

moment for a general advance by the Japanese has not yet arrived.

Reports that the Japanese are about to land troops at Yokohama are current, but not believed.

London, July 20.—It is understood that the admiralty has sent a notice to the Canadian Pacific head office at Montreal warning them to instruct the captain of the Empress and other steamers playing between Vancouver and Victoria, and Yokohama and Hongkong, to be on the qui vive for the Russian Vladivostok squadron.

It is feared here that the incursion of that squadron into the Pacific may lead to the seizure of many British merchantmen on the same excuse as the P. & O. steamer Malacca was taken.

Public opinion here is greatly excited over the situation, and it is feared that the government's domestic difficulties and reluctance to go into another war before the nation has recovered from the South African campaign, "the man in the street" would force the government to take action at once to stop interference with British commerce.

St. Petersburg, July 20.—The Russ today publishes an editorial statement of Russia's position in the stopping of neutral ships in the Red Sea by vessels of the volunteer fleet.

There is great interest in the statement because it is believed to reflect directly the views of the foreign office. It is as follows:

"The operations of the converted cruisers Smolensk and St. Petersburg are causing tremendous excitement in England. Questions are being asked in parliament, the newspapers are appealing to the public, and there is a panic among shipowners. There also is a good deal of talk in Germany because of the seizure of mails on the steamer Prinz Heinrich, but the most noise is being made by extremists organs, the others treating the matter coolly.

"It is a pity the English do not display the same Teutonic coolness. It is easy to understand that the British merchant marine feels these restrictions severely. As a result of the stopping and searching of vessels English ships must give up transporting contraband or continue at their own risk and peril in time of war between the two powers. Others are bound to suffer more or less, as it is impossible to check contraband traffic without seizing.

"In regard to the detention of the Prinz Heinrich's mails, details have not yet reached St. Petersburg. Comprehensive discussion of this incident is therefore impossible, but it must be pointed out, the official correspondent of a beligerent is constrained. Consequently if the Prinz Heinrich carried Japanese diplomatic and consular reports she was liable to seizure. Of course whether she did or not, the correspondence can be inspected to determine this fact.

"The English, in their examination, even raise the question as to whether we were justified in converting the volunteer fleet steamers into warships after they had passed the Dardanelles, under the commercial flag. This whether or not every government has a right either to build warships in its own yards, or then abroad, buy them already built, and finally to convert them into warships. The volunteer fleet at its very inception was intended to be converted into a military fleet upon the declaration of war.

"The English should not be incensed at the passage of the St. Petersburg and Smolensk through the Dardanelles. The British embassy at Constantinople hands in a protest to the Turkish government every time a volunteer fleet steamer passes the straits. For many years these protests have been entirely disregarded, and therefore long ago lost their importance. Before the war the British ships repeatedly passed by the straits of the Bosporus to the Black Sea, even with troops, arms and ammunition aboard.

"If this was possible before the war, it is possible now, as there has been no change in our relations with Turkey as a result of the war with Japan. When volunteer fleet steamers are converted through the straits under the merchant flag, their destination was correctly given as being the Far East.

"In fact, the vessels upon entering the Red Sea assumed the military flag. A fundamental principle of international law that a neutral covers neutral goods will not, of course, be violated by our cruisers, consequently it goes aboard the ships of neutral powers containing no contraband of war will remain as free as ever."

VLADIVOSTOK FLEET CAUSES ALARM.
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The Vladivostok squadron, comprising by torpedo boats, entered the Pacific ocean today at 7 o'clock. Its destination is unknown, but it is suggested that it possibly may be sent to the coast of Japan, and then either return to Vladivostok, or attempting to form a junction with the Port Arthur fleet.

The squadron was discovered in the Straits of Tsugaru at 3 o'clock this morning, steaming rapidly eastward. At 3.30 km. it was reported off Otsu Cape, and at 7 a.m. observers at Hakodate discerned it and reported to Tokyo that it was then steaming to the east.

Warnings have gone out to shipping along the eastern coast of Japan, and merchantmen are hurriedly seeking cover. It is expected that most of the shipping will be warned before the Russian vessels can inflict serious damage.

Ordinarily, a lack of coal would prevent an extended cruise, but it is possible that the Russians possess a collier at a rendezvous in the Pacific Ocean.

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Berlin, July 20.—Russia has informed Germany, according to the Cologne Gazette, that no report has been received from the commander of the Smolensk regarding the seizure on July 19th, in the Red Sea, of the mails on board the Prinz Heinrich. Pending the arrival of this report the Russian government states that it cannot be held responsible for the Russian representative in the matter.

CLEARLY DIRECTED AGAINST BRITISH.
St. Petersburg, July 20.—Russia seems prepared for any representations Great Britain may make on the subject of stopping ships in the Red Sea. It is understood that before sending the cruiser there the authorities became satisfied through an elaborate system of espionage, that an immense amount of contraband was going from England through the Red Sea to Japan, and they decided to stop the traffic. It is understood that if this traffic is now diverted to the Cape route the Russian admiralty is prepared to send ships to the Cape of Good Hope.

