



Will Attend The Funeral

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The House of Commons Passed Resolution of Condolence and Sympathy.

London, Aug. 7.—A resolution providing for an address of condolence with King Edward and sympathy with Emperor William on the death of the Dowager Empress Frederick, their sister and another respectively, was unanimously passed in the House of Commons today.

King Edward, Queen Alexandra, Princess Victoria and Princess Nicholas, of Greece, who is the guest of Their Majesties, will start for Hamburg on Friday to attend the funeral services of the Empress Frederick to be held in the presence of the family next Sunday.

Berlin, Aug. 7.—It has been definitely decided that the funeral of the Dowager Empress Frederick will take place on Tuesday next, August 13th. The remains will be deposited in the Prussian Kircho Mausoleum near Potsdam. Emperor William has issued a decree ordering the army to go into mourning for six weeks and giving minute details as to how the mourning emblems are to be worn.

Court circles have been notified as to how the ladies and gentlemen of the court must dress till November 5th. The ladies are to wear full mourning until August 26th, medium mourning until September 23rd, and minor mourning until November 5th.

Some of the papers take exception to the mourning orders. One paper, referring to the prohibition of public entertainments and musical and theatrical performances until after the funeral, says it believes this will hinder to a certain degree the purpose for which it was designed. It contrasts with this order Emperor Frederick's order upon the death of Emperor William I. in which he declined to make any mourning regulations leaving the people to show their sympathy in their own way.

The Hamburger Nachrichten, Prince Bismarck's old organ, draws upon its editor's reminiscences by saying Prince Bismarck repeatedly asserted in private conversation that the Empress Frederick took part in the intrigues which caused Prince Bismarck's downfall, saying: "She was much too shrewd a woman to do so."

COLLIDED IN FOG. Oceanic in Collision With Irish Coast-Steamer—Seven Lives Lost.

Queenstown, Aug. 8.—The White Star line steamer Oceanic, Capt. Cameron, which sailed from Liverpool yesterday afternoon, arrived here this morning and reported having been in collision last night in the Irish Channel with the steamer Kinross, of Waterford, Ireland. The Kinross sank. Seven persons were drowned.

The Kinross was a steel screw steamer of 453 tons. She belonged to the Waterford Steamship Co. The collision occurred in a fog. The Kinross was a coasting vessel trading between Waterford and Limerick. She had a crew of 14 men.

The Oceanic brought the seven survivors to this port.

Later Particulars. The damage sustained by the Oceanic will not prevent her proceeding on her journey.

Details of the collision show that the only damage sustained by the Oceanic was a few dents to her port plates. She proceeded at 3:50 p.m.

The collision occurred this side of Tuskar at about 1:30 a.m. this morning. The fog was very dense. The Kinross was struck amidships. All the passengers of the Oceanic were in bed at the time, and there was some commotion until the captain assured them that there was no cause for alarm.

Headway was kept on the Oceanic after she struck the Kinross in order to give the crew of the latter a chance to clamber on board the Oceanic. The boats were lowered to rescue every man possible.

The Kinross sank very rapidly. The Oceanic remained in the vicinity of the collision until daylight, but nothing was visible beyond some floating wreckage.

THE STEEL TRADE STRIKE. Very Few Men in Vicinity of Pittsburgh Are Involved.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 7.—With the assurance of the general strike order of President Snaffer it is not any longer the theory that confronts the public here as an actual condition. As far as Pittsburg is concerned, although it is the headquarters of the Amalgamated Association, few men are immediately involved in the strike in comparison with other sections, the total number throughout the country being about 300,000 men.

Will Not Quit Work. Youngstown, Ohio, Aug. 7.—Officials of the Ohio plant of National Steel Co. have announced that their employees will pay no attention to strike order of President Snaffer. The plant, which is non-union, employs 3,000 men.

CHINESE NEGOTIATIONS. Rapid and Satisfactory Progress Has Been Made—British Troops in China.

London, Aug. 6.—Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, replying in the House of Lords today to a question of Earl Spencer, Liberal, said the Chinese negotiations had recently made rapid and satisfactory progress. The indemnity question was disposed of with the exception of a few minor points. There was still some question whether the matter of the commercial facilities in China had not better be transferred to some other place than Peking, and to some more widely known than the present conference.

The foreign secretary also said the final strength of the legation garrison at Peking will probably be 1,800 men and that an additional force of 3,000 men would be distributed at different points along the route to the sea. The secretary regarded the Anglo-German and the Anglo-Russian agreements as satisfactory, and as tending to the maintenance of Chinese territorial integrity.

Anxious to Finish. Peking, Aug. 6.—Mr. Rockhill and Mr. Munson von Schweitzerfeld have telegraphed Chang Chin and Tang Liu Kiu, the Hangchow and Nankin viceroys, requesting them to use their influence with the government not to raise objections to the protocol. All the ministers and the powers except Sir Ernest Satow, are anxious to finish up the business. A British delay is not explained and causes some uneasiness.

General von Ron, the French commander, and his staff have departed and the French troops are leaving.

Kissed the Aeronaut

M. Santos Dumont Had Thrilling Experience With His Balloon This Morning.

Forced to Cling to Window of Six Story Building Until Rescued.

Paris, Aug. 8.—M. Santos Dumont, the aeronaut, this morning attempted to circle the Eiffel tower. He started at 6:10 a.m. amid hearty cheers. His initial movements were promising as the balloon turned around Eiffel tower nine minutes and thirty-four seconds after starting, and re-ascended for St. Cloud. The balloon collapsed, however, a strong gust of wind struck the balloon, when it veered violently to one side, almost simultaneously bounding backwards a distance of fifty yards. The hydrogen gas was forced from the front of the balloon, creating a sudden expansion which caused the machine to dip. Her screw touched the steel cord and broke them. M. Santos Dumont immediately stopped the motor and the balloon began to descend.

