condition when he appeared on the street to-day. The physicians in charge of his Majesty still continue to issue encouraging bulletins.

TRAIN DERAILED

Des Moines, Iowa, March 22.—Five trains were hit when a train on the Minneapolis & St. Louis railway was derailed near Fort Dodge to-day.

MAY INQUIRE INTO POLICE COMMISSION

Attorney-General's Department Making Recommendation to Government

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

While the city council is backward about recommending the appointment of a commission to go into the question of the Smith's Hill reservoir, the attorney-general's department, the government is reported to be asked to appoint a commission to go into all questions connected with the police commission, and the administration of affairs by it.

The commission it is likely will be named at once and enter upon its duties without delay.

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AUDIENCE DISAPPOINTED AT EX-MAYOR'S ABSENCE

Reason Why Dr. Lewis Hall Did Not Address Council Monday Evening

A large number of citizens and ratepayers were attracted to the council chamber on Monday in the expectation that ex-Mayor Dr. Lewis Hall would be present and address the board in accordance with the announcement made in the Times. Dr. Hall did not put in an appearance and the crowd was much disappointed.

Dr. Hall was interviewed by the Times on Tuesday as to the reasons which actuated him in remaining away from the meeting. "Late in the afternoon," said the doctor, "I ascertained that the council was likely to ask for a commission to inquire into the reservation matter and I felt, that being the case, a good portion of the statement I intended making might better be made before the commission, as I assumed that I would be summoned as a witness. At the same time I may seek an opportunity to address either the city council or the streets committee in explanation of the mayor's criticism of what happened during my term of office."

PANAMA FAIR SITE

Los Angeles Will Support San Francisco in Event of Deadlock.

Santa Barbara, Cal., March 22.—A new possibility in the Panama exposition controversy was foreshadowed to-day when it became known that six members of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Los Angeles have been instructed to cast their votes for San Francisco in the event of a deadlock in the state chamber of commerce convention that is trying to arbitrate the claims of San Francisco and San Diego as an exposition site.

THE HEINZE CASE

New York, March 22.—Judge Holt to-day announced that on April 26th he will hear testimony on the merits of the indictments returned by the federal grand jury in the case of Augustus Heinze. The indictments resulted from a federal investigation of the United Copper Company.

NEW IMMIGRATION REGULATION PASSED

Persons Entering Canada Must Have \$25 in Cash Besides Transportation

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 22.—An order-in-council has been passed providing that any emigrant, male or female, entering Canada, including also persons coming from across the border, between March 31st and October 30th, must have in his or her possession at the time of arrival at least \$25 in cash, in addition to a ticket or such sum of money as will purchase transportation to said emigrant's destination in Canada. It is also provided that if females are the heads of families and are accompanied by such members of family he or she must have a further sum of money equivalent to \$25 for each member of the family beyond the age of five and fifteen years, in addition to tickets or sum of money equivalent to transportation to the place of their destination in Canada.

RIVER RISES

Ottawa, March 22.—Rain and mild weather yesterday caused a rapid rise in the Thames river, and the water is now at the highest point reached this season. As there is little ice to cause a jam, however, no danger from the flood is anticipated.

MAN'S BODY IS FOUND IN FRASER

Had Been Missing Since January 18—In and Out of Work

New Westminster, March 22.—The badly decomposed body of a man was found floating in the north arm of the Fraser at the end of Fourth avenue by George L. Cassidy and a friend out on a pleasure trip in a gasoline launch. The body proved to be that of Thorleif Otsson, or Oddson, an Icelandic man who has been missing from the West End boarding house since January 18th.

The police were notified that he was missing on January 22nd, and from then till Saturday no word was heard of him. At the boarding house he left his watch and a small sum of money, \$2.65, when he walked quietly away without saying a word to anyone as to where he was going.

Odson was about 21 years of age and was well liked by all his countrymen in the city. He had been in hard luck for some time previous to his disappearance. In September he was going on the steamer Georgia to look for a job, when the gang plank was suddenly pulled in, striking him on the left leg and breaking it. That put him in the hospital for about three weeks and he found trouble getting work when he got out. He came from Sigufyrild, Iceland, and it is supposed that he has friends and relatives there, although no one here seems to know them.

TAFT SILENT ON TARIFF

New York, March 22.—President Taft refused after his speech, making a round-about journey from Chicago, at the home of his brother Henry here. The President refused to reveal the status of the Canadian tariff treaty. Neither would he discuss the present political conditions in New York, or the legislative insurance investigation at Albany.

SOUTH SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL

QUESTION NOT BROUGHT UP AT MEETING

Petition Praying for Road to Gordon Head is Considered

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

At the last meeting of the South Saanich Council the usual quota of communications were read and discussed from the meeting. "Late in the afternoon," said the doctor, "I ascertained that the council was likely to ask for a commission to inquire into the reservation matter and I felt, that being the case, a good portion of the statement I intended making might better be made before the commission, as I assumed that I would be summoned as a witness. At the same time I may seek an opportunity to address either the city council or the streets committee in explanation of the mayor's criticism of what happened during my term of office."