If Great Britain objects to the passage of the Dardanelles by more vessels of the volunteer fleet the ships intended for cruising off the Cape may be sent from the Baltic. In this connection very important developments are believed to be imminent.

THE FLEETS MAY EFFECT JUNCTION.
St. Petersburg, July 20.—This attempt to create suspicion out of the passage of the Dardanelles by the Russian guardship Chernomoretz have not been successful. This warship, being the regular Akhmat guardship, has been passing in and out of the Black Sea for 20 years.

It is probably the purpose of Admiral Bezobrazoff, with the Vladivostok fleet, to fall the coast towns of Japan, capture merchantmen, make a naval demonstration off Yokohama and create a panic among the population in order to compel Rear-Admiral Togo to retreat to the feet of Port Arthur. The idea that Admiral Bezobrazoff would seriously attack the new ports of Japan has been rejected owing to the danger from sub-

marine boats, mines, torpedo boats and shore batteries.

A report is current that the Vladivostok squadron is hawmward bound, under orders to effect a junction with the first division of Rear-Admiral Rjostrensky's Baltic squadron, which is ready to go out on a trial trip to the Baltic. Both the war office and the admiralty are without important news to-day.

OFFICIAL PROTEST HAS BEEN LOGGED.
St. Petersburg, July 20.—Sir Chas. Hardinge, the British ambassador to Russia, this afternoon on behalf of his government presented a strong protest to Russia against the seizure

STRIKERS RESUME PLACES TO-MORROW

ARBITRATION BOARD TO DECIDE DISPUTE

Thousands of Workers at the Packing Houses Expected to Begin Work To-day.

Chicago, July 21.—Fifty thousand strikers' workmen, who quit work July 15, participating in the meat industry of the country, will go back to work tomorrow morning. A board of arbitration...

Thousands of laborers who have been struck appear at the yards to-day in their lunch pails, and, thinking since the strike had been lifted there remained nothing to be done except to go back to their old work...

PERRY'S BISLEY RECORD.

Has Got Into Second Stage For King's Cup—Other Scores.

Bisley, July 21.—Perry gets into the second stage of the King's cup with a total of 94. Five other candidates are entitled to shoot in the second stage...

BRITISH OIL SHIP CREWMEN BURNED

Main and Crew Escaped—Sight of Vessel Gave Great Alarm at New York.

New York, July 21.—A large ocean steamer was observed yesterday to be on fire about 30 miles off Newport, N. I. The steamer was first sighted by a fisherman...

British Ship Burned.

Woodhole, Mass., July 21.—Captain of the British ship Creedmore, and crew, were landed here to-day, having escaped from their ship which was burned off Fire Island yesterday...

MONEY IS LOST.

Office Inspector Is Investigating Non-Arrival of Registered Package. Port Frances, Ont., July 21.—It has been reported that a registered package of money...

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With a view of assisting members of the various associations in the cost of transportation to the annual meeting of the council, \$154 for this purpose, which assisted in bringing competitors from Trail (two), Nelson (three) and Rossland (one).

Following is the Ottawa team report: I beg to report as senior officer present with the team, I was in command at the D. R. A. meeting, and deemed it a great honor to have charge of the best provincial team in the Dominion at the meeting of 1903...

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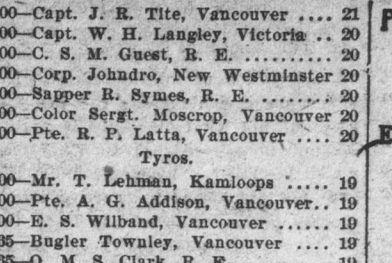
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PREPARATIONS ARE ADVANCING FOR FAIR

Everything Arranged Well for Success of the Show—Some of the Attractions.

Members of the executive of the B. C. Agricultural Association are kept busy these days attending to the innumerable details attaching to the preparations for the fair to be held in Victoria next September. Indications are that there will be many more exhibitors than has been the case in the past...

As usual in the past, the features of the closing days of the fair will be the horse races. The programme of the three days' contests have already been published in these columns, and they are now being arranged by the sporting committee...

Of the interior displays probably those which are attracting the most attention are the district exhibits. These have always been a feature of the fair, and this year they are more numerous than in any previous year...

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TRY THEIR SPEED.

Rival Boats on the Seattle Run Have a Race Up Sound.

Wednesday's Seattle Times says: "The Meadows is not the only place where the betting men of the city may risk their money on racing. Steamship men and waterfront fellows are speculating on the comparative speed of the Canadian Pacific railway's Princess May and the Puget Sound Navigation Company's Whatcom.

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He Was Crushed by a Rolling Log and Died Shortly Afterwards.