Unfortunately the cover of the balloon struck the corner of a six story building. A report like the shot of a cannon caused the window to fly open and fell rapidly. Luckily the frame caught on the coping of the building and the balloon seemed suspended. M. Santos Dumont would have been killed, as it was the aeronaut hung in a perilous position in the air. He remained half an hour until by a great effort he succeeded in catching the iron bar of a window, to which he clung until rescued. He escaped without a scratch and superintended the removal of the cord and the explosion of the balloon attracted enormous crowds, and the reception of M. Santos Dumont upon reaching the street, was most enthusiastic, many ladies clinging to his neck and kissing him repeatedly.

The balloonist said he is quite ready to commence operations again. M. Deutché, who offered the prize of 10,000 francs for the rounding of the Eiffel tower and the return to the starting point within a given period of time, was affected by the danger that Dumont had passed through that he told him he would rather present him with the prize at once than see him kill himself with his experiments, but the balloonist replied that he had rounded the Eiffel tower in such short period of time that he considered the result too satisfactory to permit the relinquishment in his attempt in the future.

(CANADIANS DEAD.)

Troop Sergeant-Major and Trooper Killed in Action Near Vereenig—Death From Enteric Fever.

Ottawa, Aug. 6.—The militia department has received the following cable: "Johannesburg, Aug. 2.—I regret to report that No. C. 1,410, Trooper Henry Quinn, died of enteric fever at 17 general hospital on July 30th."

"No. A. 1,613, Troop Sergeant-Major William Chalmers, and A. 1,770, Trooper Harry John Sproule killed in action at Hout Kop near Vereenig in July 11th."

Next of kin are respectively J. G. Quinn, Mrs. E. Brindley, Mrs. George Chalmers, mother, Mossburn; and Wm. Sproule, father, 476 Elgin avenue, Winnipeg. (Signed) High Commissioner."

THE LATE EMPRESS. Remains of Dowager Empress Frederick Placed in Coffin Today.

Cronberg, Aug. 8.—The remains of the Dowager Empress Frederick were placed in a coffin early this morning.

To Notify Prince Henry. Brest, Aug. 8.—The German cruiser Hela arrived here today. Her crew heard of the death of the Dowager Empress Frederick. He called for mails and said he would sail again immediately and notify Prince Henry of Prussia, whom he expected to-night or to-morrow morning.

Three Killed, Seven Injured

Fatal Explosion During Blasting Operations on Canadian Northern at Sturgeon Falls.

Bathing Fatalities—Child Scalded to Death—Farmer Hanged Himself in Barn.

Port Arthur, Aug. 6.—News has been received of an explosion on the Canadian Northern, in which three men were killed and seven others wounded. The men were at work blasting in a rock cut at Sturgeon Falls. It is supposed that one of the charges missed fire, and the men went into the cut, when the charge suddenly went off with the above results. The dead men were buried along the railway and the wounded men taken to Atokan hospital, where they are being cared for.

Reunion of Canadians. Toronto, Aug. 6.—A unique feature of the coming industrial exhibition here will be held on Tuesday, September 3rd, a reunion of Canadians who have gone to the States, and of natives and former residents of Toronto; also of students, past and present, of the schools and colleges and universities of Canada. A big reception tent will be erected and extra features will be provided in honor of the occasion. Hon. Edward Blake will be the speaker of the day.

Not Satisfied With Price. Winnipeg, Aug. 7.—The Horse Breeders' Association of Manitoba decided not to collect horses for Col. Dent, his price being too low.

Has Become an Agnostic. Hamilton, Aug. 7.—Rev. A. H. Tyrer, pastor of Unity church, on Sunday evening announced that he had come to doubt the possibility of the future state and the existence of God. In fact he had become an agnostic! He then announced his resignation.

Accidentally Shot. Leslie Towns, son of Geo. Towns, a farmer near Ninia, Man., received fatal kicks from a horse on Tuesday.

Girl Killed. The four-year-old daughter of John Schar, a German living near Wolske, Assn., was killed by a bull.

Fatal Kicks. The twelve-year-old daughter of Isaac Sander, living near Didsbury, Assn., was accidentally injured by a shotgun in the hands of her brother. She may recover.

The Harvest. Beautiful harvest weather continues and wheat cutting is gradually becoming general.

Mrs. Warren Dead. Mrs. Warren, daughter of Cashier Anderson, of the C. P. R. land department, who recently spent some time in Vancouver for the benefit of her health, died today.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—Mr. Bethune, of Chrysler & Bethune, appeared before Hon. D. Mills and Hon. R. W. Scott today in connection with a new trial, under section 748 of the criminal code, in the case of O'Brien, the Yukon murderer, because Mr. Bethune claimed the case should be tried in Ottawa, and not have done. If a new trial was not granted then Mr. Bethune asked, under section 744, for a writ of appeal to the Supreme court.

Returned Home. Anley, Morrison, M. P., is here on his way back from England. He will start for the Coast on Saturday.

Grain Inspectors. Edward F. Craig has been appointed chief grain inspector at Montreal at a salary of \$3,200 a year. He will be the present inspector at Montreal, will get \$3,000, instead of being paid by feet.

Mail Clerks' Appeal. Railway mail clerks, running west of Ottawa, have asked Hon. W. Mulock to endeavor to do something to settle the trackmen's strike, as the tracks have become unsafe for travel.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 8.—Rev. James Livingstone, pastor of Windsor Avenue Methodist church, and president of the Dominion conference, held a prayer meeting at Windsor race track on Tuesday night and introducing holding knowledge on Sunday. There were about 500 persons present, made up of all elements who frequent race tracks.

Choked. Toronto, Aug. 8.—Walter Bate, an inmate of the city and county jail, was choked to death yesterday afternoon by a piece of beefsteak becoming lodged in his throat.

Apple Shippers Meet. About one hundred members of the National Apple Shippers' Association are in attendance at the annual meeting which is being held in this city. They are from all parts of Canada and the United States.