The feature of the meeting was the presentation by Councillor Hobbs of a petition from the residents of the beach at Gordon Head to St. Margaret's Bay. This has been a burning question for several years at Gordon Head, and several attempts have been made to secure this right, and it is fully expected that the council's action on the petition will result in an exploring the much sought after road. It was laid on the table till next meeting.

R. H. Green, Mt. Tolmie, asked for a survey of the corner of McKay road and Tyndal avenue. This was referred to the road superintendent with power to act.

T. R. Bailey, Keating, wrote a lengthy communication asking under the circumstances related that the council refund the pound fees on his horse, which was impounded last year. The council of the previous year having decided that he was not entitled to this refund, communication was received and filed.

Drake, Jackson & Helmecken, acting on behalf of J. Sinclair, Cadboro Bay, disputed the right of the council to order their client to move his fence back to the lines shown on maps filed in the registry office, stating that they did not recognize that survey. This was laid on the table.

P. Elliott informed the council that an association had been formed to be known as the "Quadra Heights Property Owners' Association." Its purpose was to co-operate with the council in settling the portion of the district and securing the erection of desirable residences, etc.

Councillor Sewell moved that the writer be notified that the council was pleased to note the interest and cooperation between the two coasts, and then we can stop and think whether we wish to go further. Perhaps by that time there will be adopted a means of peace and amicable relations between the two coasts, and then we can stop and think whether we wish to go further. Perhaps by that time there will be adopted a means of peace and amicable relations between the two coasts, and then we can stop and think whether we wish to go further.

He will be informed that streets must be 66 feet wide, and that the road superintendent will investigate whether straighter street lines would not be practical.

Crease & Crease submitted plans of sub-division 45, Cadboro Bay. Councillor Grant called attention to the fact that the water front was proposed to be shut off to the public. He advised that no plans should be water-front properties that did not recognize the public right of access to the beach. The council had expropriation powers which, if used when properties were cut up in small lots would work a hardship on the owners. Now was the time to set matters right.

Several councillors were of the same opinion, and it was decided to request that means of access be provided in the finished plans.

Letters were received from F. B. Pemberton, J. E. Wilson, D. R. Ker, L. R. Forbes and Appleton relative to the bad condition of Finnetry and Arbutus roads.

Councillor Hobbs wished the council to notice the weight of the petitions in Ward 3, claiming that the complaints were well founded, and moved that they be taken up with the estimates. This carried.

B. G. Goward and Thornton Fell asked if Mrs. Newton had authority from the council to detain his cattle. The answer of the council to this query was no. It was optional whether Mrs. Newton should detain the cattle or turn them on the road.

W. R. Gosling, Keating, and the four other writers stating that the inlet to their property costing \$300 last year was washed away in the late floods, and that they had expended \$100 in creating a large quantity of wine to increase the harmless merriment and happiness of the wedding guests.

He concluded by saying that the attorney-general's report on the tariff was "unjust, unequal and disproportionate taxation," was "a part of that Socialistic movement which threatens the liberties of England and that the most widespread opposition."

MANY CONTRACTS ARE AWARDED

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO BE SPENT IN WEST

Much Work Planned by Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Pacific

Winnipeg, March 23.—Contracts which will involve an expenditure of millions of dollars were let by the C. P. R. yesterday through Assistant Chief Engineer J. B. Schwaner. In the Farther West most of the new work of the year will be done by Foley, Welch & Stewart, and near to Winnipeg it is expected almost all contracts will go to J. D. McArthur.

In Alberta, the Kipp extension will be built by Foley, Welch & Stewart. This line has been proposed to Little Bow river. It is now proposed to extend it from Carmanagan to a point southeast of Calgary. Next year the line will be continued until a junction is effected with the Calgary-Macleod branch. The extension of the Langdon branch will also be built by the Foley, Welch & Stewart firm. This extension, or spur, leaves the Langdon branch at Irricana and runs in a southeasterly direction, the intention being to afford facilities to the large number of locations in the west. The Weburn extension will be built by the J. D. McArthur Co., and the expectation is that this company will remain on this work for several years or until the line is built through to wards Lethbridge. Only twenty-five miles of the dump will be completed this year. The J. D. McArthur Co. will also build the Outlook extension. This is a ninety-mile job, the work beginning on the north side of the Saskatchewan and continuing until the point is reached where the road branches off to the west. The work on the Macklin end is a separate contract.

No announcement was made with reference to the contract for construction of the line from Regina to Colonsay. It is understood that the order for the building of a line from Regina to Griffin has been withdrawn. The Grand Trunk Pacific is to build a line through the same territory, and it is stated that, for this purpose the C. P. R. did not receive the privilege, prior rights being obtained by the new road.