Chemist, July 21.—A bad accident happened at the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co.'s logging camp No. 6, resulting in the death of Simon Aho. The deceased was working as second logger, and a large log rolled over him, causing internal injuries from which he died shortly after the accident occurred.

Many Entries for the Races to Be Held at Wainwright Exhibition. Winnipeg, July 21.—For the Dominion Fair's Wainwright Exhibition, many entries have been received, horses coming from Ontario and many of the Western states. A beautiful fence is about completed at the fair grounds, and the money for the same has been raised.

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FORMING A NEW PARISH.

Rev. A. De Silva White, of Toronto, Will Do So in Vancouver.

Toronto, July 19.—Rev. A. De Silva White, who has been assistant priest for some time at St. Luke's church, has been offered and has accepted the charge of forming a new parish in Vancouver. He is expected to leave St. Luke's on Sept. 15th.

Catarrh Taint.

MORE LIVES ARE LIGHTED BY CATARRH TAIN TANT.

IF THERE IS A HINT OF CATARRH TAIN TANT. Apply Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder without delay. It will save you suffering, heal your catarrh, whether you have been a slave one month or fifty years. It relieves cold in the head and catarrh headache in ten minutes. The Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice for the Dominion of Canada, endorses it.

Ten Cents buys Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills—the best. 37

STAND FAST, RICHARD!

The Colonist says the bold Grand Trunk marauders are coming to the coast. They are going to approach the McBride government and tell that inflexible position to yield up a subsidy in aid of the construction of a railway...

Knowing the temperament of the British Columbia ministers as the Grand Trunk bandits appear to do, we think they will be very reasonable in their demands if they only ask the concessions and privileges hinted at by the Colonist.

As a means of averting a scandal of any kind, we would suggest that the Premier put his brazen armor on and defy Hays and all his myrmidons; tell them that the people of British Columbia do not intend to contribute a single cent or an inch of land towards the construction of a road whose construction is already provided for.

But we fear the knees of the Premier will weaken. In fact, we have suspected for some time that he and his colleagues had forgotten the motto of British Columbia: "No road without a road."

TO PREVENT TROUBLE. There has always been friction in the Militia Department of the Canadian government. If an officer came over from Great Britain bent upon "doing things," he invariably encountered trouble.

The bill introduced by Sir Frederick Borden will not be altogether an experiment. The Toronto Star says it follows the new plan adopted by the British government. Over there the position of commander-in-chief has been abolished and charge of affairs placed in the hands of a military council.

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COMMANDING OFFICER WRITES TO COUNCIL Presents Case Strongly in Favor of the Regimental Band - Recites Why It Deserves Support.

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THEY WILL FIGHT IT TO THE END

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(From Wednesday's Daily.) The proposal to amalgamate the board of fire underwriters of Vancouver Island with that of the Mainland has evolved into a burning question...

But it was the main meeting, the gathering of the Vancouver Island Board of Fire Underwriters, in which the proposal was endorsed. The meeting was called for the express purpose of discussing the matter...

"The board of trade council yesterday took the matter up. As stated in the Times yesterday afternoon, a resolution was passed strongly protesting against the proposed amalgamation...

BEARTRUBN, HICCUGH, STOMACH GAS—frequently trouble people whose digestion is not very strong. Immediate relief from these unpleasant sensations will be secured by taking twenty drops of Nerville in a little sweetened water...

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COAL BUNKERS ARE MUCH NEEDED

A MOVE TO SECURE THEM FOR VICTORIA

Meeting of Council of Board of Trade—Fire Underwriters' Amalgamation Opposed.

The first meeting of the new council of the board of trade was held this morning and was well attended. A number of very important matters of business were dealt with. A resolution was unanimously passed strongly protesting against the local fire underwriters amalgamating with the Vancouver board...

A communication from the department of marine and fisheries asked for further information in regard to the appointment of harbor commissioners. For this port, in this connection the secretary was instructed to forward the necessary data.

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The Canadian agent at Jamaica forwarded the prospectus of the Anglo-Canadian museum which will there be established, and offered space for an exhibit. Wallace H. Keating, well known here, wrote from Rincon-Antonia, Mexico, offering his services in connection with the building up of trade with Canada.

Among still other communications was a letter from the Tokio Chamber of Commerce calling attention to the invitation for tourist travel which had there been provided.

Advertisement for 'The Great White' and 'The Great Black' by Mabel Blackmore, featuring 'The Great White' and 'The Great Black' as 'The Great White' and 'The Great Black'.

SIR WILFRID ON DUNDONALD CASE

CHALLENGE MADE TO OPPOSITION LEADER

R. L. Borden Could Not Say in the House That Dismissal Was Unjust.

Ottawa, July 20.—In the House to-day R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, brought up some remarks of Solicitor General Lemieux...

Sir William Mulock took issue with him at once, and then Mr. Borden said that he would like to know...

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ENGINES WROCKED.

Collision at Wellington Colliery Results in \$50,000 Damages—No Lives Lost.