Domestic Science. Domestic science is to be taught in the public schools of Ontario. Art instruction will also be given.

Fatal Result of Accident. Vankleek Hill, Ont., Aug. 8.—D. N. Fraser, 23 years old, is dead as a result of injuries sustained by being thrown from a wagon loaded with hay on Monday evening. His spine was severely injured.

Two Men Shot. Halifax, Aug. 8.—Frank Skinner shot, probably fatally wounded, Michael Anney and Alexander Galles at Sydney yesterday afternoon. All are Canadians and the shooting is the outcome of an old grudge.

New Record. At the firemen's tournament yesterday afternoon the Union Engine Company's team broke a new record by covering a half mile with a six hundred pound hose cart and making two couplings in 2:40-4:5.

BRITAIN'S TRADE. London, Aug. 8.—The board of trade statement for the month of July shows an increase of £2,764,700 in imports and a decrease of £164,500 in exports.

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Mr. Senkler then asked for these men because of the hardship entailed on the men of waiting for a trial by jury.

Mr. Senkler held, however, that this course robbed them of the inalienable right of a Briton to be tried by a jury of his peers.

Continuing, Mr. Senkler asked that bail be granted, as his clients were poor men and by their detention were prevented from carrying out their lawful calling.

Mr. Senkler then asked if the question of whether the men would repeat the offence or not if released would be considered.

Further the case was not only one in which men had been interfered with in the pursuit of their occupation and marriage.

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Application of J. H. Senkler Closed Before Mr. Justice Walkem This Morning

Frank Rogers and Desplaines Included—A Useful Hint for Prisoners

A useful hint for the guidance of prisoners, who have the selection of speedy trial or trial by jury, was thrown out by Mr. Justice Walkem this morning during the hearing of the application of J. H. Senkler, of Vancouver, for bail for the fishermen concerned in the recent strike troubles on the early days in Cariboo.

Mr. Justice Walkem had to go down the river later, in recognition of their kindness, the man sought free advice of Sir Matthew, and that old worthy summoned Mr. Justice Walkem to assist him in dispensing counsel to the fellow, who had not into a scrape and who wished to know whether it was advisable to come before a judge or before a jury.

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THE NATIVE BORN.

Third Annual Banquet of the Order—A Jovial Evening Spent by the Members in Speech and Song.

The third annual banquet of the Native Sons British Columbia was held last evening in the K. of P. hall, there being about one hundred guests in attendance.

It was in the early days in Cariboo, and the principal figure in it was a big red-headed fellow to whom Sir Matthew Begbie and Mr. Justice Walkem had given \$5,000 to go down the river later, in recognition of their kindness, the man sought free advice of Sir Matthew, and that old worthy summoned Mr. Justice Walkem to assist him in dispensing counsel to the fellow, who had not into a scrape and who wished to know whether it was advisable to come before a judge or before a jury.

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Unfair Tactics of Sellers—Two Carloads of Pure Bred Stock.

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Some discussion arose over the conflict of dates between New Westminister and Victoria, and it was decided if no change was made to import two carloads of pure bred stock for sale, but if changed to bring in three.

In accordance with the instructions of the last committee meeting, I paid a short visit to the upper country stoppings at Vernon, Lumley, Kelowna, Salmon Arm and Ashcroft. I addressed meetings at the three first of these places. I did not consider it advisable to hold an auction sale in the Okanagan and took order for one car of stock, which has just been distributed.

There is throughout the upper country from Penticon to Chilcotin a good demand for better stock both from the larger and smaller ranches. The difficulty for some years the bulls for the whole of the upper country have been drawn from one herd, and there is no doubt that our breeders realize that it will pay to have some fresh strains, and auction sales of pure bred stock are held in the upper country in good time, after being advertised, they will be well attended.

The proceedings were terminated shortly after midnight by the singing of the National Anthem and Auld Lang Syne.

The committee of management consisted of W. C. Moresby, James Mansell and Thomas Fletcher.

It is interesting to note in connection with the late D. Carmel, formerly of this city, who died a few days ago at Lost Angeles, in which he was with Sir G. Nares in 1875 when that gallant sailor endeavored to reach the North Pole.

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Provincial News

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Two lumberjacks, Jos. DeLaurier and McDonald, left Sicamous for Kootenai last Friday when there was a very heavy storm on the lake. On Saturday while the C. R. L. Co's steamer Thompson was retracing to Kootenai the boat in which the lumberjacks were riding was picked up, turned upside down, and an oar and a paddle were also found, but no trace of the occupants of the boat. It is feared that the boat capsized and the two men were drowned. Search parties are now scouring the lake.

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# Warships in Collision

## Newly Built Third-Class Cruiser Chihaya Struck by Torpedo Destroyer.

## Russian Proclamation in Regard to an Important Chinese Concession of Territory.

The Japanese consul at Singapore reports that three at 4 o'clock on the morning of the 23rd inst., at Sourabaya, Java island. It was discovered later that Fort Mountain which lies some 60 miles to the southwest of the port was in active eruption. The report of the eruption was fearful. There are over 200 coffee plantations and 10 sugar plantations in the district. A large number of natives were engaged on these plantations. So far as is known no lives were lost. The eruption was heard at the distance of one hundred miles. The damage to the sugar crop is roughly estimated to exceed 1,200,000 piculs.

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"Notice is hereby given that we have agreed with the Chinese government that we shall have a concession granted in Tien Tsin as the other powers. In one way its boundary extends from Hoo-ka-woong west of the temple of the God of Wealth on the east side of the Peking, down to Kerosine Oil Godown of Meriak outside of We Ise gate. In the other direction, it stretches from the railway to the river bank. To mark the limits of this concession, boundary stones have been erected, and people owning houses and land properties within these boundaries are hereby notified to register their titles with the Russian authorities before the 1st day of the 6th month. For this purpose H. E. Li Hung Chang has appointed the Russian Consul General for conducting the concession affair in conjunction with the Russian authorities. The examination office is located in the east of the city of Peking. At the expiration of the above date, any piece of land for which no title deed has been presented, will be forfeited. In the event of any title deeds being lost or destroyed during the time of the concession, permission is given to such land owners to apply for new copies with proper security.