Orders were called for a double track from Winnipeg to Portage, but the contract has not been awarded.

G. T. P. Contracts

The contract for the construction of the line from Regina to Colonsay, Regina to Estevan and Portage has been awarded to the J. D. McArthur Co.

Irrigation Work

What is stated to be the most important contract of its kind ever let in Western Canada will be let within the next ten days, and a number of sub-contractors who are by the way are much interested in it. This is for the moving of twenty-five million yards of earth. No such block of work, it is said, has ever been tendered in the West, although larger contracts involving rock work have been let. The earthwork is to be in the irrigation district of the C. P. R. east of Gleichen, Alberta. Last year the contract for similar work was secured by Foley, Welch & Stewart, and the same firm will unquestionably tender on the work this season. In 1908 the firm of Colonsay, who were frequently obliged to beach the boat to prevent foundering.

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Realty Agents Get Many Letters From Out of the Way Places

The widespread interest being taken in British Columbia at the present time is pretty well indicated in the fact that letters are being received from all parts of the world inquiring about the city and its opportunities for investment. It was the only the government bureau of information and the Development League that does this. The realty agents get their share, especially those that advertise a good deal.

Two especially interesting inquiries were recently received by Pemberton & Sons, one from Roumania and the other from Southern Nigeria. Each of these have asked for information relative to the prospects here. Victoria's fame has travelled even to these remote regions, and those who are anxious to find a better place in which to live are keeping their eyes this way.

GIRL POISONED

Windsor, March 23.—Edith, the five-year-old daughter of Jas. Scholes of the sidewalk shed yesterday morning and devoured half the contents of a box. She was immediately taken to hospital with convulsions, death resulting in half an hour.

SALOON LICENSES AGAIN DISCUSSED

Nelson City Council Decide Not to Secure Further Legal Advice

Nelson, March 21.—The city council has decided to make a beginning with the work of placing meters on the electric light service in the city and the first victims have been selected. An interesting discussion took place on the relative advantages of contract and day labor in the laying of cement sidewalks and the council decided to guarantee that cost of construction to property owners should not exceed the engineer's estimate. Among the other interesting matters discussed was the effectiveness of fire protection in hotels and boarding houses.

The question of meters was brought up in the report of the fire, water and light committee.

Ald. McArthur explained that the idea was to extend the metering system as funds became available.

A brick debate followed the motion of J. A. McDonald, seconded by H. Mackenzie, that the city solicitor should be instructed to secure the advice of E. V. Bodwell of Victoria, regarding the proposed amendment to the Trades License by-law abolishing saloon licenses.

Ald. McDonald said that if the cost of the advice was over \$50 he would pay the difference himself. He thought that the ratepayers would be better satisfied if further advice was obtained. If the city solicitor was right the saloons might go on for ever.

The mayor said the opinion would be of no practical value. The by-law had been postponed for six months and the opinion could not alter that fact. The council passed the opinion without action until after the six months and by that time the license commissioners would have taken action.

Ald. Rutherford thought that if the by-law could be brought up again until after the six months and by that time the license commissioners would have taken action.

After discussion the motion was put and lost, only Aids. McDonald and Mackenzie voting for it.

SHIPWRECKED MEN TELL EXPERIENCES

Farallon's Boat Crew Have Arrived at Seattle After Many Hardships

The harrowing experiences of a boatload of men who put out from the Farallon, wrecked in Ilanama Bay last January, to summon assistance, was related in the first time upon the arrival in Seattle on the Olympia of Mate Swanson, Otto Nelson and C. Peterson, part of the crew picked up after many weeks of exposure by the revenue cutter Tahoma. All hope for the men had been abandoned when on March 18th, as the cutter was on her way to Alaska, the officers learned that they had gone to Afognak, where later they were discovered. A. Bailey, engineer of the launch Sea Wolf, and hero of the trip, remained in the North. Captain Wilder, of the vessel, is also at Kodiak, while Charles Bourne, the mate of the Farallon, was left at Kasilof Bay.

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TEMPORARY SCHOOL AT WEST HOLME

Building May Be Erected Later by Government—Duncan Trustees Meet

Duncan, March 21.—The trustees met at the K. of P. building on Thursday last. Application was made to the government for a grant for children living in government school districts attending municipal schools.

A letter was received from the department of education advising the board to open a temporary school at Westholme, and in the event of this proving a success the government will build a school at that point. It was decided that the department be asked to supply furnishings for the temporary school.

Trustees Herd and Henderson were appointed a deputation to wait upon the government regarding the sale of school property at Maple Bay. The sum of \$2 was voted towards the prize list for the King's Daughters' flower show.

Mr. Woodworth's salary was increased to \$80 per month with prospect of a further increase of \$10 a month at the end of the year, subject to the approval of the new board.