Nanaimo, July 20.—Late last night, while rounding the curve in the colliery yard near Cumberland, an engine drawing a train of empty cars up Hill from Euben Hill to the colliery collided head on with a light engine which was switching...

INTERVIEWED PRESIDENT.

Miners Meet Him and Urge an Investigation into Colorado Mining Trouble.

Oyster Bay, July 20.—President Roosevelt today received the committee appointed last week to investigate the conditions in the oyster industry...

KETTLE VALLEY SURVEY.

Engineers Are to Take the Field to Locate Line Up North Fork.

Grand Forks, B. C., July 20.—H. W. Warrington, general superintendent of the Kettle Valley railway line, received instructions to-day from the head office, Toronto, to organize an engineering survey...

LORD CURZON HONORED.

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RAIN IMPROVES THE SMALL FRUITS

RASPBERRIES WILL BE VERY PLENTIFUL

California Apricots Are Unusually Scarce at Present—Complete Wholesale and Retail Quotations.

Recent heavy rains have improved the local crop of small fruits wonderfully. As a result there has been a general fall in both the wholesale and retail quotations during the past week...

One of the most important changes in local-grown vegetable quotations is the drop in the retail figure of new potatoes...

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VICTORIANS TENDER A HEARTY SEND-OFF

Local Crews Entered in Regatta on the Way to Portland—Other Sporting Notes.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Last evening members of the James Bay Athletic Association, their friends and outside enthusiasts gathered at the wharf to give the J. B. A. A. stalwarts, who have undertaken to uphold the honor of the club in the N. P. A. A. races at Portland, an appropriate "send-off"...

An interesting feature of the embarkment of the two racing yachts was the demonstration of the extent to which the victorians appreciate the honor that has been reflected upon their city through the prowess of the J. B. A. A. oarsmen...

As has been mentioned in these columns previously, the N. P. A. A. regatta will be held on Friday and Saturday at Portland. The two former aggregations hope to capture this contest and enter for the senior race on the following day...

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AGRICULTURAL

FATTENING CHICKENS FOR MARKET

In order to have the chickens plump and well fed for the market, they should be placed in the fattening crates when they are three months old. It is not meant by this that chickens cannot be fattened properly when they are more than three months old...

A satisfactory fattening ration is one that is palatable and that will produce a white-colored flesh. Ground oats, finely ground or with the coarse hulls struck out, should form the basis of any such ration...

The chickens should remain in the fattening crates for a period of 24 days more or less, depending on the condition of the birds. Before they are placed in the crates they should be well dusted with sulphur to kill the lice. They should be again sulphured three days before they are killed...

The Last Ten Days.—At the commencement of this period one pound of tallow a day should be added to the ration. The quantity of tallow should be gradually increased so that at the latter part of the period one pound of tallow is fed to 50 chickens...

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ACCIDENT TO VANCOUVER.

Portland, Ore., July 18.—Just after the Vancouver (B. C.) senior crew left their boathouse to-day for a practice spin on the river, preparatory to the races which will occur here in the latter part of the week, their shell ran to a sunken pile end and was ripped and crushed from stem almost to stern...

As usual, there will be a large number of entries in the handicap tourney, and the club has signalled their intention to enter this class. The gentlemen's doubles will also be largely represented, while both the ladies' and gentlemen's singles will probably all furnish a number of competitors.

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Refuge Home Must Surrender Care of Two Chinese Girls.

In the habeas corpus proceedings in which Chin Jong sought to have two Chinese girls, Chin Tong Oy, age 12, and Chin Tong Sun, aged 10, delivered up by the Chinese Refuge home in order that they might be taken to relatives in China, Mr. Justice Drake granted the application of Mr. Morson, who appeared for the Chinese. The girls, therefore, will be delivered to their guardians. D. M. Eberts, K. C., appeared for the home.

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SEEKERS OF COAL AND OIL LANDS

SOME OF THOSE WHO ARE NOW FIGHTING

Spokane Capitalists Recognize Great Value in Deposits in Southeast Kootenay.

That Southeast Kootenay coal and petroleum lands are regarded as exceedingly valuable is proved by the action of residents of Spokane, a city largely built up as a result of the mineral wealth of British Columbia and others associated with these.

In the course of an article dealing with these lands, the Spokesman Review says: "Coal lands, believed to be worth millions, are being fought for by Spokane men who have locations in Southeast Kootenay, British Columbia. Ex-Senator George Turner, Senator Levi Arkeny, Thomas Greenough, mine owner; Colonel Alden J. Blithen, editor of the Seattle Times; former Mayor P. Byrne and dozens of others almost equally as prominent, are interested in the fight.

Rival interests: The Spokane group, the Rossland group, the Nelson group, the Laidlaw group, the C. H. James group, the Grand Forks group and other groups innumerable, have been staking claims, abandoning claims and jumping claims until there is now a tangle of such huge size that its creators are agast at their own handiwork.