"Signed Consul-General for Russia." From a Peking letter it is learned that the cost of the railway in the concession places in the foreridge city of Peking varies from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 taels. After careful computation there is hardly any fund to defray the expense. An official named Chen Kwei-tung has recently memorialized the throne suggesting that a wire should be sent to Wu Tingfang, the Chinese minister to America, instructing him to urge the Chinese in that country to send in subscriptions towards the populace expenses on the condition that if any one may subscribe more than 10,000 taels, he may receive a full button from the Emperor on the same basis as the privilege granted in the late Chihli famine relief fund. The petition of alliance of villagers in the Province of Chihli has also sent, creating further depletions having reached the foreign minister at Peking. The latter has communicated with the Chinese peace plenipotentiaries accordingly, the Chinese plenipotentiaries have advised Mr. Chow Fa, the provincial treasurer of Chihli, have also sent forward many other troops to the scene with strict order to put down the trouble. The petition to Mr. Chamberlain asking for an inquiry into the sanitary condition of Hongkong was to be sent to the governor on the 11th inst. It is reported to be the strongest petition in the matter of Hongkong ever sent to the colony. Nearly all the doctors, architects, and engineers have signed, and it bears over a thousand signatures altogether. The Governor, Sir Henry Blake, wrote home to be sent out. The agitation has so far had this successful result, though there is a widespread opinion that the government has tried to steal a march on the petitioners.

**MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED**  
Of Herbert Gladstone and the Daughter of Sir R. H. Paget.  
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### MONTHLY MEETING.

#### Ladies Committee of Orphans' Home Held Session Yesterday Afternoon—Business Transacted.

The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphanage Home held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, when the applications of six children for admittance to the home were received and referred to the reception committee. It was decided to decline the application for the adoption of a boy of tender years.

Bills amounting to \$83.05 were received and ordered paid.  
The visiting ladies reported as follows: Victoria, Aug. 5, 1901.

**Ladies'—**Your visiting ladies for the month just passed beg to make the following report: Visited the Home each week and saw everything running in usual routine; the matron taking the rest agreed upon at Foot Bay, and Mrs. McElhinny filling the position faithfully and efficiently. Some of the children came to our notice, but after close investigation and due consideration, were brought to a peaceful issue.

The last week of our visit found Mrs. McGregor back to her post, benefited by her much needed holiday.

During the month our hearts were much sorely pained by the death of our beloved vice-president. Her death leaves a void, not easily filled. Her memory cannot fade from our affectionate remembrance, and we can sadly regret that our advice and encouragement which were so often sought from her. Hers were the autumn days of an eventful life, it was as though she were a bright star in the firmament of our lives. Her death is a loss to the uplifting of others. In every kind of philanthropic work, tending to the betterment of our community, in all enterprises for the aid of the distressed, our beloved, sweet, and devoted friend was a central figure.

Your floral committee took it upon themselves to secure appropriate and handsome designs, adorned with words of deep sympathy to the family in their affliction, and would further recommend a letter of condolence be forwarded by our secretary, in reference to which we found our work easy in this respect. Having such beautiful contributions from our Pious Party, little was needed. That little we have placed in the hands of the exchange of our Pious Party.

We had great pleasure in awarding three dollars and a half to Frances Alexander for lovely drawn work done on a table cloth for Mrs. Chalton.

During our visit we were with our lovely report, we respectfully submit all for your kindly consideration.

JENNIE F. McCULLOCH,  
GERTRUDE DENNY.

This report was received and adopted. The secretary was requested to send a letter of condolence to Mayor Hayward and family embodying the expressions of sympathy contained in the above report.

# New Service To-Morrow

## Steamer Majestic Begins Business on Sound Route on Wednesday Morning.

## Utopia and North Pacific Return—No More Chinese Come on Envelopes.

Another revolutionary change affecting the Sound steamer service from this city will be inaugurated to-morrow, when the two old boats now on the run under the flag of Dowell & Company retire from the route, and the fine new clipper boat recently built for the Thompson Steamship Company and known as the Majestic goes on in their place.

Some time ago, when the Victorian was withdrawn from the run to enter the Klondike trade, Dowell & Company announced that as soon as a suitable vessel could be secured for the service she would be either chartered or purchased, and the present move is in the way of carrying out that promise. The change, though slow in coming, will be generally welcomed by the travelling public, for the new steamer has the reputation of being very fast. She is the only vessel that has been available for the route in the long interval, and it is this fact that explains the protracted service of the inferior passenger steamers which have been running and which, after to-day,

will be relegated to some less important business. The new Majestic begins her service to-morrow, leaving at 11 o'clock for a port of call which at present is not in the daily schedule of the steamers because of their insufficient speed, at 7 o'clock. She will leave Seattle three hours later, and should arrive here by 4 o'clock in the afternoon, after calling as usual at Port Townsend. On her return, she will sail from Victoria on Saturday. Her lay-over day will be Saturday, but whether the steamer will remain over in Victoria has not been stated. In view of the change the Rosalie takes the morning run, and hereafter will be due to arrive at 6 a.m. and to sail at 9 o'clock.

The Times-to-day is enabled to present a cut of the new steamer. She is already been described in this column. She is an upper cabin craft, built somewhat after the lines of the old City of Kingston. She is a propeller steamer, 176 feet long by 30 feet beam, her moulded depth being 14.5 feet. Her engines are triple expansion, high pressure, the cylinder being 18 inches in diameter; intermediate, 30 1/2 inches; low pressure, 51 inches, with a piston stroke of 2 feet 4 inches. The engines are supplied with steam from three Scotch marine boilers, each 10 feet 6 inches in diameter and 11 feet long, to be allowed 180 pounds of steam, government test. Running at full capacity the engines develop 1,500 horsepower, and are capable of driving the 11-foot propeller, with a 17-foot shaft, at the rate of 130 revolutions a minute.