TAFT SCORED BY DEMOCRAT

POLICY BLAMED FOR THREATENED TARIFF WAR

Representative Palmer Declares Trusts Have Been Favored

Washington, D. C., March 22.—Declaring the "insurgents" had been "whipped into line" and charging congress and the administration with failure to keep party platform pledges, Representative Palmer (Democrat), of Pennsylvania, made a peppy speech in the House to-day during general debate on the pension bill. The tariff came in for much unflattering comment.

"The 'insurgents' have been whipped into line," he said, "by refusal of a share of the public patronage. A successful use of the most gigantic bluff in history, men of independent thought and action have been corralled into a party caucus and forced to be good."

"And what has become of the Republican platform pledges? The president's legislative programme started out bravely, but one after another, we see items in this programme go down before the insidious assault of the system which now unfortunately controls the executive as well as the legislative branch of the government."

Discussing President Taft's recent speech on the tariff, Palmer said: "If Taft was but half as anxious to save the working man's pennies by cheaper cotton goods as he was to save the steel trust by dumping raw materials into the mills at reduced cost, he would have enshrined his name in the hearts of the poor and the proud would not be sung in the counting houses of protected wealth."

"He might have won the plaudits of the home builders if he had pursued the construction of a tariff reduction in the lumber tariff at the price of a trade war with Canada, now all too imminent."

"If he had given thought to the millions of shivering poor who must now pay from a third to a half more in price for woollens, the party would have lost the generous contributions of the West's sheep trust."

SENDS BULLET INTO HEAD

Man Ends Life When Refused Kiss by Woman With Whom He Was Infatuated.

San Francisco, Cal., March 22.—After being refused a kiss by Mrs. Borso, whose head he held a revolver to enforce his request, Alfred Peterson, of 1169 Vermont street, went to his home and shot himself through the head while the police were searching for him on the complaint of Mrs. Borso. Peterson died yesterday at the Lane hospital from his wounds. He leaves a wife and two children.

Peterson had been married several years. Until a month ago his wife and he were contented. Then the man met Mrs. Borso. He became infatuated with her. He neglected his work and his own family. He gave no intimation of his affection for Mrs. Borso until Monday, when he found her home alone. He pressed a revolver to her head and demanded that she kiss him. She refused and in the ensuing struggle he dropped the revolver. He then hastened to his home and shot himself.

FORESTRY STUDENTS WANTED

Toronto, March 2.—The Pennsylvania Railway Company has applied to Prof. Fernow, dean of forestry in Toronto university, for two graduates and a considerable number of student assistants for its huge forestry branch.

CHINOOKS RENDER ROADS IMPASSABLE

Freight Consigned to Dawson Is Held at White Horse

Dawson, Y. T., March 2.—The overland Dawson-White Horse winter road has been ruined in the past few days by Chinooks, and three weeks of snow usual, and breaking all records for an early spring.

Tons of freight at White Horse is billed to Dawson via sleighs, but cannot be brought. It will probably be hauled down Fifty-Mile river and Lake Le Barge. Instead of reaching Dawson the end of the month, Dawson may not see the goods until the end of May. The freight includes a thousand cases of eggs from Seattle and Vancouver. The possibility of snowfall and a drop of temperature is very slight. Two hundred passengers en route to Dawson will have to come over the trail. Coaches will be run with relays of four horses.

FUNERAL OF LATE G. PLANTA AT NANAIMO

City Council Passes Resolution of Sympathy and Adjourns

Nanaimo, March 22.—The funeral of the late Gordon Planta took place Sunday afternoon from the family residence, Newcastle Townsite, to St. Paul's church, the cortege being led by the Boys' Brigade band, playing funeral marches. The Orpheus Glee Club also attended the funeral in a body, and fell in behind the band, the mourners following the hearse. At the church Rev. Silva White conducted a beautiful funeral service, after which the cortege wended its way to the Nanaimo cemetery, where the interment took place. Rev. Silva White conducted burial services, after which the band played "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Lead Kindly Light" was sung by the Orpheus Glee Club. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, attesting the widespread sympathy for the sorrowing family, and the respect in which the deceased was held throughout the city.

The pallbearers, all former companions of the deceased, were George Archibald, G. Davis, A. Waddington, G. Bertram, G. Fisher and J. McKeen. Last night's meeting of the council adjourned without doing any business, out of respect to Mayor Planta. At the appointed hour for the meeting Ald. McKee was elected to the chair and immediately Ald. Leicester moved the following resolution:

"That the sincere sympathy of the members of the council be tendered to Mayor and Mrs. Planta, in their sorrow and bereavement caused by the death of their late son Gordon, and as a mark of respect to the bereaved family, that the council do now rise."