"Unless all the maps in existence be, agents for various groups have been staking claims and jumping claims until the actual ground will not begin to hold the locations. It is manifest that some of the locators will either get no claims at all, for which they have put up good money, or else they will get mere fractions, much smaller than the mile square locations to which they are entitled under the law.

"The fight for the coal lands is only starting, and it is Mayor P. Byrne, through Canadian courts for years." After recounting the history of the recovery of the land from the C. P. R. and the revoking of the order-in-council granting it, the article says: "Meanwhile, in expectation that it would be revoked and that the ground would be thrown open to location, Andrew Hackett, of Spokane, formed his first syndicate to stake the land. He knew the country and knew of the coal. He went there first for the Spokane Falls Gas Light Company in 1902, and staked a group which he believed were on block 4593. Later when the Canadian Pacific engineers made an incomplete survey of the west line of the district, he suspected that the locations were not on the block, but on the C. P. R.'s undisputed ground, so he abandoned the locations.

"In August of 1902, Fred Ritchie, P. L. S. and Ross Thompson, of Rossland, B. C., went in and staked the Ritchie or Rossland group. A few days later Mr. Hackett formed the Spokane group, and staked the first 50 claims, each on a square mile, on what he believed was block 4593. The rest were staked a year ago. He had a large number of backers who were to pay for him from \$50 to \$150 each to have him stake them a claim. The provincial license giving them the right to prospect for coal for a year cost \$20 each, and the provincial government at that time refused to issue the licenses, not taking a chance, each of the locators deposited \$50 with the government to pay the obligation. Among the people in the Spokane group were Senator George Turner, C. C. Dempsey, D. K. McDonald, ex-Mayor Patrick Byrne and D. B. Bixey.

"The ground was the domain of locations that a little later Mr. Hackett formed the Anderson group to the north of his first one. The nominal locator was Mr. Hackett's friend, A. L. Anderson, of Rossland and Spokane, and they were assisted by Judge J. Z. Moore. Among the people staked in the Anderson group were Dr. Harvey Smith, Arthur J. Shaw, R. D. Miller, of Spokane, Colonel Alden J. Blithen and Joseph Blithen, of the Seattle Times, W. E. R. Corne, Misses Elizabeth and Mary Leonard, Watson C. Sauer, formerly United States senator from Washington, and James A. Moore, real estate operator of Seattle. The Anderson group was the first group, but withdrew and joined a Nelson, B. C., syndicate, headed by Dr. Le-Bau, John Houston, Mr. Teetzel and others. The Nelson people believed they had enough political influence with the government to invalidate the Hackett location on grounds of alleged irregularities in dates. So they sent a surveyor into the field, who staked many of the Hackett claims and staked considerably more landscape, until there were 120 claims in the Nelson group.

"Troubles were coming in for Mr. Hackett on another side. "Fred Ritchie asserts that his Rossland group covers part of the ground which Andrew Hackett staked a few days later, in August, 1902, as part of the Spokane group. Mr. Hackett retorts that Mr. Ritchie's locations are not on block 4593 at all, but are west of it. "South of the Spokane group, in the Grand Forks group of 66 claims, staked a year ago, in which George Fraser, member of the provincial legislature, is

interested. Some of these claims tangle with some of the old Ritchie or Rossland group.

"East of the Hackett group, is the Andrew Laidlaw group of 32 claims, which has been partly jumped by the Nelson group. Mr. Laidlaw, who is a Spokane man, was never on the ground himself, but formed the group and had two prospectors stake a number of claims for the following people: A. B. Raitton, H. L. Sorg, C. H. Fisher, W. E. Wing, A. E. Barnes, D. R. McDonald, Frank A. Chase, R. M. Steiner, Robert Miller, Christian Anderson, Charles McNab, Philip H. Quilliam, J. E. Markwell, of Wallace, Idaho; Dr. C. E. Grove, John Brown, J. Andrew Laidlaw, J. M. Fitzpatrick, W. P. Snow, C. Ober, E. Ober, George H. Libby, L. G. Demert, Dorion Mihills, Frank Lavigne, Conrad Wolfe, G. L. Lohrer, M. E. Lane, S. W. O'Brien, H. E. Hanauer, Peter Morrison, H. N. Seelye, J. W. Stearns, of Pullman, Wash.; H. T. Welby and Geo. Bekon, of Dayton, Wash.; H. G. DeFledge, Seymour Manning, of Colfax, Wash.; A. T. Kendrick, of Ritzville, Wash.

"Southeast of the Spokane group is the second Laidlaw group, and south of it is the Chamber of Commerce group, in which C. H. James, J. H. Shaw, W. V. Douglas and others of Spokane are interested.

"A few days ago the provincial government announced that it would grant licenses to all claimants, but would not undertake to determine the rights of any of the contestants. The government says in short: "We can not try to untangle this mess. It must be threshed out in the courts." At the same time the government raised the licenses from \$50 to \$100.

