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JAPS CONTINUE TO BOMBARD FORTRESS

Long Range Shelling of Port Arthur--Skirmishes Between Outposts--The Sinking of the Transports.

Vladivostok, June 20.—It is believed the Japanese transports sunk in the straits of Korea by the Russian warships were conveying a portion of the army. There was no alternative except to torpedo the Hitachi and Idzumi, as their crews refused to surrender.

The British collier Allanton, captured by the Russians, has been brought to this port. She has on board 6,500 tons of anthracite coal. A prize court has assembled to try her.

VLADIVOSTOK SHIPS HAVE REACHED PORT. St. Petersburg, June 20.—The Vladivostok squadron returned to port yesterday.

The admiral has received a long report of Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff's cruise. It does not mention a bombardment of the Japanese coast.

In view of Vice-Admiral Skrydloff's statement that the Japanese transport Sado was sunk, the admiral is awaiting an explanation of the Tokio telegram saying that the Sado was being towed to port.

JAP ARTILLERY INCLUDED SIEGE GUNS. Simchen, Manchuria, June 20.—The Japanese artillery at the battle of Vafangow included heavy siege guns using 100 lb shells.

NO SOLDIERS COULD WITHSTAND JAPANESE. Newchwang, June 20.—A Russian officer, who was wounded in the battle at Vafangow, told a press correspondent that the losses on both sides were heavy.

He placed the Russian casualties at at least seven thousand. He says no soldiers in the world could withstand the Japanese as they have been fighting lately.

Their artillery fire he claims is marvellously effective. The Russians fought stubbornly, but they were unable to withstand the enemy's dash and consistency.

Several hundred wounded Russians have been sent north owing to a lack of hospitals and surgeons. All the available transportation has to be used for supplies at the expense of the sick and wounded.

The Japanese buried most of the Russians' dead after the battle. It is estimated on information obtained that the Japanese force moving northward is 70,000 strong, with 90,000 men in the aggregate engaged in the operations at Port Arthur.

Several Japanese spies have recently been captured a few miles to the south of Newchwang.

ALEXIEFF A KNIGHT OF THE TRUE CROSS. St. Petersburg, June 20.—The Patriarch of Jerusalem has appointed Vice-roy Alexieff a Knight of the True Cross and has sent to the Viceroy the decoration, containing a piece of the true cross, with a letter expressing the hope that he will preserve him from all harm and enable him to come off victorious in his fight for the orthodox church.

SKRYDLOFF'S SUCCESS WILL RESTORE CONFIDENCE. St. Petersburg, June 19.—Vice-Admiral Skrydloff's message to the Emperor, detailing the successful operations of the Vladivostok squadron, will, it is believed, have an excellent moral effect.

Fifteen thousand tons of shipping was destroyed, together with troops, crews and valuable supplies. It will also be necessary to divert a considerable section of Admiral Togo's fleet in an attempt either to round up the Vladivostok squadron or to protect the line of sea transport, concerning which the Japanese until recently felt so secure.

CORRESPONDENT BACK FROM PORT ARTHUR. Indianapolis, Ind., June 20.—The News has just received a special cablegram from Hector Miller, its correspondent at Chefoo, giving the following account of his release from Port Arthur and the situation inside the besieged fortress:

"Chefoo: After spending five days in a Russian prison I was released and put aboard a Chinese junk and brought to this place. The stories of starvation in Port Arthur, spread by the Japanese, are untrue, as steamers and supplies are constantly arriving at the beleaguered city from Chinese ports. The Japanese blockade is ineffective.

"The garrison, consisting of between fifty and sixty thousand troops. The health of both soldiers and civilians is good.

"The damaged battleships have all been repaired, and the harbor entrance which has just returned from their successful raid in the Japan sea and straits of Korea. Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff took the squadron out on June 12th. The first day the warships were fog-bound. They reached the Korean straits on June 15th, and were sighted and watched by a fast three-masted Japanese cruiser. On the Tsu island the Russians pursued the vessel resembling a yacht, which escaped inshore. They sank the Japanese transport Idzumi of Kosen island.

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reported to have been shot. The retreating Russians believed him to be a spy. A letter from Emerson was received World shortly before the receipt of the cable dated May 14th, containing expressions: "Mukden is muzzled; no news can go out from there. I find I cannot get into the Russian lines."

Emerson left the Japanese army some time ago and pushed on to Mukden.

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situation are thoroughly appreciated. The naval attaches have abandoned the plan to visit Port Arthur and are going to Vladivostok.

NEGOTIATING FOR PURCHASE OF CRUISERS. St. Petersburg, June 20.—3 p.m.—It is now definitely established that negotiations for the purchase by Russia of Argentine cruisers had almost reached a successful conclusion, when Argentine raised the question as to under what flag they would be transferred, she being unwilling to sell under the Argentine flag.

The medium through which the negotiations were conducted suggested the transfer to Venezuela, Costa Rica or Bulgaria. The Russian cabinet refused to Russia, but President Roca rejected the proposal, insisting that a bona fide trading power should be the purchaser.

The harbor entrance through the Argentine legation at Paris. The hazard of my position became so obvious that the same day, Saturday, June 11th, I set out on my return to Louisa Bay.

I presently came in sight of a large body of Russian infantry, when I took refuge in a Chinese village, where I found a hiding place until all the danger was over.

I had not proceeded far from the village when I came upon a small party of sappers. In order to avoid them I made a dash up the hill only to run into another regiment engaged in trenching. Instantly I was surrounded.

The officers in command detailed a guard to take me to Pigeon Bay. There I was searched, my money and all the papers in my possession were taken. Thereupon I was blindfolded and marched to Port Arthur.

Port Arthur was full of life and gaiety, quite out of keeping with the conditions of distress that had reached Chefoo. Indeed, nothing of this sort was observed. The harbor entrance was an abundance of supplies, and fresh supplies were coming in from Chinese sources.

The Japanese blockade has not been freed from obstruction; the battleships have been repaired and the fortifications are constantly being made stronger. The garrison is larger than outside information has led me to believe, the troops are in excellent condition and the general health conditions of the troops are good.

There are good reasons to be no fear that the city was likely soon to fall.

After the examination was completed I was lodged in prison. While I was in the prison I was subjected to several different examinations. I asked the opportunity of seeing General Stoessel, the commander at Port Arthur, that I might by my case directly before him.

At last, after five days in prison, my plea was allowed, and I was taken before the commander-in-chief. I made a straight-forward statement of the facts of my case, seeking to penetrate the Russian lines, and gave a detailed account of my trip. At last he was convinced of my good faith.

He said: "You correspondents must be crazy."

"As the result of this hearing of my case General Stoessel decided that I was to be allowed to visit Port Arthur on condition that I promise never to return. The promise was promptly forthcoming. Thereupon I was again blindfolded and taken back under guard by the direct route to Louisa Bay.

"On the whole, I may say that while I was in the hands of the Russians I was kindly treated."

"On the night of June 13th the Japanese made another attack on Port Arthur, both by land and sea. I saw distinctly the firing from my cell window. When the attack was over the Russian officers returned laughing to their quarters, reporting that the enemy had been easily repulsed."

"The talk is that General Kouropatkin is likely soon to take charge in person at Port Arthur."

RETIRED WITH LOSS OF ELEVEN HUNDRED. London, June 22.—A despatch to the Daily Mail, under the date of June 21st, from Newchwang, says while a Russian force of 8,000, under Gen. Kondratiev, was traversing the route to ravine, nine miles southeast of Kalchen, on June 19th, it was surprised by concealed Japanese artillery.

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THE SHOOTING OF COL. E. EMERSON JR. Seattle, June 22.—The facts leading up to the shooting of Col. Edward Emerson, jr., war correspondent of the New York World in the Far East, are related by R. L. Dunn, correspondent in Korea for an American weekly magazine, who has reached here. Mr. Dunn makes this statement after being informed that Col. Emerson was dead: "Col. Emerson, as a military man, was well aware of the positions occupied by Japanese soldiers. Some time ago he made the announcement that he intended to go through the Russian lines and work from that vantage point.