FOOTBALL GAME TO BE PLAYED AT ALBERNI

Surveyors and United Club to Meet—Amateurs Will Present Comedy

Alberni, March 22.—The return football match between teams from the E. & N. surveyors and the Alberni United Football Club will take place on the afternoon of Good Friday, March 25th. The meeting of the West Coast Football Club, which had been called for Friday night to consider the protest from the Port Alberni club, was postponed until next Wednesday evening. The Amateur Dramatic Club of Alberni will present on Friday, April 1st, a comedy entitled "The New Tutor." L. A. Withers, the star of last year's pantomime, will appear in the title role, and will be assisted by Messrs. Bayne, Stevens, Roff, Moorhead, Macle and Costen, and Mesdames Gullod, Haslam and Prescott. The proceeds of the performance will be devoted to charity.

On Wednesday evening the 18th inst., a public meeting of the citizens of Alberni was held in the court house for the purpose of considering the report of the citizens' committee appointed to take up the matter of a discrimination between the two towns by the Alberni Land Company's agents, with the Land Company direct, and J. Thomson, secretary of that committee, reported that the committee had received little or no satisfaction. After considerable discussion it was unanimously decided that the committee should be re-elected of further duty, and that the board of trade be requested to assume and carry on its work. The committee was tendered a hearty vote of thanks for the work it had done.

LARGE COPPER STRIKE

Ashcroft, March 22.—Highland Valley development is proceeding rapidly. An important strike of a large body of low grade copper ore has been made in the Highland Valley about a mile southeast of Fish Lake. The find was made by Prospector Norton and is in the same mineral belt as the Top-notch and Tamarac claims. An assay of the ore shows a value of 4 per cent. copper and \$1.50 in gold, and should run from \$10 and over to the ton. Already a tunnel has been run for over a hundred feet and the ledge crossed, showing a miners' body of fifty-five feet. Work is being continued to locate the walls of the ledge. Three claims have been staked by Mr. Norton, with whom Jack McGillivray is associated and will be known as the Blue Jacket group. George Chataway of Highland Valley, spent the week in town. He has incorporated his mining interests in Highland Valley, consisting of the Top-notch, Evelyn and Homerun claims, belonging to himself and his brother, Parties in Detroit, Mich., and Butte, Mont., have subscribed quite heavily.

PATIENT LEAPS FROM WINDOW

Edmonton, March 22.—The Misericordia hospital was the scene of a fatal accident. The victim was William Barber, aged 38. He was taken to the hospital on Sunday, suffering from typhoid fever, and Monday night, in delirium, while the nurse was absent from the room for a moment he walked to the window, raised it and jumped through the screen to the ground, three stories below. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and taken back to his bed, where he expired yesterday. He leaves a wife and four children. The case is a particularly sad one, owing to the destitute circumstances of the family. They are now left here without any means of support.

NEW OWL TRAIN

Calgary, March 22.—Commencing June 1st, the Canadian Pacific will run a tri-weekly midnight train from Calgary to Strathcona. There has been considerable agitation for this service and the company will put it on for one month. If the patronage warrants the trains will be continued.

The wind gauges on board ships registers up to 105 miles an hour

ENJOYABLE CONCERT AT CEDAR HILL

Entertainment Was Under Auspices of St. Andrew's Ladies' Auxiliary

Gordon Head, March 22.—On Monday evening an splendid concert was given in the Cedar Hill Temperance hall under the auspices of the St. Alden's Ladies' Auxiliary. The majority of numbers on the programme was provided by Plowright's orchestra. F. A. Sparks and Sidney Williams also contributed largely to the programme. After the concert it was moved by G. E. Davidson and seconded by Rev. R. W. Collins that a vote of thanks be given to those who were so generous. Ice cream and candies were sold and refreshments were served by the ladies.

Under the direction of the Victoria Farmers' Institute, Dr. J. J. Judd, ex-president of Oregon Dairyman's Association, and Mrs. Dr. Watt, of Metchosis, will address meetings at Colquhoun on Monday, March 28th, 8 p. m.; Cedar Hill, Tuesday, March 29th, 8 p. m.; North Dairy school house, Wednesday, March 30th, 8 p. m. Mr. Judd's lectures are very interesting and amusing as well as instructive, and everybody should make a point of hearing him. Mrs. Dr. Watt will address the school children and their parents at Royal Oak school house on Monday, March 28th, 3 p. m.; H. Robertson school, Tuesday, March 29th, 3 p. m.; North Dairy school, Wednesday, March 30th, 3 p. m.

TIMBER SUIT HAD TO BE POSTPONED

Wilson vs. McClure Involves Ownership of Some Valuable Limits

An interesting suit involving the ownership of some valuable timber limits was down for hearing in the Supreme court Wednesday, but had to be postponed owing to serious illness of the plaintiff, W. E. Wilson. A special jury had been summoned and in attendance, counsel and witnesses were present and all was ready to go on. The case was that of Wilson vs. McClure. The allegation of plaintiff is that he staked several timber claims, which had been previously staked by some of the defendants fraudulently. Mr. Wilson called for a declaration that these belong to him or, in the alternative, for \$25,000 damages. W. J. Taylor, K.C., is acting for plaintiff, R. T. Elliott, K.C., for defendant, Jones and H. E. Robertson and H. W. R. Moore for the other defendants.