The house work of the steamer are well represented in the cut. There are 28 staterooms. On the hurricane deck is a full circle pilot house, with three rooms, containing the captain's, pilot's and clerk's apartments, being full width and adjoining the aft side of the pilot house. After the captain's rooms are two rooms for the mate and watch. The steamer cost of the neighborhood of \$35,000, the machinery being alone worth \$55,000. The vessel throughout is lighted by electricity.

**PLAGUE ON THE DECREASE.**  
Soon after the Times went to press last evening the R. M. S. Empress of Japan put in an appearance in the Straits and was reported from Cernanah, the steamer Queen City left the inner wharf to meet the inbound Oriental steamer at 7 o'clock, and returned at an early hour this morning, bringing the Victoria mails and passengers, but no Chinese. The Mongolian traveller did not arrive on the Japan this trip, and for this reason the ship was inspected, contrary to recent custom, at night. Her saloon list of passengers, however, was very large, there being among those aboard over two dozen German and Eng-

lish army and naval officers, who have been serving in the East and are returning. Some of the Canadian troops, in absence and others on a more extended term of holiday. Major-General Gascoigne, who succeeded Major Herbert in command of the Canadian troops, was also a passenger. He and Mrs. Gascoigne and maid have come from Hongkong, to where the former was transferred, and is acting as military commander of the Canadian troops. The usual number of missionaries formed a part of the passengers, among them being Miss Lydia A. Tremble, an Iowa lady, who went to China in 1882, and has worked in the Methodist mission in that country ever since. Of those on pleasure bent were Mr. and Mrs. H. Hooper Perry, the former has been hunting game in South Africa, India and other countries, and has come to British Columbia to follow up his favorite pastime. Both departed here. The complete list of passengers was as follows: Mr. P. Bosz d'Amoy, Mr. C. van Alderwerelt, Capt. C. H. Alexander, Lieut. C. F. Ballard, R.N., Miss Balthazar, Capt. Battine, Mr. Barique, M. Barrette, Lieut. Becker, Mr. A. Hood Berg, Mr. H. Berkeley, Lieut. McNeil, Mr. B. Beck, Mr. Bettington, Mr. J. J. Boggs, Mrs. J. J. Boggs and child, Major von Thorenkolzen, Capt. von Borner, Mr. G. W. McEwen and Mrs. Bremner, Mr. M. G. Briggs, R.N., Lieut. C. Russell Brown, Mr. J. Buchanan and child, Rev. T. A. and Mrs. Cairns and two children, Mrs. C. Carman, Mrs. N. Carsey, Miss Chadwick, Stepan G. H. Cole, A.M.S., Mr. W. L. Crossan, Mr. J. P. Danahan, Mr. Walter Harbart, Capt. H. M. Elliot, Mr. F. Elmore, Mr. Frank H. England, Mr. J. F. Eyre, Mr. A. Fitch, Mr. J. C. Fox, Lieut. F. Franck, Lieut. W. Franck, Mr. S. Gabriel, Mr. H. Galt, Major Gen. and Mrs. Gascoigne, valet and maid, L. von Gilzenheim, the Lieut. Rev. B. von Graves, D.D., Capt. G. H. Gault, R.E.M., Mr. B. Gungahon, Mrs. G. Hain-

in gold already for shipment. The manager, J. B. Sutton, was a passenger on the steamer. Other arrivals were W. Wilson and Capt. Irving, who were down the coast looking over a number of mining properties in which they are interested; W. Heath, the victim of an accident in which he had his leg injured through falling over a cliff some 30 feet in height while out prospecting with Newton's party; T. S. Gore, from Albatross; P. O. Swallow, D. B. H. Irving, H. Hayward, H. E. Newton, J. W. Williams, A. J. Blair, B. Flaherty, P. Anderson, Mrs. Serault, Misses Woodward, Master Shields, McDonald, A. B. Polloch and T. Summers. The Queen City sails again for the West Coast to-morrow evening.

**FIRST SEALING FATALITY.**  
Particulars of the drowning of four men at the entrance to Gray's Harbor on July 26th are given in the San Francisco papers. The sealing schooner Kate and Anna, Captain Lutjens, fitted out at San Pedro for a cruise along the coast to Alaska, and decided to put in at Gray's Harbor. Two of the schooner's boats were put out for the purpose of taking the vessel into deep water. When this was accomplished the boats were ordered to sea, but one of them, through misunderstanding, followed the schooner in and was capsized. The four men, who were all drowned within five minutes, despite the efforts of the men on the schooner to save them. The drowned men were: Joseph Pein, of San Pedro; Robert Walker, of South San Francisco; Frank Pein, of Hamburg, Germany; and Joseph Staley, address unknown. All of them shipped at San Pedro June 19th. None of the bodies has come ashore.