"When it came to the ears of the Japanese military authorities that Emerson intended to take this step, an officer approached another representative of Emerson's paper and informed him that if he took such a step the government could scarcely be further responsible for his safety.

"I contemplated a move similar to that outlined by Emerson," said Mr. Dunn, "but the Japanese made it clear to me that it would not be wise for me to proceed.

"Emerson had papers which would have carried him through the Russian lines in safety. In view of that fact I am inclined to think the real story of his death has not been learned."

INCENDIARY TAKEN AT PORT WILLIAM WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR NUMEROUS FIRES

Summer Resort in Quebec Nearly Wiped Out—Church, Store and Hotels Destroyed.

Wakefield, Que., June 20.—This village, well known as a summer resort, was nearly wiped out by fire yesterday afternoon. The general store of George Patterson was destroyed, valued at \$20,000, insurance \$3,000; the Union and Riverside hotels, the Presbyterian church and Armstrong's blacksmith shop were also destroyed; loss \$20,000, with small insurance.

A Windfall. Emerson, June 21.—Prof. Little, hand-master here, has fallen heir to \$20,000. He has gone to New York on route to England to claim it.

Fire Bug Captured. Winnipeg, June 21.—Albert Tangua, a foreigner, has been arrested at Port William and confessed to being a fire bug who has started mysterious fires for a year and a half.

Decorations at Fair. Winnipeg, June 21.—At the Dominion fair building the decorations will take the form of that adopted at the Pan-American at Buffalo. Plaster walls to imitate stone will be built the full length in front of the main building, and the roof will be supported by columns of magnificent architectural design. The city is to stand the expense.

Dead From Burns. Nanapan, Ont., June 21.—Miss Ida Clark, 22 years of age, of Estevan, has died as the result of severe burns received by her clothing becoming ignited from oil, which she was heating on a stove, boiling over.

Building Permits. Winnipeg, June 21.—Building permits have reached a total of \$5,563,000.

The Cattle Ranges. Winnipeg, June 21.—J. T. Gordon, of the cattle firm of Gordon & Ironsides, has returned from a tour of Alberta ranges. On one of the firm's ranches over 4,000 calves will be branded. Shipping will start about the end of August. The outlook is for fairly good prices for the early marketed animals.

Killed by Dynamite. Montreal, June 21.—Alexander Taillefer, blacksmith, 49 years of age, was killed by an explosion of dynamite while boring a well on a farm at Longue Point yesterday afternoon.

TWO MEN KILLED. Met Death While on Board a Yacht at New York.

New York, June 22.—An explosion occurred in the bay early this morning on the auxiliary sloop yacht Cleo, which was owned by Albert Ackie, a rigger, of Brooklyn. She was equipped for a gasoline engine. Last night Ackie and Chas. Johnson, a storekeeper, went on board the Cleo to sleep, and that was the last seen of either of them. The boat is lying in the bay bottom up, and the only trace of the men discovered so far was a portion of a human body and a Derby hat and a bloody shoe, picked up from the water.



LIEUT.-GEN. BARON HASEGAWA, Commander of Imperial Guards Division.

She carried 1,350 coolies for railroad work in Korea, 1,200 tons of coal, 1,000 tons of rice, railroad and telegraph apparatus, a hundred horses and a large amount of specie, which was thrown overboard by the pumper. Besides ten boats the Sado carried twelve rafts, each capable of carrying 100 men. As soon as the crew was ordered to leave the ship the coolies rushed on deck, fired the boats and headed for the coast. Admiral Bezobrazoff sent boats to the Sado to take of the captain and officers. Captain Oguro, twelve military officers and three Englishmen in the Japanese service, came. The others refused to leave the ship. The Russians having done everything possible to save the lives of those on board, discharged two torpedoes against the vessel. A heavy squall broke at that time and hid the transport from view.

Three-masted Japanese cruiser witnessed the whole affair. The Russians caught her wireless message. The apparatus on the enemy's cruiser worked incessantly and messages were recorded on board the Russian cruisers and were translated by some of the Japanese prisoners. One message read: "The Russians are in the straits, run for safety."

The prize court is certain to condemn the British collier Allanton, captured by the Russian squadron during the raid. She came at the beginning of the war and went round the Cape of Good Hope.

RETURN TO POSSIBLE AFTER A LONG WAIT. Possiet, June 20.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The Russian force stationed at Slavianskaya, near the Korean frontier, has returned from that place after having waited two months for the Japanese advance.

JAPS WILL UNITE FOR GREAT BATTLE

KUROKI MAY NOW MOVE TO THE SOUTH

Communication Between Armies Practically Assured—Kouropatkin to Reinforce Stakeberg.

Kaichau, Liao Tung Peninsula, June 22.—The Japanese scouts have appeared two miles from Senchen (Sungyochan). The main body of the enemy are three miles in their rear. General Samonoff, of the rear guard, is falling back as the Japanese advance.

A number of men missing after the battle of Vafangow have joined their regiments. The Russian losses are expected to total 3,500.

The troops are in excellent condition in spite of the fearful weather. The roads are ankle deep in mud, but the rains are now clearing.

General Kouropatkin arrived on Monday and inspected General Stakeberg's corps and addressed the troops, saying: "I shall see you soon again. We must settle with the Japanese promptly. Till then we are not going home."

The general also addressed the regiments which specially distinguished themselves in the recent fighting and presented the St. George's Cross to 250 officers and men, who were drawn up on the platform of the train and who gave the commander-in-chief a hearty send-off.

Kouropatkin stood on the steps of his train as it moved out and waved a friendly adieu to his troops.

The reports of the Japanese treatment of prisoners and wounded are marked by extraordinary kindness. In some cases the greatest kindness has been shown to the Russians, but from elsewhere come reports of brutality and worse.

On incident in the field in which the Japanese during the night sent the Russian wounded on the field, sent Chinese bearers and had them removed to a hospital.

Sungyochan, mentioned in the dispatch, is 25 miles southeast of Kaichau.

JAPS NOW HOLD A STRONG POSITION.

Liao Yang, June 22.—Speaking of the details of the battle of Vafangow, a correspondent of the Associated Press who was present at the battle of Vafangow says the work of the Red Cross attending the wounded under fire was beyond all praise. A Red Cross assistant was killed and another wounded. The Tobolsk battalion saved the last hospital train from Vafangow by throwing itself between the train and the force of Japanese and by holding off the enemy while the train steamed out under a heavy fire. Fire burned the Red Cross at Vafangow, destroying almost all of the supplies of the sisters of mercy and much hospital supplies.

The Japanese army, based at Shiyen, is steadily moving northward. It is reported that the Japanese in the vicinity of Port Arthur are now entirely inactive and that the Russians are not concerned regarding the situation there, that in the north being now the most important factor. General Kouropatkin seems omnipresent. It is believed that he has visited the entire front since the battle.

The Japanese fleet is probably cooperating with General Oku's advance along the coast. The two Japanese armies threaten momentarily to attempt a junction, assisted by a force on the north shore of the Gulf of Liao Tung. Heavy rains have been falling since June 19th, and have hampered operations. They indicate the commencement of the rainy season in the south, though possibly for a month or more it will be dry in the north.

YAO OCCUPIED BY JAPANESE TROOPS.

Tokio, June 22.—7 p. m.—Advices here say that the army under General Oku occupied Yao yesterday without opposition.

NO NEWS OF ANY FURTHER FIGHTING.

St. Petersburg, June 22.—The dispatch from Liao Yang dated June 21st praising the work of the Red Cross at the Vafangow battle, disposes of the report at Newchwang that Liao Yang had been captured by the Japanese on June 20th. The authorities have no news of fighting in that region, though there is a probability of an encounter having taken place in the neighborhood of Hatching. The Emperor has received the following dispatch from Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, the commander of the Russian naval forces in the Far East, dated June 21st: "A division of torpedo boats, returned from the coast of Japan, returned to Vladivostok to-day. The torpedo boats approached Port Esashi, south of Okunuma straits, near Hakodate, but a fog prevented their entrance. Several trading and transport schooners were captured. One was brought to the port. The majority of the schooners were con-

veying fish and rice to Saesbo and Shimonoseki."