"The result has caused turmoil here. Inevitable litigation faces the locators. There is no certainty of the outcome. In order to protect their interest some of the various groups are forming incorporation companies, which each will turn his claim and receive a pro rata share of stock. Then the holdings would be dealt with in a block. But meanwhile the claimants must add \$80 to the \$50 already deposited for licenses, and some of them are doubtful whether they will do so. The time is getting short in order to make a decision. There is the question of the enormous value of the coal lands. They should be worth millions. It is now a question who will get them."

MISSIONARY MET WITH TRAGIC END

REV. MR. SWARTOUT DROWNED AT UCULELET

Sad News Was Received Last Evening - Termination of Career of Good Work.

Rev. Dr. Campbell Sunday night received a telegram from Ucuulet stating that Rev. Mr. Swartout was drowned on the 11th inst. on the side of Ucuulet harbor. He started for Dodge's cove in an open sailing boat on the above date, and nothing having been heard of him for several days his friends became anxious, but hoped that he was an expert swimmer and would be able to weather any ordinary sea, he would in due time turn up safely. This hope was strengthened by the fact that on several occasions in severe weather he had taken refuge in some of the sheltered nooks on Barkley Sound, where he was weathered for several days, and that the foreign mission committee of the Presbyterian church, ten years ago, appointed Mr. Swartout to the Indian mission at Alberni as successor to Rev. Mr. Hackett. While he had a fine boarding school at Alberni, the best on Vancouver Island, was erected. This school has about 50 pupils, principally of the Ojibwa race, and the Alberni Semas river, which flows into the Alberni canal. About seven years ago Mr. Swartout was removed to Dodge's cove, the principal village of the Ojibwa, where he did good work in making that tribe one of the most sober, moral and industrious on the West Coast. He established here a day school, which has done much good work among the boys and girls of the tribe. After a few years he was removed to Ucuulet, and appointed itinerant missionary to the Indians of Barkley Sound. His principal places for evangelistic work were Ucuulet, Nanukamas and Ohiat, also occasionally visiting the Ahousahts. Mr. Swartout made a thorough study of the Indian customs and habits, and mastered their language so that he could preach the gospel clearly and fluently in the vernacular of the tribes among whom he labored. For several years he had been writing a book on the habits, customs, legends and traditions of the Indians of Vancouver Island, gathering his material at first hand from the old men and women of the tribes, and which he intended to have published. He was ordained to the gospel ministry on special request of the general assembly by the Presbytery of Victoria last fall.

"He leaves a widow and two daughters to mourn his loss. The daughters are well as to womanhood, the oldest of whom is with her mother at Ucuulet, and the other at school in Toronto. Mr. Swartout was a man of good ability, sound, and devoted to his work. His position as superintendent of Indian mission work naturally brought him into contact with masters of sealing schooners, who employed Indian hunters, and consequently there occasionally arose a difference of opinion as to whether the 'golden rule' was practically carried out in the matter and the money charged was fair and just towards the red men. He will be much missed from the staff of able teachers and preachers of the Presbyterian church among the Indians of the West Coast of Vancouver Island.

MR. YATES'S REPLY TO THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY CHARGES

He Says Report Was Unfair and That Investigators Hid Behind the Specifications.

Readers of the Times will recall that a few weeks ago ex-Ald. J. S. Yates in communication to the council charged that the contractor of the Carnegie library building was not adhering to the specifications. A committee was appointed to investigate the report, which charges characterized as unfair and states that the manner in which it was drawn leads him to believe that he was more nearly correct than it appears. His letter in full is as follows:

Victoria, B. C., July 18th, 1904. To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the Corporation of the City of Victoria: Gentlemen—I have to acknowledge receipt of a copy of your special committee report dealing with the statements made by me in connection with the erection of the Carnegie library, and I have to thank you for the same.

"I am sorry I am not able to call it a fair report, and I would have been pleased had admitted (were such the case) that the statements made by me were incorrect, but the manner in which the report was drawn, making sort of half admissions, leads me to believe that it was a good deal nearer the truth than the committee's report would at first sight lead one to believe.

"The committee, deal too much with the specifications, which are silent on most of the points raised by me, and too little with the plans which show them. I do not admit that in one or two instances the plans are capable of being interpreted in another manner than that in which I interpreted them, but in the majority of instances they certainly uphold my contention, and I think that if submitted to an outside, disinterested committee I would be found to be correct.

"The committee for some reason appear to have shunned the half-inch section and hidden themselves behind the specifications, which, as I believe, they well know are the latter as always governed by the former.

"In dealing with my fifth and sixth statements, no mention is made of the plans. They hide themselves behind the specifications and ignore the plans which show my contention.