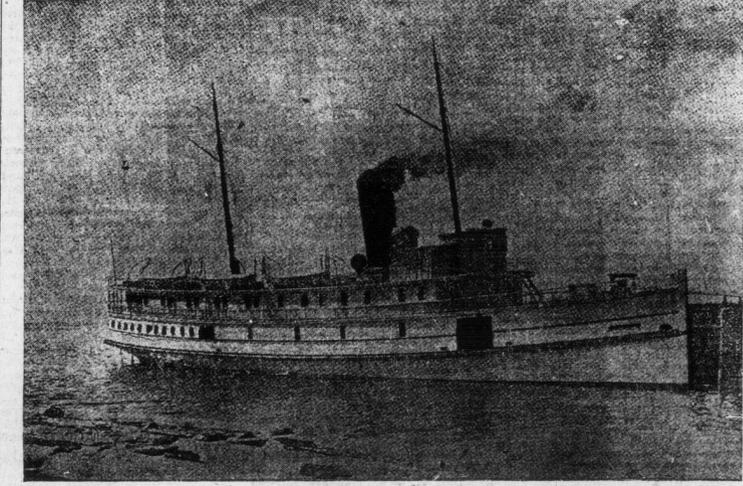
**STEAMER LINE TO JAVA.**  
United States Consul Bairden, of Batavia, is authority for the statement that line of steamships is likely to be es-

tablished between Java and British Columbia. He says: "The Koninklijke Paketvaart Maatschappij (Royal Packet Company), of this place, has proposed to open a steamship line between Java and the west coast of America, calling at Chinese and Japanese ports. Negotiations between this company and the Netherlands colonial office in relation to amount of subsidy to be allowed by the government have been going on for more than a month. The company, however, is not yet prepared to start this line. The question arises whether the ships will obtain sufficient cargo at the American, Chinese and Japanese ports to make it pay.

In connection with the above it might be stated that the Vancouver Sugar Refinery gets most of its supplies from Java, and charters a steamer every three or four months to take cargo to the Terminal City, the Crusader being now under way with sugar. The necessity for these charters would, it is thought, be obviated with the establishment of a new line of steamers.

**THE AMERICAN-HAWAIIAN LINE.**  
According to the Honolulu Republican, the American-Hawaiian steamer line has made Seattle its terminus because of that port's proximity to the coal mines of Vancouver Island. The Republican says: "The rate made for the steamers is a remarkably low one, and for this reason the agents have no difficulty in getting orders for space in the vessel, so when she leaves the Sound for Honolulu she will be well loaded. The reason for the vessel making the northern trip is for the purpose of getting cheap coal at the British Columbia collieries; where a vessel of the Californian's size could, there is great expense attached to the business. The Californian will take about 2,500 tons of coal in her bunkers. This may be obtained right at the British Columbia collieries for a saving of \$10,000 on the price for the same article in San Francisco. Being in the neighborhood of the Sound, she will naturally look for business, as she will come right to Honolulu after coaling. This being the case, she can take freight for what it costs her to handle it, and the merchants of the islands will get the benefit of the new arrangement."

**PAPER FROM SCOTLAND.**  
One of the items on the manifest of the ship Lario Law, now discharging at the outer wharf, is a consignment of paper for the government of Scotland. This shipment came from Scotland, and is but one of many similar which now comes by sailing ship to British Columbia. The large government office being closed for the summer, the paper is most entirely supplied by Scotch manufacturers. The reason of this is claimed to be due to the comparatively cheap



THE NEW CLIPPER WHICH ENTERS THE SOUND-VICTORIA SERVICE TO-MORROW.

# A Short Session

## Council Disposed of Municipal Business in Quick Order Last Evening.

## Tenders for the Purchase of City Debentures Referred to Finance Committee

Council business occupied less than an hour last evening, the order of routine being such as not to call for any extended discussion.

After preliminaries, a letter was read from Messrs. Davie, Pooley & Laxton notifying the board that they had received instruction to take action at once if a nuisance in the shape of a stable at the rear of the board of trade building was not removed forthwith. The communication was referred to the sanitary officer for report.

A. W. Jones was complaining of the sidewalk on Mezzies street being out of repair where the earth had been thrown on it by those working on the car line. After some short discussion as to who was entitled to make the repairs, the report was referred to the city engineer.

J. D. McNeiven, secretary of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council, called attention to the Labor Day celebration, asking that the board donate \$500 toward defraying the expenses of the event. Large crowds from neighboring cities were expected to arrive for the celebration, and the city's contribution was asked to aid in meeting the expense of entertaining these visitors. The council referred to the finance committee for report.

C. P. Barslaw, agent for the Ottawa Fire Insurance Co., asked for share of the city's business. Referred to the finance committee for report.

E. M. Neilands drew attention to the poor sanitary condition of a drain at 190 Chatham street. Received and referred to the sanitary officer.

W. Kitto, secretary of the local society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, expressed the satisfaction with at the city getting the necessary support sticks for the municipal carts, pointing out that these vehicles could now be looked on as object lessons.

F. M. Rattenbury requested that the sewer connection be extended on Store street. Referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for report.

H. Greenhurst, secretary of the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs, wrote calling attention to the convention to be held at Tacoma in the near future.

Ald. Stewart said it had been customary for the council to devote a small sum towards the benefit of the association, and he would like to hear from the other aldermen on the subject.

Ald. Williams was in favor that the fire chief of this city should attend, in view of the importance of the gathering and the lessons to be learned. Referred to the fire wardens for report.

City Engineer Topp recommended that the sewers about Mr. Hooper's residence on Belleville street be renewed at a cost of \$90, and that a drain be constructed westward through the property adjacent to the Taylor mill at an expense of \$100. This latter work, the engineer explained, would not entirely remove the nuisance which had been complained of, but it would improve its present condition. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

Superintendent Johnson, of the City Market building, reported the revenue from that building during the last month, as \$149.

M. L. Holden and three others petitioned for a sidewalk on Meers, above Cook street. Referred to the city engineer for report.

The finance committee reported in respect to the non-collection of taxes from Joshua Davie, auctioneer, that it could not see its way clear to taking any different position on the matter to that which they have already taken, namely, of insisting on the payment of same.

The finance committee further recommended the payment of accounts amounting to \$4,084.75. Carried.

The tenders for the purchase of the city debentures were, on motion of Ald. Williams, referred to the finance committee for report.

The motion of Ald. Williams in regard to the barber shop sanitary regulations was left in abeyance. Ald. Cooley, referred then adjourned to meet again this evening, when the report from the finance committee concerning the tenders for the purchase of the city debentures will be received and considered, together with some civic improvement matters.