The immence of a battle in the northern part of the Liao Tung peninsula is expected by the officials and is indicated sufficiently in to-day's dispatches from the Associated Press correspondents at Liao Yang, Kaiping and other places on the railroad. The week of skirmishing around Shiyen retarded General Stakeberg's operations, permitting the Japanese to reach Kaiping, the main base of the Japanese advance. Meanwhile large forces are hurrying south from Liao Yang to check both General Oku's advance and Kuroki. It is believed here that General Kouropatkin's object is to prevent a junction of the Japanese armies.

On the other hand, the aim of the Japanese apparently is to drive the Russians out of the Liao Tung peninsula, preparatory to a march on Liao Yang.

The approach of the rainy season will more than likely precipitate matters. Nothing is known of the reported occupation of Yao by the Japanese. If the report should be correct, it agrees somewhat with the Japanese plan of advance as it is understood, but it indicates that Japanese outposts are further forward than Russian advances indicate.

EXPECT NEWS OF GREAT BATTLE SOON.

St. Petersburg, June 23.—11.10 p. m.—The expectation of a great battle has been intensified by Gen. Kouropatkin's speech to Gen. Stakeberg's troops on Monday at Kaichau. The commander-in-chief said he would see the troops again soon, that they must settle the Japanese promptly, and that they must not go home until this had been done. The general is understood to have meant that he would return from Liao Yang with a large force and give battle to-day, and that they must not leave a comparatively small garrison at Liao Yang in view of the absence of any direct advance from Feng Huang Cheng and the concentration of the Japanese force south.

In the opinion of many conservative military men, Kouropatkin's massing of an army at Kaichau does not necessarily mean that he is giving battle merely to check the Japanese advance and defer the occupation of Newchwang, the possession of which would be of great advantage to the Japanese during the rainy season, affording the enemy housing accommodation, land supplies and harass the Russian lines.

The occupation of Sung Yochan, 25 miles southeast of Kaichau, by a Japanese detachment indicates that the connection between the enemy's armies is practically assured. Sung Yochan is half way between Gen. Oku's and Gen. Kuroki's position at Senchen and Shiyen respectively.

In the opinion of the general staff, the Shiyen army, another force recently landed at Ching Tai Tsao, 15 miles west of Kaichau, and the Russian forces at Shiyen and Ching Tai Tsao pass Shiyen Yochan, whence they proceed respectively to Senchen and Kaichau.

The information of the war office accounts for the position of two Japanese divisions. The whereabouts of the others is unknown. These are the sixth and the seventh, which probably were the last to arrive, as they come from Hakodate. One or both may have just landed, furnishing a link between the armies of Kuroki and Oku.

According to late reports Oku's main army is still several miles south of Senchen.

MARQUIS OYAMA IN SUPREME COMMAND.

Tokio, June 23.—11 a. m.—The Marquis Oyama, formerly marshal and chief of the general staff, has been appointed to the supreme command of the Imperial armies in the field. His chief of staff will be Lieut.-Gen. Kodama, late chief of general staff. Their positions vacated on the general staff in this city will be filled by Field Marshal Yamagata and Major-Gen. Negoka.

COMMANDER ON HIS WAY TO THE FRONT.

New York, June 23.—Field Marshal Marquis Oyama left Shimonoseki yesterday, and will reach Kaichau in a few days, cables the Tokio correspondent of the World. Until his arrival at the scene of fighting, General Kuroki, Oku and Nodzu will make serious forward movement. In view of Gen. Kouropatkin's concentration at Liao Yang, Gen. Kuroki has been ordered to modify his original plan, and instead of marching northward, to reinforce the army of Nodzu and Oku.

REPORT OF ATTACK NOT CONFIRMED.

Chefoo, June 23.—2.30 p. m.—It is reported here that the Japanese made a determined attack upon Port Arthur from land and sea yesterday, June 22nd, and also during the night.

Two steamers, just arrived, passed Port Arthur at 1 o'clock this morning some distance off shore. The captains, both reliable men, say they did not hear any firing at that hour.

RUSSIAN FORCE DEFEATED BY JAPS.

General Kuroki's headquarters in the field, via Fusan, Korea, June 23.—(Afternoon).—Russians from Sachinuk attacked the Japanese outposts in force yesterday, apparently for the purpose of testing their strength. The Russian force consisted of two regiments of cavalry, one of infantry and one battery of artillery. The enemy were defeated, and retreated toward Shintaling. They are supposed to have sustained considerable loss.

On the Japanese side Major Kubota was killed, and nine men were wounded. A party of foreign military attaches, which was on a visit to the outposts, probably witnessed the fighting.

RUSSIANS STILL IN FRONT OF KUROKI.

General Kuroki's headquarters in the field, via Fusan, Korea, June 23.—(Delayed in transmission).—The Russians are still occupying the towns on the main road in front of Gen. Kuroki's army

with considerable force of men, but during the past few days there has been no encounter of importance.

Major-General Mitchenko is commander of the Russian forces in the vicinity of Shiyen. Small parties of Cossacks hover about the Japanese lines of communication, but the damage they have inflicted amounts to little. Now the heavy rains have ceased and the country dried up quickly.

PORTS BUILT ARMED WITH SHIPS GUNS.

New York, June 23.—Accounts received from Chinese sources indicate that success has hitherto not attended the Russians' strenuous efforts to clear the entrance of Port Arthur, says a Tokio cable to the Times. The Novik's recent passage out was accomplished with the help of tugs. The destroyers alone are able to leave the harbor and are occupied in removing mines.

The new forts, armed with guns from the ships, have been erected in order to strengthen the land defenses.

There is nothing to indicate an intention on the part of the Russians to make a sortie with the squadron. Apparently Gen. Stossel is staking everything on his capacity to resist a Japanese assault, and if he falls he will blow up the remains of the squadron.

Meanwhile, owing to the system pursued in Tokio, of withholding intelligence of all preliminary movements until the attainment of the immediate objective, there is no news of the Japanese operations.

The naval authorities have issued an explanation of the failure to avert the disaster to the Hitachi Maru, says a Tokio cable to the Times. The press comments are accordingly moderate. The Ansei Maru and the Yawata Maru, sunk by the Russians, were little schooners laden with fish manure. This Russian method of warfare provokes universal ridicule in Japan.

CORRESPONDENTS AND MEMBERS AT CHEMULPO.

Seoul, June 23.—6 p. m.—The Japanese government steamer Manchou, with its members of parliament, foreign correspondents and officials on board, arrived at Chemulpo last night. The visitors landed to-day, and were greeted by Acting Minister Hagihwara. They will be received at luncheon to-morrow by the Emperor.

AMERICANS EXPECT CUP RACES NEXT YEAR.

The Clyde and Ulster Clubs Will Probably Send Challenges—The Former Likely to Be Accepted.

New York, June 23.—Gossip among yachtsmen here is to the effect that two challenges may be expected in the near future from England, and that there will be a race for the America cup next year, if the New York club will accept. Two British yachtsmen are ready to build boats, and they are now at work on them.

One challenge is expected through the Royal Clyde Yacht Club and another through the Royal Ulster Club.

These clubs, Liverpool, representing the latter, already has had so many chances at lifting the famous trophy that it is likely the Clyde challenge will be accepted. The Royal Ulster Club, representing the latter, already has had so many chances at lifting the famous trophy that it is likely the Clyde challenge will be accepted.

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WINNIPEG NOTES.

Farwell Dinner to F. C. Wade—Prof. Mavor Investigator in the Territories.

Winnipeg, June 23.—Mr. F. C. Wade and his family leave by tonight's train for Vancouver, where they will reside. Last evening Mr. Wade was given a farewell dinner at the Manitoba Club, some thirty friends of his standing assembled around the table to do him honor. Mr. J. D. Cameron presided. In reply to the toast of his health, which was enthusiastically received, Wade made a feeling and happy response, recalling some of the incidents of his twenty-one years' residence in Winnipeg. Brief speeches expressing their regret at Mr. Wade's departure were made by Mr. Isaac Campbell, Mr. F. W. Peters, Dr. Good, Mr. Justice Perdue, Mr. Alex. Haggart, Mr. F. H. Philpen and others.