When the case was called before Chief Justice Hunter on Wednesday Mr. Taylor stated that his client was ill and that the doctor in attendance would not permit his going out at present. After some conference between counsel his lordship granted an adjournment until after the Easter vacation. The case will be taken up again on April 5th, to which date the jury was dismissed.

TENDERS FOR SCHOOL SITES ARE CONSIDERED

W. A. Gleason Will Have to Comply With Contract for Boards

The school board held a special meeting Tuesday night to consider the sites offered the board for the new high school. After considerable comparison of the sites, two were selected for making the final choice. These will be considered again by the members and a final choice made at the next regular sitting of the board. W. A. Gleason will be informed that the board will require him to fulfil the contract for blackboards as originally signed. The contractor applied to the board for a modification of the specifications saying the specifications called for a board twice as thick as those used in other schools and asking that the same be allowed in the new contract. The board, however, after looking into the matter decided the specifications were quite clear when the contractor tendered and he will have to comply with them, despite his representation that he will be involved in an extra expenditure of \$600.

Amie S. Gould was appointed to the teaching staff at a salary of \$55 per month. Frances E. Hahn applied for the position of girls' physical instructor, submitting testimonials. Mrs. Jenkins urged that the girls should have physical training as well as the boys. The application of Miss Hahn was laid over until such time as an appointment for this work is decided upon. The superintendent will compile figures dealing with the number of scholars attending the schools and showing to what extent the school rooms are overcrowded.

LAND OWNERSHIP IN JAPAN

Tokio, March 22.—The House of Peers to-day passed the bill regulating the ownership of land in Japan by foreigners. The bill was amended in the house of representatives so that only foreign residents in Japan shall be allowed to own land. Preparations were made to-day for the formal adjournment of the Diet tomorrow.

It was stated at an inquest at Manchester that a woman who earned her living by gathering waste paper in the streets rented four houses for a total of £12 2s per week, and by being separate rooms made a profit of 30s.

PITT RIVER FARMER KNIFED A NEIGHBOR

Two Men Are Seriously Injured As the Result of a Quarrel

New Westminster, March 22.—A Sunday stabbing affray which may end fatally occurred at Pitt Meadows about 11 o'clock. S. H. Ford, a farmer, got into an argument with Mr. McKenzie, a neighbor, over some land, and finally drew a knife and attempted to stab him. There were several persons present at the time and F. Le Lion, another neighbor, interfered. The blow intended for McKenzie struck Le Lion in the back, inflicting a terrible wound. As he was falling he made a tremendous effort and kicked Ford on the head. Ford was desperate and it took four men to control him. In the fracas he attempted to stab August Shultz, but the knife glanced from his pocket and did not cut him. Ford was roughly handled by the other men, who struck him on the face and head.

Le Lion may die, but Dr. Kenny, who attended him, says that there is no immediate danger. The provincial police were notified at once and Constable White, of the Victoria and Herbert Ruskon, immediately left in a gasoline launch for the scene. When they arrived Ford and Le Lion were both in bed, the latter very weak from loss of blood. Ford was at once placed under arrest.

KAMLOOPS BAPTISTS

Kamloops, March 22.—Rev. C. W. Corey, of St. John, N. B., has accepted the call of the Kamloops Baptist church, and will soon be in this city to take up the work. Mr. Corey is a native of Havelock, Westmoreland county, N. B., and is the son of a Baptist minister. He graduated in arts at Acadia University in 1887, being a college contemporary and personal friend of L. A. Palmer of this city, also from the same county. He took his theological training at the Newton seminary, near Boston, Mass.

For several years Mr. Corey was settled in the west as pastor of Strathcona church, Edmonton, with Premier Carterford as a parishioner. More recently he has been the representative of the western Baptist convention in the Maritime provinces. Mr. and Mrs. Corey were fellow-students at the university, she being a member of the class of 1888. Together they may be expected to give to religious work in this city a strong reinforcement.

WHALER SEBASTIAN WILL GO TO KYUQUOT

William Grant May Be Sent to the Queen Charlottes

Steam whaler Sebastian, which arrived here Tuesday afternoon, made the trip from the island of Newfoundland in 96 days. She was in charge of Captain Anderson and a crew of ten men. As soon as she has been overhauled she will go to the West coast to hunt whales from the Kyuquot station.

On the fourth steam whaler will be discharged in sections from the Blue Funnel liner Titan during the next few days, and it is understood will be operated from the Queen Charlotte Island station at Rose Harbor, where the buildings and machinery for the reduction works are now being prepared. Captain Huff is now at Rose Harbor superintending the erection of the buildings and the construction of a suitable wharf for the station, and operations will commence within the next month or two. With the addition of two steamers to the fleet the catch is likely to be very much increased.