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE**  
Passed By Friendly Help Society This Morning—Donations During Month.  
The monthly meeting of the Friendly Help Society was held at their room, City Market, this morning, when the usual reports were received. During the month eight had groceries, three milk daily, four meat and clothing to a large number. Eighteen in all had assistance. A groom tested out on the meeting as the late beloved president's chair was vacant, and as soon as the meeting was opened by the hon. president, Miss Perrin, the following resolution of condolence was recorded:

"The Friendly Help Association desires to express their deep sympathy with the bereaved family and their family in their sad bereavement, and they wish to place on record their high appreciation of the faithful work done by their late beloved president in the interests of the association."

The following donations have been thankfully received during the month: A. Friend, Mrs. Worlock, Mrs. Hamington, Mrs. B. C. Moss, Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. George Gillespie and Mrs. L. F. Duff, clothing; R. Porter & Sons, meat.

Forks were employed on the continent in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. In Venice they were used, but more for show than on account of the actual service they were to perform. They were not brought into Britain until after the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

her health began to fail. Every-thing could be thought of was done, but it was of no use. It was thought nothing would reach the end of her life. We tried different plans, but all in vain. When she began to die, she was quite stout, weighed 120 lbs. She kept falling and I thought there was no use, she was so fat. Friends all said, you will never see your daughter. I must try, doctor, only for you! Favorite Prescription my daughter would have been saved. When she had a half bottle of the natural fance established, and we bought one, making only two bottles in all, she was completely recovered. Since she is as well as ever.

Women Well and Keeps Them Well.  
Favorite Prescription not only restores the young woman health to health, but it preserves the womanly however it is attacked. Under certain conditions a cold may derange the womanly health; excitement, shock, great grief and another thing may be the cause of womanly disorders. At such times Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription may be relied on to re-establish perfect health.

"Favorite Prescription" establishes regularity, drives venereal poisons, treats inflammation and ulceration, and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

"It gives me much pleasure," writes Miss Ella Samp, of James Hillford Co., N. C. "to thank Dr. Pierce for the great good received from his 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Medical Discovery.' I had suffered three years or more at months, it seemed as though I would never rise to my feet at all without pain in my back and stomach. I had given up all hope of ever being well, when one of my friends informed me of Dr. Pierce's 'Favorite Prescription.' With but little faith, and before I had taken half a bottle, I felt better, had better appetite, and better health. Now I have taken two bottles of 'Favorite Prescription,' and one of 'Medical Discovery,' and can say I am entirely cured, and all my troubles are over. I am now well, and I had failed to do any good at all."

Women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce's letter, free, and so avoid the examinations, immodest questions, and the expense of a home physician often deemed necessary. All letters addressed to Dr. Pierce, strictly private and confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

"Favorite Prescription" has the testimonials of thousands of women in its columns, and is a well known and improved substitute for any other medicine.

Others Think So.  
"I give you my 'Medical Adviser' book," writes Miss Flora L. 107 Hoise street, Akron, Ohio, "that every one should own, and that every one would read it, and that every one would read it, and that every one would read it, and that every one would read it."

From the Cape to Cairo, in 60 days? He was asked, "Yes, just to start the ball a-rolling."

**SALUTING STATION.**  
A Saluting Station of Seven-Pounders Established at the Point.  
An agreement was made in the Times office to the effect that henceforth there was to be a saluting station on the State wharves, and some have since been asked regarding the significance of the step. As a matter of fact it would be more proper to call this a British saluting station of the Times will remember in the United States battleship visited this port some time ago Admiral Kautz on board, she gave admiral salute on approaching the shore, and it was from the salute that the salute was acknowledged. The salute was explained to him that it was intended to honor the admiral. The salute was explained to him that it was intended to honor the admiral. The salute was explained to him that it was intended to honor the admiral.

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The feet are all on fire, hot and burning, and soothing Foot Balm which takes out all the fire, allays the inflammation, brings comfort. Price 25c, a box at or by mail. Stott & Jury, Bow-Out.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria Meteorological Office. 31st July to 6th August, 1901. The weather throughout the entire week has been remarkably fine—a typical British Columbia summer.

the vigilance of her health officers, maintained a clean bill of health, no hesitation was felt in allowing the men ashore here, and in this way the corporation reaped a distinct benefit.

principal thoroughfares. Not a few accidents more or less serious to cyclists have been caused by these obstacles, and many a rider has been heard to murmur that "surely the way of the cyclist is hard."

Secretary Boggs Returns Brimful of Roseate Impressions and Good Ideas. This Province Entirely Unrepresented at the Prairie Province's Exhibition.

men residing in the States, who were desirous of coming to this province to take up fruit growing. R. L. Palmer, provincial fruit inspector, Mr. Boggs said, did excellent work in the horticultural department by giving valuable information regarding fruit growing in this province.

Every detail in connection with the assaying and purchasing of gold in Victoria and the issuance of a rebate on the royalty has been settled, the provincial government yesterday receiving the necessary instructions in regard to the last mentioned phase of the question from Ottawa.

Ready For The Gold Investigation. A Prisoner Gives Evidence Before the Commission at New Westminster. While Witness Was on the Stand.

Local News.

CLEANINGS OF CITY AND DISTRICTS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

From Tuesday's Daily. Dr. Fagan, secretary of the provincial board of health, reports the province wholly free of smallpox. Over one hundred cases had been treated since last November.

The funeral of the late Isaac Lancaster took place from the family residence, 171 Cook street, and later from St. Barnabas church this afternoon.

Assistant Receiver-General McLaughlin received from the Dominion Express Company, \$38,000 in 5, 10, 25 and 50 cent pieces, direct from the mint, London, Eng.

This morning the B. C. Central Furnishing Company shipped to Hill the casket for the remains of the late Charles Melrose, who fell to his death down a shaft in the Tree mine on Sunday.