Has Apologized.—Mr. Doran, proprietor of the Winnipeg News, arrested for libel, has apologized to Chief of Police McRae.

In Calgary Prof. Mavor, of Toronto University, is in pursuance of an investigation into industrial, agricultural and immigration conditions in the Territories for the London board of trade. He has been through Barr and Donkhorst settlements. He found the Donkhorsts and Galletons most prosperous. Their previous experience had fitted them for farm work. He thought that different climates and sections needed different races. Professor Mavor leaves on a visit to the Mormon district to investigate the subject of best culture.

Have You Corns?

WHY NOT CURE THEM WITH PUTNAM'S CORN EXTRACTOR? HERE IS PROOF OF ITS MERIT.

Mr. James Cairns, of Chesley, Ont., dealer in sewing machines and hardware, writes: "I can with pleasure recommend Putnam's Corn Extractor. It cured many painful corns on my toes and removed them without pain in a short time." Putnam's is the best remedy for corns I ever used. At all druggists, 25 cents per bottle; try it yourself.

TAKEN ON A STRETCHER ON A STRETCHER

CAPTAIN OF SLOCOM READY TO TESTIFY

Owing to His Condition He Was Not Called Up to Give Evidence

New York, June 20.—The death list of those who perished on the steamer General Slocum is growing at an alarming rate. Bodies came to the surface to-day off the shore of North Brother Island singly and in groups of twos and threes until at dusk 63 additional bodies had been recovered. This brings the total number of bodies recovered up to 725, and yet there is something like 300 persons unaccounted for.

The coroner's inquiry into the disaster has begun to-day at the residence of Barnaby of the Knickerbocker Steamboat Company, owners of the General Slocum, was the first witness. An inspection of the Slocum was made by the coroner's jury this year. It was reported that the Slocum was in thoroughly good order and working condition.

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who came to help him were driven out of the locker, but they got the hose in position, and had just directed a stream on the fire when the hose burst. No attempt was made to replace the ruined hose, he said, as the passengers were in a panic, and made it almost impossible for the men to do anything. They could not reach the other staterooms, back near the stern of the boat. When the crew found it impossible to control the fire they turned their attention to the passengers.

Only said he took down many life-preservers and distributed them among the women and children. So far as he could see, all the preservers were as from various points along Long Island, and from cities and towns in this state and Pennsylvania have come reports of persons believed to have gone on the ill-fated boat and are missing. Such instances will be investigated. It is estimated that a week or more will be required to complete the canvass, and get the final list of dead, missing and saved.

Last night's searching for bodies of victims was more barren of results and even less successful than has been the case during any night since the burning of the steamer. The alertness and vigilance of the searchers was unrelaxed, but only one body was taken from the river during the night.

Assistant District Attorney Garvin, who has been the examining attorney at the coroner's inquest into the disaster, said to-day that he believed the inquest would be completed before to-morrow night. His work was nearly done, he said, and he believed that when the Van Schaick and the chief pilot of the excursion boat had given their evidence, sufficient facts would be on hand to enable the jury to fix the responsibility for the disaster and to render their formal verdict.

In opposition to that statement, however, there was a report that Consul Berry had issued subpoenas calling for the attendance of witnesses next Wednesday.

When the inquest was resumed to-day Martin Craig, of Brooklyn, a deck hand on the Slocum, said he saw the hurricane deck when he was on the one-way trip to the fire. He saw the deck down some life-preservers, and jumped overboard. He said he did not see the captain until he reached the shore. He knew no attempt to lower a life-boat, nor did he hear any fire alarm.

Policeman James Collins said he and another policeman picked up 16 dead bodies. He saw many life-preservers floating, and a lot of cork floating, but none of the persons picked up wore life-preservers.

A. C. Ferrell, the policeman who was with Collins, took the stand to corroborate Collins's story.

Capt. Van Schaick was brought in. He was carried to a stretcher by four hospital orderlies, accompanied by a doctor and escorted by two policemen. Although the physician who accompanied Capt. Van Schaick said that he was unable to testify to-day, and the captain expressed willingness to undergo examination, it was decided not to call him, and he was taken back to the hospital.

TWO MINISTERS WERE ATTACKED BY SOLDIERS

French and German Representatives at Port au Prince Stopped While Driving Past Palace.

Paris, June 23.—The foreign office has received a dispatch from M. Depresse, the French minister at Port au Prince, Haiti, saying that while he and the German minister were driving past the palace yesterday they were attacked and stoned by soldiers forming the palace guard. M. Depresse was struck on the head by a stone, and was slightly injured. The ministers' wives, who were in another carriage following, were also pelted. The wife of the French minister is an American. As Foreign Minister Delcasse has only just received the dispatch he has not yet determined what steps shall be taken, but the officials consider it certain that France will make energetic demand for redress. One French warship is near the scene and another is at the French naval headquarters in the West Indies. It is expected that Germany will make a similar demand for redress.

Will Demand Redress.

Port au Prince, Haiti, June 23.—The attack on the French minister here, who was struck by a stone yesterday thrown by one of the guards on duty at the palace, was the outcome of the feeling among the population and the government against foreigners. The natives desiring to hold them responsible for the wretched financial situation of Haiti. The proceedings against the French and German officials of the National Bank, charged with participating in the issue of \$200,000 in fraudulent securities early in 1903, have not been ended. Some of the officials are still in prison, and others have sought safety in flight. Persons prominently connected with the National Bank have been protesting against the long detention in prison of the officials who are under charges. The statement that France will demand redress for the attack on her minister is confirmed here.

DUNDONALD CASE AGAIN.

Ministers Will Reply to the Attack by R. L. Borden.

Ottawa, June 23.—R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, in the House today brought up the Dundonald case on the motion to go into supply. He made a long, dull speech, reiterating all the documents in the case which have already been published. He asked the officials who were to have a non-partisan militia or not, and proceeded to endeavor to show that Hon. S. Fisher had introduced politics into the Dundonald case. The salary of different officers was raised. The fact that two officers having substantive rank of lieutenant-colonel were given rank in no way changed their pay. Then there is the Gregory case? Lieut.-Col. Gregory had served his five years, and under the regulations was entitled to one, two or three years' extension, if it was in the interests of the regiment to make this extension. The second in command, Major Ferguson, son of the late Senator Ferguson, was a poor health, and unable to succeed Col. Gregory. A year's extension was given Col. Gregory. Meantime Major Ferguson did not improve, and Major Glasgow was recommended by Col. O'Rourke, the inspector of cavalry as having properly qualified to command. "As to suppressing reports that is an interference, which I have discussed in parliament last year."

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"What about the colonels and ordinance corps?" was asked. "I see the statement says that I was anxious to secure highly paid positions for my friends. Lord Dundonald knew that this was not the case. The ordinance corps is scattered from Halifax to Victoria. There are fewer colonels now in charge of stores than formerly. The corps is not likely ever to meet together. The salary of different officers was raised. The fact that two officers having substantive rank of lieutenant-colonel were given rank in no way changed their pay."

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COMMITTED SUICIDE. Elderly Man Shot Himself in the Head at Tacoma.

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FOR PROTECTION OF CANADIAN INTERESTS

H. J. Logan's Resolution Carried—Auditor-General McDougall Applies for Superannuation.

Ottawa, June 21.—The resolutions by H. J. Logan, confining preferential tariff to goods imported by Canadian seaports, was carried in the House yesterday. Asks Superannuation. J. L. McDougall, auditor-general of the Dominion, has applied for superannuation. He forwarded his application asking for superannuation to the minister of finance to-day. This was forwarded in his annual report. Passed Committee. The bill of the Dominion Fire Insurance Company, with headquarters at Vancouver, passed the banking and commerce committee to-day. Those asking incorporation are Frank Burnett, J. E. Sanderson, Holland and Geo. Y. Fraser. The capital stock is increased from \$200,000 to \$500,000. The head office is at Vancouver.

FAIRVIEW FIRE.

Twelve Horses Burned—Barns, Stables and Office Destroyed.