GEODETIC SURVEY ESTABLISHED HERE

Dr. Bigger, of Ottawa, On the Coast in Connection With Work C. A. Bigger, Dominion astronomer of the observatory at Ottawa is at present on the coast establishing a branch of the geodetic survey of Canada. He has at present O. M. Stitt, B.A., Sc., with Mr. Black as assistant, making a preliminary reconnaissance along the coast for the purpose of fixing astronomically the geographical position of certain points. Mr. Bigger made a flying visit to Prince Rupert and will remain on this coast until the end of the month. Discussing the subject this morning he stated that a great deal of interest was being taken throughout Canada in scientific subjects. Ten years ago it was difficult to arouse an interest in scientific work, but now all branches were being encouraged and investigation was proceeding apace. A great deal of interest was being taken in astronomy in the East and all other branches of scientific investigation were equally active.

NEW SCHOOL FOR FERNIE

Fernie, March 22.—At a meeting of the school trustees it was decided to purchase a lot in West Fernie and to request Dr. Robinson to expedite the building of a school there. O. Leslie Bruce of New Westminster, was engaged as principal of the Central school and Miss Hogan as assistant principal, with an increase of salary. The present school facilities not being sufficient another room is to be opened at once to accommodate the pupils.

EXCHEQUER BONDS

London, March 22.—The applications for £100,000 of three-year exchequer bonds were so large that the lists were closed yesterday instead of on Wednesday. The £1 2s per week, and by being separate rooms made a profit of 30s.

MAIL ARRANGEMENTS TO OTTER POINT OFFICE

Residents Protest Against Any Change—Surveying Transmission Line

Otter Point, March 22.—A public meeting was held in the school-house on the 18th inst., at which a resolution was passed protesting against any change being made in the mail-carrying arrangements at present in effect between Victoria and Otter Point. It is said the Sooke and Otter Point Development Association has gone on record as being in favor of one service from Victoria to Sooke and a separate contract between Sooke and Otter Point, hence the protest by local residents. A resolution was also passed expressing the desire of the people to select their own road foreman.

A number of men under Mr. McDonald are engaged in reconstructing the Muir creek bridge, which was carried away by the unusual frosts of last November. After this work has been completed the Tugwell creek bridge will be renewed. The surveyors who are locating the power transmission line between Jordan river and Victoria have passed Otter Point and are now operating some distance further on. Men have been getting out poles for this work.

A pleasant social and dance was held in the school-house on the evening of St. Patrick's day, the room being appropriately decorated.

Mrs. C. King, who has been unwell for some time, has been compelled to enter the Jubilee hospital at Victoria for treatment.

ARRANGE MEETING FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Victoria Liberal Association to Perfect Organization for Ensuing Year

An important meeting of the executive of the Liberal Association was held Tuesday night when the most encouraging reports were received as to party prospects in this constituency. Arrangements were made for the annual meeting of the association for the election of officers for the ensuing year. On the second Tuesday in April a meeting will be held for the nomination of officers and the executive committee, and on the fourth Tuesday in April the election will be held.

On the occasion of the latter meeting M. B. Jackson will deliver an address to the members of the association on Canada's naval policy. Mr. Jackson has made a close study of the subject and when he has to say will, it is expected, prove especially interesting.

LIFEBOAT CREW ARE RECOGNIZED

Hon. Wm. Templeman Secures Grant of \$300 for Volunteers

A special dispatch to the Times from Ottawa states that Hon. William Templeman, acting minister of marine and fisheries, has authorized a grant of three hundred dollars a year to be made to the volunteer life-saving crew at Victoria. The lifeboat has been manned for some time by a crew comprised of members of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city. E. T. Larvie is the senior coxswain appointed by the local lifeboat association, and E. M. C. A. man, Ed. Williams, is the junior coxswain. A. J. Brace, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is the stroke, and there are nine other members of the crew with six spotters.

LOCAL NEWS

The W.C.T.U. home committee very gratefully acknowledge donations from the following ladies: Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Brak and Mrs. Frank Grant. The roadways surrounding the parliament buildings are to be laid with a permanent pavement, at a cost of some \$20,000. Hassam pavement has been selected. C. E. Redfern will shortly undertake the work of repairing the large clock in the tower at the city hall. The clock has been running constantly without an overhaul for the past eighteen years. No contribution will be made by the city council of Victoria towards the memorial which is to be erected at Halifax to celebrate the date of the introduction of responsible government in the Maritime provinces. The council sat in special private session Tuesday to consider the estimates for the coming year. Progress was made, but another meeting will have to be held before the budget is prepared in its complete and final form. Members of Victoria Council, 434 United Commercial Travellers, are requested to note that under instructions from the senior councillor and officers the meeting to be held on Thursday evening is cancelled. The next meeting will be held on the usual meeting night, viz., the second Friday in April. The attorney-general's department is preparing to take advantage of the more stringent provisions for the enforcement of the Timber Manufacture act which were enacted last session. Hereafter tugs or steamers found towing logs which are being exported from the province in defiance of the law will be seized on the spot and logs and steamer will be confiscated and sold. Two fast steamers are to be put on