The glorious weather in which Victoria is reveling is a source of comfort and joy to the officials of the department of education, as it will almost certainly form the basis for requests from the school boards of the interior cities for an extension of the holiday term.

The members of the trades and labor council are pushing forward the arrangements in connection with the forthcoming demonstration with enthusiasm, and are most gratified at the cordiality with which the affair is being entered into by unionists in other cities.

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London Officials Pleased With Business-Like Proceedings of Local Branch.

Question of Celebrating "Trafalgar Day" in Victoria Discussed Last Night.

The British Columbia branch of the Navy League held their regular monthly meeting last evening, when business of a very gratifying nature was discussed.

On American Day, the last day, fully 15,000 visitors from the other side were in attendance. Children's Day was voted by all the managers to be the most important occasion on which children should be admitted at a reduced rate.

The letter from the parent league in London was read, which after acknowledging the receipt of printed extracts from the Victoria Daily Times touching the public meeting held in this city on the 25th of June, and a copy of the by-laws of the branches, proceeded to say:

"Will you permit me to say that I think you appear to be acting in an extremely businesslike manner, and if the branch goes on as it has begun, it certainly should do good work."

"I note that Senator Templeman's utterances are very much to the point, and I think the branches of this organization in the Dominion should be actively engaged in a very important part in shaping the future policy so far as naval defence is concerned. As you will doubtless have seen by the papers a great deal of discussion has taken place here lately on the subject of the navy. Our president and a member of the executive committee visited the Mediterranean fleet, and were afforded every facility for ascertaining the actual condition of things. Acting upon good advice we placed this before the press of the country. The result has been a thorough shaking up of naval matters, and the authorities have had a pin struck in them which should materially quicken their movements as far as the ship building programme is concerned."

"I beg especially to congratulate you upon the businesslike construction of your by-laws. I cannot say that all our branches are conspicuous for their accuracy and businesslike behavior, but I very gladly commend the condition of things to be holding out by your part of the organization."

The letter is signed by W. K. S. O'Leary, chief secretary in London. The celebration of "Trafalgar Day" on the 21st of October next was discussed. This memorable occasion is celebrated in a great number of cities throughout the Empire. It will in all probability be commemorated in British Columbia in a fitting manner. The question was deferred until later for further consideration.

COUNT WALTERS. Commander of the Allies in China Has Arrived at Hamburg.

Hamburg, Aug. 8.—Steamer Gera, which brought Count Waldersse, arrived to-day. The field marshal landed immediately amid cheers from the crowd assembled. General G. Wittich, representing Emperor William, welcomed him. After an inspection of the guard of honor the field marshal, accompanied by Gen. von Wittich and escorted by a squadron of Chans, proceeded to the town hall. He was warmly applauded as he passed through the thronged and decorated streets. At the town hall the field marshal was received by the senate, which body subsequently gave a luncheon in his honor.

Gen. von Wittich read to Count Waldersse a cabinet order in which the Emperor thanked him for his Chinese services and bestowed upon him the order Pour Le Merite with oak leaves and diamonds. The Ninth Regiment of field artillery hereafter bear the name of Von Waldersse.

While the gold is then transferred at once to the assay office, where it is melted into a bar, upon which the value is stamped, and returned to the treasury. A certificate representing the net value of the gold, minus the assay charges and plus the rebate of one per cent, is given to the miner. This certificate is of the same character as the draft excepting that it will specify no bank, so that no favoritism will be shown. The vendor of the gold reaps the advantage of having a cheque which will be honored by any bank in Victoria.

While the gold is being assayed any of the banks will issue advances on the miner on the treasury certificate to the amount of fifty per cent. There will be little occasion for drawing on the banks pending the issue of the gold being determined, as the value of the converting the dust into a form which will represent dollars and cents to the miner will occupy but a few hours.

The marketing of the gold is a question which the provincial government will have to take up separately. If a Dominion mint were already established it is possible that the Ottawa government would ask that the gold upon which they had issued rebate should be deposited in the Dominion mint. Finding its establishment, however, the marketing will be conducted on a purely commercial basis, being sold to Philadelphia, San Francisco or whatever point offers at the time the greatest inducement. The marketing will be conducted in the same way as others.

The officials of the department, especially the provincial assayer, Mr. Garrioch, are enthusiastic over the arrangement, and express the opinion that it is the best adopted since the gold was first marketed in Victoria, Vancouver, and the province generally would profit as Seattle has in the past by the presence of an up-to-date establishment where the miner could part with his gold for a cash equivalent in the space of a few hours.

THE ROYAL TROOP. Official Intimation That It Will Not Be Curtailed.

London, Aug. 7.—It was officially announced to-day that the tour of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York will not be curtailed.

BIRTHS. LUXTON—On August 7th, at "Oakfield," Rockland avenue, the wife of A. F. Luxton, barrister-at-law, a daughter, Miss Alice Luxton.

KEYES—At Victoria, on July 24th, the wife of Hugh Keyes, of a son.

BRADLEY—At 35 John street, on August 7th, the wife of W. Bradley, of a daughter.

BELL—At Revelstoke, on August 2nd, the wife of George W. Bell, of a daughter.

FAWCETT—At 216 Pandora street, on August 7th, the wife of F. F. Fawcett, of a daughter.

MCDONNELL—At Nelson, on July 27th, the wife of H. E. McDonnell, of a son.

BASSETT—At New Westminster, on August 6th, the wife of J. C. Bassett, of a daughter.

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INVERLEITH—At Victoria, on August 7th, the wife of J. M. Inverleith, of a daughter, Miss Inverleith.

SMITH—On the 2nd inst., at the Jubilee hospital, John William Smith, aged 75 years, a native of Walsley, W. Va.

DUTEAU—At White Valley, on July 30th, Vincent Duteau, aged 75 years.

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RICHARDSON—At Vancouver, on August 6th, the wife of J. H. Richardson, aged 81 years, a native of Walsley, W. Va.

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