Greenwood, June 21.—The town of Fairview, B. C., Osprey mining division, was the scene of a most disastrous fire on June 19th, when Messrs. McDougall & Co.'s premises, barn, stables and out offices, were destroyed. The fire occurred at night when the whole of the town, as well as many visitors, were assembled there celebrating the opening of the Golden Gate hotel, as the guests of the proprietor, Harry Jones, and his wife, at a social gathering. Everything was going gaily, and everybody enjoying themselves, when, just upon the stroke of midnight as the guests were about going to supper, the cry of fire was heard. Twelve horses were burned. Most of the horses were saved, but the last dozen could not be got out in time to save them.

COMMISSIONER RESIGNS.

Sir C. Elliott Opposed to Proposed Jewish Settlement in East African Protectorate.

Mombasa, June 21.—Sir Charles Elliott, chief for the East African protectorate, has resigned the commissionership because he is opposed to the proposed Jewish settlement in the East African protectorate. Sir Charles has cabled to Premier Balfour demanding a public inquiry of the circumstances of his resignation, adding: "Lord Lansdowne ordered me to refuse grants of land to private individuals, while giving enormous tracts to East Africa to a graduate. I have refused to execute these instructions, which I consider unjust and impolitic." The East African syndicate represents the Jewish Colonial Trust.

SALT SPRING ISLAND NOTES.

W. Harris was kicked in the jaw the other day by his mare while putting the animal and her colt into the stable. He is progressing satisfactorily under Dr. Beeche's care. A city pigeon shoot was held at H. W. Ballo's home on Friday, the 17th. G. Ballo's shooting was first-class, while that of G. Borradaile and W. Scott was also excellent. Dr. E. C. Foote, who was appointed resident physician on Salt Spring Island in the absence of Dr. Baker, has removed from Vancouver Bay to Ganges Harbor, so as to be more convenient to his patients. Quite a large number of people are taking advantage of the cheap trip by the steamer Troquois among the beautiful Gulf Islands. All who have made the trip thoroughly enjoyed it.

Oils, Plasters and Operations Fail to Cure Cancer

There is a peculiar condition of the blood which favors the growth of cancer germs in the system, and that is the reason that local treatment like the above fails to make permanent cures. Those who suffer from Cancer or Tumors will glad to learn of a Compound remedy that is pleasant to use, and can be taken in the privacy of one's own home without even the members of your own family knowing it. Mention this paper and send 6 cents in stamps to V. Stott & J. Bowmanville, Ont. for a useful booklet, "Cancer, Its Cause and Cure."

THE REPUBLICANS NAME CANDIDATES

ROOSEVELT UNANIMOUS CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

Senator Fairbanks in the Vice-Præsidential Nominee—Harmony Prevailed at Convention.

Chicago, June 22.—The tariff plan agreed upon by the sub-committee of the Republican National resolutions committee declares for the "cardinal principles of protection," and further that the "rate of duty should be different for the rate of cost of production in the United States and abroad."

"The rates of duty should be readjusted only when conditions have so changed that the public interests demand it. All such changes should be made by the Republican party."

A long paragraph was adopted in relation to reciprocity, after a very exciting and protracted contest, by a bare majority. Several votes were taken on this subject, and it was considered two or three times before being finally agreed to. It is a declaration for "commercial reciprocity, which is possible only under a protective tariff, and whenever a reciprocity arrangement can be perfected without injury to any industry."

The opposition to the reciprocity plank was led by Mr. Blythe, of Iowa, Representative Daisell and Senator Hansborough, while Senator Lodge and Senator Foraker representing an effort to secure the declaration. It was urged that reciprocity had been endorsed by previous platforms, and more particularly in the last speech of President McKinley at Buffalo, and had been followed by the present administration in carrying out the policy of the McKinley administration. More time was spent on the subject than all the remainder of the platform, and the opponents only consented to agree when it appeared that the fight might be taken into the committee on resolution. The platform was adopted unanimously, and it is expected its action will be ratified by the committee to-day.

A plank was adopted urging the acceptance by all countries of passports issued to Jewish citizens of the United States. A plank was adopted calling upon congress to investigate whether the right of the franchise is being violated, and also that of the United States to be limited in their congressional and electoral college representation. The Vice-Presidency. Chicago, June 22.—Senator Fairbanks will be nominated for vice-president unanimously by the Republican National convention. The Illinois delegates may withdraw. Senator Dillier will present the name of Senator Fairbanks to the convention. With the platform completed and the signing of the platform, every element of speculation seems removed from the remaining sessions of the convention.

Senator Fairbanks received an ovation as he received the seat in the Indiana delegation. Senator Dewey, of New York, said to the Associated Press: "I have plenty of support from other states. The delegates are all here in full force. We must finish to-day."

The convention was called to order at 12:22 p.m. Chairman Root then introduced Rev. Thomas E. Conley, of Holy Catholic, of Chicago, who delivered an invocation, after which the reports of the committee on credentials and the committee on permanent organization were adopted.

The Platform. Chicago, June 22.—The platform adopted by the Republican National convention declares the adherence to the following principles: "Protection, which guards and develops our industries, is a cardinal principle of the Republican party. A measure of protection should always at least equal the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad. We insist upon the maintenance of the principle of protection, and therefore the rate of duty should be readjusted only when conditions have so changed that the public interest demands their alteration, but this work cannot safely be committed to other hands than those of the Republican party. To entrust it to the Democratic party is to invite disaster. Whether, as in 1892, the Democratic party declared the protective tariff revision, its real object is always the destruction of the protective system. However precious the purpose is over the same. A Democratic tariff has always been followed by business adversity, a Republican tariff by business prosperity. "We have extended widely our foreign markets, and we believe in the adoption of all practicable methods for their further extension, including commercial reciprocity wherever reciprocal arrangements can be effected, consistent with the principles of protection and without injury to American agriculture, American labor or American industry. "We believe it to be the duty of the Republican party to uphold the gold standard, and the integrity and value of our national currency."

Chicago, June 23.—The Republican National convention met at 10 o'clock this morning with the expectation of nominating candidates, and adjourning in time for afternoon trains. The fair June morning was not spent in idling on the lake front, but in packing of bags and preparation for departure as soon as the prime point of interest had been reached. Some of the state headquarters were dismantled, portraits boxed and decorations stripped from the walls. The rooms, lately so animated, where many a good story had been told and jolly company gathered, looked dreary in their disorder and emptiness. The sudden fall in quotations for buttons, badges and souvenirs suggested to visitors on the way to the Coliseum that the convention was near its close. The nomination of candidates in the National convention is the feature that appeals most strongly to the public, and the delegates at this morning gave ample evidence of that fact. Half an hour before the time set for the opening of the convention there were many visitors in the galleries, and witnesses the entire opening session of Tuesday. Not only since the opening of the convention have all the visitors' seats been filled, but the manner in which the crowd poured through the entrances today gave evidence that by the time the fare fell every seat would be occupied and the standing room jammed to the limit. The delegates' attire was not so prompt as the spectators in their arrival, and the orchestra rendered about one-half of its day's programme while waiting for the convention to open. A few moments before the assembling there was a hurried conference by the managers, which resulted in an agreement that Alton, the first state to nominate Roosevelt, it was also agreed that Alabama, which was the first state to instruct for Fairbanks, would nominate the latter, and the name in nomination for the vice-presidency. At 10:30 a. m. Chairman Cannon called the convention to order, the galleries being completely filled for the first time, and tiers of people standing in rear aisles. On the conclusion of the opening prayer (Company Cannon presided) an announcement that on the sixth day of July at Jackson, Mich., there would be celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the birth of the President of the United States. Then followed an announcement that the recently-elected National Republican committee would meet in the Coliseum on Monday morning, June 27, at 10 o'clock. The first state on the nomination of the convention. Chairman Cannon at once announced that the next order of business would be a roll call of the states for the nomination of the President of the United States. The clerk called "Alabama," and immediately Oscar B. Huntly, of that state, mounted the chair and announced that he completely filled for the honor and privilege of yielding its place on the roll to the state of New York. Like the convention was in an uproar. The New York delegation, led by the one man, waving their flags and shouting. Ex-Governor Black of New York, immediately on the platform and nominated President Roosevelt, and at the conclusion of his nominating speech the greatest demonstration yet seen in the convention hall broke out. The cheering continued for twenty minutes. When the cheering ceased Chairman Cannon called the convention to order to allow Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, to second the nomination. Geo. A. Knight, of California; Harry Stillwell Edwards, of Georgia; Ex-Governor Bradley, of Kentucky; Jos. B. Cotton, of Minnesota; and Hon. W. Cunningham, of Maryland, followed Senator Beveridge with speeches, seconding Roosevelt, after which the roll of states was taken for the nomination. President Roosevelt was unanimously elected. Later—Senator Fairbanks was nominated for vice-president.