"In dealing with my seventh statement, by implication they admit the correctness of it, and state that a change was made by the architect. But they do not state, (as the fact is) that the said change reduced the number of cut some corners from eight to the original five to four, and thereby reduced the cost by the contractor by that amount. The architect gave as his reason for the change that in reducing the height of his building he could not get the courses of the masonry to fit in the wall. He has the main building. I may point out that they didn't do so on his original plan, so why should he do so now?

"With reference to the copying on the main building, the report says it is in accordance with the specifications. The report is silent as to what the plans show. Now, all that is in the specifications with reference to the copying is: "Copies between the pier corners to be rock faced." That deals only with the coping on the main building, and the plans certainly show a needless copying on the stackhouse roof.

"With reference to the substitution of concrete for granite rubble in the walls from ground level to basement floor, the report again fails to mention the specifications, and admits the change it is silent as to cost of the change. The contractor stated that the concrete had cost him \$2 a yard more than what he could have built the granite ashlar for, viz. \$8 per yard for the former in place of \$6 a yard for the latter. If that is so he has made a present of just that amount to the city and should be thanked for it. But other builders just figure it out the reverse way.

"In dealing with statement 10, with reference to the granite sills in the basement windows, the report says that the specifications do not call for them. Quite true, but only half the truth. The plans show a granite ashlar wall with sills, and one would naturally expect concrete sills any more than wooden sills in such a wall, and would most naturally assume them to be of the same material as the wall, unless otherwise specified. Of course, the change from granite to concrete having been made in the walls the sills will be of the same material, and the cost of a concrete sill is less than that of granite, which is what I stated.

"With reference to my statement that some of the narrow corners in the upper story being only plain chiselled instead of toolled, the report deals with it by simply saying 'any stone which has not been toolled will be done before the completion of the building.' Again only by implication do they admit the correctness of my statement. Why do they not manfully admit it? They certainly had to do so when visiting the building at the inquiry.

"Now, gentlemen, I have dealt with the report. Since the inquiry I have been informed that the council is not being built according to the half inch section, and that it has not the projection shown by that section. Would it not be in justice to the contractor and all concerned, to ascertain whether this is so, and, if not, to prove that it is not so. If I might take the liberty I would suggest that this could most effectively be done by referring this and all the points comprised in my letter to a committee consisting of outside, interested persons, such as Mr. Henderson, of the Vancouver public works department, Mr. T. N. Woodgate, former engineer and architect in charge of all construction work at Esquimalt navy yard, and say some other city architect who did not stand in a competitive plan. Of course, I can only suggest this. It remains for you, representing us citizens, to adopt or reject it,

and to say whether on my behalf you are satisfied with the report after my above comments on it. If you say you are satisfied, then it seems to me that you are transferring the responsibility for the manner in which the building has been erected from the shoulders of the architect, superintendent and contractor to your own, and the former was in the wrong.

Apologizing for the length of my communication, I have the honor to be, Your obedient servant, J. STUART YATES. SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

Only One Small Hole Cut in the Hull of the Princess Victoria.

The steamship Princess Victoria arrived from Vancouver last evening under full steam. She was immediately placed on the B. C. marina railway for survey of injuries and repairs. The latter will be undertaken just as soon as the former has been satisfactorily arranged.

An examination of the hull discloses no great amount of damage. The impact was sufficient to bend in several of the steel beams broken, and was being removed this morning. And on the same side of the ship, away forward, can be seen a hole in the hull, which was caused by the collision with the rocks. It extends over an area of 12 or 14 plates, and is graduated according, as the hull assumes a greater bulk, to where a line could be drawn perpendicularly with the door of the wheel house on the upper deck. The plates are not badly bent, but the impact was felt in the bulkhead in several of the steel frames in places two or three inches. Where the greatest weight of the blow fell a hole has been cut in one plate and a hole in another, but not wide enough to show one's hand through.

Just what will be done to the ship will be determined after the board of survey has reported. The board of survey is of opinion that the steamer can be gotten ready for service within a fortnight. Apart from the damage mentioned, there is not a scratch on the hull.

WORKING COMMITTEES

Appointed at Yesterday's Council Meeting of the Board of Trade. Owing to the demand on space the following committees appointed for the ensuing year could not be given the full consideration of the council meeting of the board of trade: Trade, commerce and transportation—Geo. Carter, Jas. Pater, J. G. MacGregor, B. G. Moss and C. P. Todd. Agriculture and forestry—M. Baker, Phil. R. Smith and J. A. Grant. Finance—J. S. Gibb, G. A. Taylor and A. J. Deane. Harbors and navigation—John Nelson, Lindley Crease, A. G. Sargison, A. Henderson and W. L. Challoner. Public works and railways—H. P. Bell, A. J. Morley, A. Gray, A. G. McCandless and E. Moore. Harbors and navigation—Chas. E. Clarke, Wm. Grant, E. B. Marvin, R. Seabrook and J. W. Droup. Harbors and navigation—H. H. Rickaby, L. Pither, C. Spencer, E. Temple and Jas. Thomson. City affairs—W. J. Hanna, E. M. Johnson, C. E. Redfern, F. B. Pemberton and J. A. Hollans. Legislative—R. E. Gosnell, Chas. Hayward, H. D. Helmcock, Jos. Hunter and C. H. Lugin. Reception—D. W. Higgins, Geo. Gillespie, J. A. Mara, E. G. Prior and Thos. R. Smith.