PRESBYTERIANS WILL ISSUE CALL TO PASTOR

Meeting St. Andrew's Church, Alberni—Notes District

Alberni, March 22.—A meeting of the members of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was held in the church on Friday night for the purpose of deciding on the issue of a call to a pastor. After some discussion by those present it was decided to take no vote of the meeting, but to provide all members of the church with ballot papers so as to obtain a full expression of opinion. J. Biddle, of the Banfield lifeboat crew, who had been in Alberni on a leave of absence, returned to duty on Friday on the steamer Tees. E. Erickson, who had been in Victoria and Seattle on business, returned home on Saturday's stage. J. H. Austin and J. A. Virtue of Victoria, were visitors in town during the past week.

Mrs. C. M. Pines left on Monday on a visit to her parents in Victoria. J. F. Biedose, formerly of Alberni but now of Vancouver, who had been visiting friends, left for home on Thursday. George Mitchell, representing E. G. Prior & Co., E. E. Allen of the Fit-Reform Co., and C. G. Duncan, of the B. A. Paint works, Victoria, were in town on business during the past week. The latter was accompanied by his wife, and while in Alberni purchased the house and lot formerly owned by W. Ash. Thomas Astle of the E. & N. engineering staff, arrived from Victoria on Wednesday, and is attached to W. E. Stewart's party, with headquarters in Alberni. C. M. Wise has resigned the management of the Sonias hotel, Port Alberni, and will shortly leave on an extended visit to the Old Country. William Rydler, formerly of Oak Bay, Victoria, arrived in Alberni on Wednesday and will succeed Mr. Wise in the management of the Sonias hotel.

WEST COAST POWER

ASK FOR WATER RECORD

Proposes to Establish Works Near Port Renfrew on Large Scale

The West Coast Power Company, Ltd., through Lorenzo Alexander, one of its directors, is giving notice of an application for a water record which it seems foreshadows a big power proposition in competition with the B. C. Electric or a proposal to supply the Canadian Northern line from this city to Alberni canal with electric power. The company desires to take 3,500 feet per second of the water in Gordon river, which flows into the straits at Port Renfrew. The water is proposed to be taken at a point one-quarter of a mile below the Big Canyon and near Newton's No. 1 camp. With the head of water which engineers say there is the amount which the company is asking for would develop 110,000 horsepower. The declared intention of the company is to establish a fully equipped plant for the generation of electric power for industrial purposes. The river is to be dammed above the Big Canyon, the water taken a quarter of a mile below the Canyon, conveyed to the "power-house" two miles below Newton's No. 1 camp and returned to the river at a point half a mile below the power-house. The difference in altitude between the two points is about 350 feet. It is stated in the notice that the works will occupy 100 acres and the riparian rights which would be affected are stated to be limited to those of the Crown and T. Grierson and A. G. Murray, both of Port Renfrew.

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patrol duty in the Gulf of Georgia to watch for breaches of the law. Sister Superior of St. Joseph's Hospital wishes to express her gratitude to Mrs. T. W. Paterson and the ladies of Victoria who so liberally contributed to the "Linen Shower" and who made the St. Joseph's fête day gathering a pleasure and a valuable assistance. She also extends thanks to Mrs. H. Pooley and those who brightened the enjoyment of the afternoon by their singing. Complaints are being made of the condition of Johnson street, abovesaid, and those who heightened the enjoyment of the afternoon by their singing. Cook. So bad is the roadway in places that on Monday night a valuable horse is alleged to have received serious injuries. The roadbed has subsided in certain parts of the thoroughfare indicating that an old drain has collapsed. A complaint from C. J. Johnson & Co., contractors for the Grand Trunk Pacific wharves, that the regulations for the storage of powder in the straits, was considered at Tuesday's special meeting of the council. The by-law provides that not more than 50 pounds of powder may be stored in any place, but as this would work a hardship on the contractors and impede the progress of the work the council decided to issue a permit to allow the contractors to store 400 pounds of powder in the harbor of Brackman & Ker mill.

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TO LET—New furnished house, near the beach, 121 Lawrence street. Apply 1021 Laidlaw street, James Bay. m24

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FOR SALE—100 acres, mostly timber, within 7 miles of the city in Highland District; this property we can deliver for a few days at the ridiculous price of \$1200.00 per acre; this is a section. Herbert Cuthbert & Co., 635 Fort street. m24

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