LADYSMITH NOTES.

On Tuesday evening a number of W. G. Fraser's gentlemen friends took possession of the ladies' smoking room and enjoyed a delightful surprise party. Mrs. Fraser is at present on a visit to Vancouver. Mr. Baker and F. McE. Young, barristers from Nanaimo, were in attendance at the County-court on Wednesday. Preparations are being made by the citizens of Victoria for the last court levee of the season at Buckingham Palace last night. Royalty and the diplomatic corps were well represented.

SHOT HIMSELF ON STREET.

Tailor Put a Bullet in His Brain While Being Pursued by Two Policemen.

San Francisco, June 21.—James Black, an Oakland tailor, committed suicide today in a sensational manner on Sutter street, near the corner of Powell. He shot himself through the head while being pursued by two policemen, and fell dead on the sidewalk. The cause of the tragedy was his infatuation for Miss E. M. Hunt, residing at 1212 Sutter street, which he was endeavoring to seduce. He was formerly employed in a tailoring establishment. Black was a married man, but persisted in his attentions to Miss Hunt, and he went to her home and created such a disturbance that a policeman was called to eject him. To-day he met her on Sutter street, and threatened to kill himself. She seized his pistol and threw it into the street. He picked it up and began to run, flourishing his weapon. Policeman Hook and Carr saw him and the former fired a shot in the air to stop the apparently insane man. This seemed to startle Black, who suddenly stopped and fired a bullet into his brain. He was dead when the officers reached the spot where he fell.

THE SKEENA RIVER STRIKE.

Aberdeen, B. C., June 23.—The strike situation on the Skeena river remains unchanged. Over 200 boats, out of 800, are fishing on the river, being manned mostly by Japanese. The camerists stick to the offer of seven cents, and the Indians remain at home. The meeting between the camerists and fishermen failed to lead to any settlement.

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MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

K. J. Loomis Was Missed an Hour Before the Kaiser Wilhelm Reached Plymouth.

London, June 22.—Apparently nothing new can be obtained in regard to the disappearance of Kent J. Loomis, brother of Assistant United States Secretary of State Loomis, who was a passenger on board the North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which left New York on June 14th, and arrived at Plymouth on Monday morning and at Bremen yesterday. Mr. Loomis was seen at midnight on Sunday on board the steamer, but he was missing at 1 o'clock on Monday morning. No one seems to know what has happened in the interval. The representative of the agents of the line who boarded the Kaiser Wilhelm last night, and the appearance of the passenger, a letter which arrived here from Bremen to-day reads as follows: "The North German Lloyd Co. has no information about Mr. Loomis beyond the fact that he was missed an hour before the arrival of the steamer at Plymouth. Whether it was an accident or suicide is not known."

A dispatch from Bremen to-day in pretension has been aroused there concerning the whereabouts of Mr. Loomis, and that on the request of friends the court reserved judgment, but stated that a decision would be rendered within the next few days. Ninety-one cases will abide by the result of the decision of the court in the five test cases.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

Trial of Test Damage Actions Against Crow's Nest Coal Company Has Closed.

Nelson, B. C., June 22.—The trial of the test damage actions against the Crow's Nest Coal Company, which commenced on May 31st, was concluded this afternoon, after lasting 20 consecutive days. The feature of the case was an attempt on the part of the defendants to prove that the test of 125 men were killed on Coal Creek was the result of a coal dust explosion as against the plaintiff's theory of a gas explosion. Experts from Canada, the United States and England testified in the matter. Seven counsels were engaged, and the damages claimed amounted to over \$500,000, exclusive of costs. The court reserved judgment, but stated that a decision would be rendered within the next few days. Ninety-one cases will abide by the result of the decision of the court in the five test cases.

ANOTHER STRIKE.

Men Employed in the Ready-Made Clothing Trade in New York Called Out.

New York, June 22.—The general strike in all branches of the ready-made clothing trade in this city, which was called yesterday by the Garment Workers' Trade Council, went into effect to-day. Opinions were at rather wide variance as to the number of men affected. The men claimed that more than 20,000 will have quit work before night. On the other hand members of the Ready-Made Clothing Manufacturers' Association, against whom the strike is directed, declare that most of their shops were running with both non-union and union men, who had either refused to go out or who had not been affected by the strike order. The strike has been ordered only in association factories where the work is done directly by the manufacturers.

TO VICTORIA FALLS.

Capetown, June 22.—The first through train to Victoria Falls over the Cape-to-Alton railroad left Capetown to-day amid enthusiastic demonstrations. Victoria Falls is on the Zambesi river, and is about one thousand miles north of Capetown. The Cape-to-Alton railroad was planned by the late Cecil Rhodes.

LAST LEVEE OF SEASON.

London, June 23.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra held the last court levee of the season at Buckingham Palace last night. Royalty and the diplomatic corps were well represented.

CAUSED A SURPRISE.

New York, June 23.—Edwin Hawley, of this city, has retired from the executive committee and directorate of the Southern Pacific Railway Company. He has long been a prominent factor in the property, and his retirement from the board, will cause great surprise in railroad circles. Persons in a position to know refuse to make public Mr. Hawley's reasons. Differences of opinion with the directors over the management of the Alton railway is, however, thought to have been the cause.

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THE PROGRAMME AS REVISED BY COMMITTEE

Will Be Held on Last Three Days of the Exhibition—Other Attractions.

Preparations for the fall fair are proceeding apace. Not only is one of the most successful exhibitions from a commercial standpoint assured, but the outside attraction will be made one of the features of the show.

The usual three days' horse racing will mark the closing days of the exhibition. This has already been decided, and the committee in charge has been busy re-arranging and making necessary changes to it as follows:

Thursday, September 29th. Race No. 1—Purse \$200, 2.40 class, trotting and pacing; three in five.

Friday, September 30th. Race No. 2—The Flash purse, \$100; half-mile dash; weight for age.

Saturday, October 1st. Race No. 3—Purse \$200; trotting and pacing; 2.35 class; three in five.

Sunday, October 2nd. Race No. 4—Victoria purse; one-half mile dash (5 lbs. under scale).

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WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 1904. The weather during this week has been to a large extent cool and showery throughout the province. The smallest amount of rain occurred in this immediate vicinity, while at Port Simpson rain fell every day and amounted to 1.82 inches. In Cariboo upon the last day of the week the temperature fell to the freezing point and over an inch of snow fell. The summer type of high barometric pressure which, to insure due warm weather in this province, should be centred over northern British Columbia, has remained obscure on the coast of Vancouver island. The prevailing winds therefore have been chiefly from the south and west, and upon several occasions have been moderately strong. Moderate northwesterly gales have occurred on the Washington coast upon several days. The weather in the Territories and Manitoba has been generally fair, though local thunderstorms occurred upon the 18th and 19th. There has been no hot weather in the Yukon Territory, and the average daily temperature was 46 degrees. Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine recorded was 40 hours and 30 minutes; rainfall, 57 inch; highest temperature, 60.0 on 15th; and lowest, 50.2 on 21st. New Westminster—Amount, 31 inch; highest temperature, 66 on 16th and 17th; lowest, 44 on 15th and 21st. Kamloops—Rain, 72; highest temperature, 82 on 16th; lowest, 50 on 19th, 20th and 21st. Barkerville—Rain, 24 inch; snow, 12 inch; highest temperature, 60 on 18th; lowest, 32 on 21st. Port Simpson—Rain, 1.82 inches; highest temperature, 58 on 17th; lowest, 40 on 18th. Dawson—Highest temperature, 60 on 18th, 19th and 20th; lowest, 32 on 19th.

Local News.