TRADE WITH MEXICO. Immense Preparations Are Being Made in the South—Mr. Courtney's Return. From Geo. L. Courtney, traffic manager of the E. & N. railway, who has just returned from the south, it is learned why Mexico is desirous of establishing trade relations with Canada. There are of course the high and almost prohibitive tariffs which have been created around all commerce with the United States, and then there is the further reason, not generally known, that Mexico is reaching out for shipping in a manner no country on this continent has attempted. Heretofore nearly all Mexico's railways were operated exclusively to the benefit of the mountain range, and journey inland from the coast had to be made on burrows. A progressive government is now changing all this. Railways are being extended to the coast with all the rapidity imaginable, and numerous breakwaters to take the place of ordinary harbors are being built at points all along the seaboard, so that these islands are now, running from \$15,000,000 to \$150,000,000.

Mr. Courtney is of the opinion that a goods trade can be developed between British Columbia and Mexico. The latter he says imports a great deal of lumber and coal. It also buys a great deal of general merchandise, such as canned goods, and in event of a steamer connection being established, would ship ore to the British Columbia smelters, as also sugar and salt. Mr. Courtney does not think that the passenger business could be counted much on in the commencement of a service, and, as for southern California, that country has now a pretty good steamer connection. The ports of call on the Mexican coast would be Mazatlan, San Blas, Manzanillo, Acapulco, Port Angeles, Salina Cruz and San Bonita. Mr. Courtney says that he found the people and government of Mexico very anxious to secure communication with British Columbia. He went south, it will be remembered, to ascertain whether there are for trade, and was well satisfied with the outlook. Of course what plans will be decided on is a matter not to be decided with the heads of the company. Whether they will tender on the service called for by the Dominion and Mexican governments is a question now under advisement.

STOMACH 'SCOWLS.'—Ever notice the scowls and frowns that seat into the face of the passenger who has been sick and about the passenger business could be counted much on in the commencement of a service, and, as for southern California, that country has now a pretty good steamer connection. The ports of call on the Mexican coast would be Mazatlan, San Blas, Manzanillo, Acapulco, Port Angeles, Salina Cruz and San Bonita. Mr. Courtney says that he found the people and government of Mexico very anxious to secure communication with British Columbia. He went south, it will be remembered, to ascertain whether there are for trade, and was well satisfied with the outlook. Of course what plans will be decided on is a matter not to be decided with the heads of the company. Whether they will tender on the service called for by the Dominion and Mexican governments is a question now under advisement.

AN APPLICATION GIVEN THE BAND COUNCIL RECONSIDERS ITS FORMER ACTION

More Permanent Sidewalks Are Proposed for Suburban Parts of the City.

At last night's meeting of the city council the aldermen reconsidered its decision about giving the Fifth Regiment band an appropriation in aid of its proposed tour, and voted the musicians \$250. More permanent sidewalks for suburban parts of the city were also decided on, and considerable routine was disposed of. The deputy minister of marine and fisheries wrote in reply to the council's communication stating that Mr. Donnell's rental of towshack property on Rock Bay would have to receive further consideration by the department. Referred to the city solicitor.

The secretary of the Indian department, Ottawa, wrote enclosing a letter granting permission of Esquimaux street through the Indian reserve on certain conditions. Received and filed. His report was the result of communications he had sent to the Victoria representatives at Ottawa. He expected that the mayor would be satisfactorily arranged. The department will be notified that there are no individual claims against the property sought.

A tender for the supply of shingles and roofing for the Carnegie building was laid on the table. J. A. Henderson, manager of the Henderson Publishing Co., notified the council of a number of communications asking for a number of civic improvements. Received and filed. City Engineer Topp reported on the cost of the laying a permanent sidewalk on the new Government building. The report was adopted.

Only one tender was received for the supply of 750 cubic yards of sand for the filling of the water tank. The tender was for \$1 per cubic yard. Offered to furnish it at \$1 per cubic yard. Referred to the water commissioner. The city engineer reported recommending the adoption of a single line of posts for the B. C. Tramway Company's tracks crossing the Junction railway. Carried. Ald. Graham's motion for a permanent sidewalk on Douglas street between the King's road and Hillside avenue was not introduced and adopted. The motion to carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a stake planted about 90 chains east of the northwest corner of Alfred E. Lyle's location, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement. 7th June, 1904. GERTRUDE LYE (No. 1).

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Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to make application to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a stake planted upon Mellish Point, about 3 miles east of Bentinck, on the west side of the Bute Inlet, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement. 7th June, 1904. ARTHUR BLACKMORE.

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