The plans and specifications for the tug boat and snag boat for use on the Fraser river by the department of public works may be seen at the office of Wm. Henderson, department of public works, post office building, city. The election of a school trustee for Esquimalt school district, to take the place of J. Finmore, whose term expires, will take place next Saturday, commencing at 11 a.m. in Lampion street school house. Mr. Finmore stands for reelection. Sir Henri Joly de Loebiniere has been obliged to decline the invitation of the Vancouver celebration committee to attend the Dominion Day celebration in that city. The serious illness of Lady Joly de Loebiniere precludes the Lieutenant Governor accepting the invitation. Herbert Outbrett, secretary of the Tourist Association, left Tuesday night on a trip in the company of his wife, who will travel through Montana, Idaho, Eastern Washington and the Canadian Northwest. Secretary Outbrett will be absent from the city about a month or six weeks. During the paving operations on Yates street different quarters have been assigned to the hacks and express wagons. The hacks will take up their position on Government street, north of Johnson. The expressmen will occupy places on Langley street. These positions will only be temporary. The Painters' Union elected the following officers at their meeting on Tuesday: G. Carven, president; F. Henskie, vice-president; J. Creed, treasurer; R. Ryan, secretary; J. Robson, financial secretary; G. Brown, auditor; W. Gibson, conductor. Delegates appointed to the labor council were Messrs. Ryan, Gilligan and Henskie. Messrs. Chack, McClellan and Gilligan were appointed auditors, and Messrs. Rivers, Otway, Halpeny, Carmichael and Willard a sick committee. The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Society, Royal Jubilee hospital, is fixed to take place on Monday next, June 27th, at 3 p.m., at the city hall. All members of the society are cordially invited to attend. There will be some interesting reports and discussions, and the intelligent sympathy of the public in the continual well-being and the increasing usefulness of the hospital is earnestly sought by all who work in its interests. The annual fee is now due, and may be paid either to the district canvasser, or in cases where it is more convenient, or where the district has no canvasser, to Miss Stewart, care of Messrs. Hibben, who has kindly consented to receive them. As the income of the society depends largely upon these fees for its working fund, this appeal is made to all members, since many are not regularly canvassed, owing to a difficulty in securing enough volunteers for this work. The concert given on Tuesday under the auspices of Knox Presbyterian Church Ladies Aid Society, Spring Hill, was a successful success in every way, a thoroughly appreciative audience filling the church to its doors. Every number was well received, as evidenced by the "Olive Twist" like demand for more, which in nearly every case was generously acceded to by the talented ladies and gentlemen whom J. G. Brown had induced to take part. The Petch Bros. (quartette) and G. H. Larrigan, instrumentalist, took the audience by storm, the latter gentleman having to respond twice to the vociferous appeal for the music of his piece, which not even the chairman's call to order for an attack on strawberries, cream and cake could arrest. All present did justice to the quality and abundance of the toothsome dainties provided by the ladies. The programme rendered was as follows: Chairman's address; song, J. G. Brown; recitation, Miss Macdonald; quartette, Petch Bros.; violin solo, Jesse Longfield; song, A. Petch; piccolo solo, G. H. Larrigan; quartette, Petch Bros.; song, W. D. Kinnaird; solo, A. Petch; song, Miss Howell; "God Save the King." Mrs. Lewis Hall acted as accompanist.

The total clearings at the Victoria clearing house for the week ending June 21st were \$534,753. The annual flower service at the Royal Jubilee hospital will take place on Sunday next at 3 p.m.—A musical programme is being prepared, of which particulars will appear later. The marriage between Miss May Dunsmuir and Lieut. Arthur Bromley, which was indefinitely postponed owing to the illness of the bridegroom, will take place on Friday, the 24th inst., at the same hour. In the city police court Wednesday Thos. Mastill was fined \$5 for being drunk. Quock Sing, a Chinaman with a record as a chicken thief, was given three months' imprisonment for repeating the offence. The hearing of the charge against Delbert Roper, for assault, was remanded. Every preparation is being made for the annual pound party at the Protestant Orphanage, Hillside avenue, on Tuesday afternoon, between 3 and 6 o'clock. A bus will be run from the car track on Douglas street to the home, and it is expected that the event will in every respect be successful. The Centennial Methodist church has arranged to observe next Sunday as Flower Day. This has come to be an annual event in the church, and elaborate preparations have been made for this year's special services in connection with it. On Monday evening, following a strawberry social will be given by the young people on the lawn of W. H. Bone, Topaz avenue. During the last few weeks a large number of hogs suffering from cholera have been destroyed in the Victoria district at the instigation of the acting inspector under the Animal Contagious Diseases Act. The disease has not been prevalent, but confined to a few big herds, one of which had just arrived from the Territories, and the most prompt steps to stamp out the disease, and so far as known there is now no case of hog cholera on the island. Tuesday night a quiet wedding took place at the Church of Our Lord, Reform Episcopal, when Mr. Thos. Geo. Jenkins and Miss Margaret Cummings, both of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. H. J. Wood in the presence of relatives and intimate friends. Miss Mary Owen acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Thos. Hutchison supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins were the recipients of a large array of handsome presents, testifying to their popularity. The position of secretary of the bureau of statistics and immigration, recently vacated by R. E. Gosnell, when that gentleman took over the editorship of the Colonist, is temporarily in charge of R. M. Palmer, commissioner of freight rates. The government has decided to make no permanent appointment to the position at present. Mr. Palmer is well qualified to give any information bearing on the subject of immigration, and it is along this line that a large percentage of the enquiries received have reference. The league room of the Metropolitan Methodist church was crowded on Monday night and enthusiasm ran high over the debate on "Resolved that government ownership of the liquor traffic is preferable to total prohibition." The speakers on both sides made marked arguments, and advanced many excellent arguments. The chair was occupied by the pastor, Rev. G. J. Adams, the judges being B. H. Ryan, M. P. P., Dr. Clarence and H. V. Jones, who, after a lengthy consultation, decided in favor of the negative. J. M. Campbell, Mrs. J. Cole and E. Lewis, respectively were the speakers on the affirmative, while Dr. Lewis Hall, Miss Jones and Wm. Ritchie upheld the negative. A quiet wedding took place at New Westminster on Monday afternoon at the residence of the governor of the province, when Miss Rose Armstrong, sister of Mr. W. G. Armstrong, the governor of the jail, was united in marriage to Mr. James D. Brynner, one of the attendants at the institution and brother of Mr. G. D. Brynner, manager of the Bank of Montreal in New Westminster. Rev. A. Shildrick performed the ceremony, and Mr. G. D. Brynner, Mr. Brynner and Mr. Robert Brynner, of Craubrook, supported the groom. After the ceremony a short reception was held, at the conclusion of which Mr. and Mrs. Brynner left for Victoria, and the bride, where the honeymoon will be spent. A hearty reception was tendered Rev. Geo. K. B. Adams and Mrs. Adams in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Methodist church on Tuesday. A large number were in attendance, and an enjoyable programme was provided. Arthur Lee occupied the chair, and delivered an address of welcome, after which refreshments were served by the ladies of all departments of the church. Solos were contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Hicks. The Sunday school orchestra gave several selections, and a recitation was given by Miss Foxall. In reply to the address, Rev. Mr. Adams expressed himself as highly pleased with Victoria, her surroundings and climate, with the kindness shown by the people here and the hearty welcome extended him. William Alexander Fraser passed away on Tuesday at the family residence, 45 Menzies street. Deceased was a native of Westville, Nova Scotia, and 19 years of age. He was brought up in Victoria, and attended the South Park school for years, afterwards taking a position in the local office of the Northern Pacific railway, and later at the G. P. R. ticket office. For several years he was a valued member of the Boys' Brigade, and is well known throughout the province. Deceased was a member of the Victoria, her surroundings and climate. He leaves a sister, Miss Francis Fraser, and an aunt to mourn his loss. His death was caused by consumption, from which he has been suffering for some time. The funeral is arranged to take place on this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the residence. Religious services will be conducted by Rev. A. Ewing.

Forty-seven natives of Manila are expected on the steamer Shawmut, which form another colony for the St. Louis exposition. The funeral of the late William Bell took place Wednesday morning at the parlors of W. J. Hanna. Rev. J. P. Westman conducted services. City workmen are engaged in paving operations on lower Yates street. The foundation for the blocks is being prepared, and in a short time the cement will be laid. The children of the domestic school of science, of which Miss McKewen is principal, will hold their formal closing exercises on Thursday afternoon from 2.30 to 5 o'clock. Parents and those interested in the work are invited to attend. The cause of church union had a striking exemplification on Sunday morning when the pastor of the Victoria West church having failed to put in an appearance the congregation adjourned in a hall on St. Paul's (Presbyterian) church, where they listened to an able sermon by Rev. D. McIlrae. The Roman Catholic picnic to be given at Saanich on Dominion Day promises to be a most enjoyable event. Special transportation facilities are being provided by means of the Victoria and two specials. The programme includes baseball games, horse races, bicycle races and a full line of sports. The San Francisco Bulletin is conducting a contest to decide the most handsome woman in California. The first prize is \$500, the second and third prizes are also very valuable pieces of jewelry. The Bulletin is publishing half-tones of the society ladies competing, and the last issue to hand contains the fine picture of Miss Maude Goodwin. Rowland Brittain, patent attorney of Vancouver, sends the following report, being an abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending June 7th, 1904: During the week ending June 7th, 1904, there were issued 1884 patents, of which 102 were issued to citizens of the United States, 2 to Austria-Hungary, Canada 12, Chile 1, Denmark 1, Great Britain 19, France 5, Germany 11, Isle of Man 1, Italy 1, Mexico 1, Natal 1, New Zealand 1, Russia 1, Sweden 1, Switzerland 1 and Transvaal, South Africa, 1. On the waterfront in the upper harbor, mounted on old fashioned log boats, are two large and very powerful engines driven by the heavy timber floating around the Nitinat lake, on the West Coast. The boilers for the machines were constructed here in Gray's boiler shop, and the engines were built on the American side. Attached is all the gear necessary for the handling of big sticks of timber. The two plants are probably the largest of the kind ever shipped from Victoria. A meeting of the Victoria Horticultural Society was held Monday evening, when it was decided to cut down the space in exhibit No. 1, class A, florists, from 150 square feet to 100 square feet. It was also decided that exhibitors not being members of the society would be charged 25 cents for each entry, and would have to pay for their admission to the show. Several committees were appointed to take in hand the arrangements for the show, which this year is to be held in one of the large halls near the centre of the city. A band consisting of each evening of the show will be provided. An Eastern exchange publishes the following: "A telegram has been received in Ottawa from British Columbia, saying that the local government have appointed a delegation to proceed to England to meet the Hon. Mr. McKinnon, which they have been treated by the Dominion government. The news has created much excitement in political circles generally. The Hon. Mr. McKinnon is accompanied with in the matter to-day. The item was "news" to him. He had no knowledge of any such action being adopted. As Premier no such action could be taken without his sanction. Tenders are being called by the Dominion government for the construction of two steamers for use on the Fraser river. One is to be a steel tug and the other a snag boat. Plans and specifications for the two vessels may be seen at the Victoria post office. Tenders must all be in by July 14th, and accompanying each must be sent a cheque on some chartered bank, payable to the order of the minister of public works, Ottawa. For the steel tug and its tender, which is also to be built, a cheque for \$5,500 must be forwarded, and with the tender for the snag boat \$3,000. In the course of a lengthy article, appearing in the June number of The Author, entitled "From Far Eastern Canada," Bernard McElroy says: "The newspaper press is far better than could be expected in British Columbia. There is Clive Phillips-Wolley a poet who, in his 'Songs of an Englishman,' has shown that he possesses the divine gift in no small measure, and who has also written a number of clever novels. Mrs. L. A. Lefevre has written a creditable little book of verse, and she appears also on the pages of Lord Dufferin's very interesting volume to the memory of his talented mother. Mrs. Julia W. Henshaw has written several novels besides many magazine articles. R. E. Gosnell, formerly government librarian and late secretary of the bureau of provincial information, is the author of the most important current standard work on the position and resources of the province, as well as many cogent articles. He is also engaged on a life of Sir James Douglas, the first governor of the province, which has been undertaken by Messrs. Isabel A. R. Maclean and of Gordon Smith, are on the list of those British Columbians who are doing honorable service with their pens."

A very enjoyable social was given by Victoria Aerie No. 12, Fraternal Order of Eagles, at Eagle hall Wednesday. An excellent programme was rendered, and all present enjoyed themselves. The Congregational church Sunday school have arranged to hold their annual picnic on July 1st. The committee have arranged for a full programme of sports and pastime for the scholars, and a most enjoyable time is anticipated. As the request of a number of friends John R. Saunders, of the Esquimalt water works, has decided to resign his name to be placed in nomination for school trustee for Esquimalt district. The election will be held on Saturday, the 25th inst., at Lampon street school. Poundkeeper Craig on Tuesday made away with some forty odd canines, which some owners, having attended the auction sale conducted on Monday, but found no buyers, and so had to be destroyed. This morning half a dozen more dogs were added to the collection at the pound. Chief Langley expects that the patrol wagon will be ready for service in about a week. It is now nearly completed at Matie's carriage factory, and promises to be a very satisfactory conveyance. It will be equipped in the most complete manner, and undoubtedly will meet most thoroughly the demands upon it. The Reformed Episcopal Sunday school will hold their annual picnic at Sidney on Saturday. This will be a grand opportunity for tourists to visit the charming little town, with its splendid beach and lots of fresh air. A nice spot could not be found to pass an afternoon. The best of refreshments will be available on the grounds. As a result of the discovery of infected Indian corn being landed here, the steamer Oregon has been ordered to return to Australia, whence it came. It arrived on the steamer Maunka the other day, and infection was discovered by Thos. Cunningham, provincial inspector. The corn had fortunately never left the docks, so that little trouble will be experienced. The steamer Princess Victoria was placed on the Victoria and Sound route a customs officer has been stationed aboard, so that all baggage for this route will be checked before the steamer arrives in the early morning. This has been done in order that passengers may not be disturbed in the morning. The steamer is being performed by S. W. Edwards. The steamship Portland is again causing some uneasiness, according to the Seattle Times, it is feared in that city she has drifted with the ice floes off her course and into the Arctic. The vessel was reported to have returned to the Sound from Nome, reached Seattle yesterday morning with \$268,000 in bullion. The Oregon reports that the gold clip up at Nome during the last week in the neighborhood of "one million dollars. On Tuesday evening a pleasing event took place at the regular meeting of Princess Alexandra lodge, Daughters of England. District Deputy E. Haynes visited the lodge, and in a few well chosen words presented a large and handsome silk flag in recognition of the increase of membership effected by the organization. Bro. Gladding suitably supported the presentation of the flag, and the many evidences of the deep interest in the order displayed by Mr. Haynes. This afternoon a special general meeting of the Victoria board of trade will be held, when a number of matters of importance will come up for consideration. The board has very recently appointed some weeks ago to investigate the charges made by A. J. Morley against the secretary will submit a complete report on the matter. The board will also be in connection with the Canadian Pacific railway hotel will also be brought up for discussion and fire insurance rates will also be dealt with. The chair will be taken at 3 o'clock by His Worship Mayor Bernard, and all members and those interested are requested to attend. A number of members of different local athletic organizations have organized a camp on the Gorge just above Craigflower bridge. It will be known as the "Yip Yip" camp, and will be held at any time, and all will be accorded a hearty welcome. Any outside athletic team is challenged to compete with the campers in any of the sports mentioned. It is likely that before the summer is far advanced similar camps will have been established at different points on the Arm. The First Presbyterian church schoolroom was well filled Wednesday at the annual strawberry festival under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the church. The chair was occupied by J. G. Brown. The following programme was rendered, and very much appreciated: Piano solo, Miss Kane; recitation, Miss Woodward; song, Mrs. Gresson; song, W. D. Kinnaird; selection by ladies' orchestra; song, Miss Howell; quartette, Petch Bros.; piano solo, Miss Henderson; song, J. G. Brown. Where all did well it is hard to particularize, but it is only just to point out that the singing of Mrs. Gresson and Miss Howell was a musical treat. The last named lady is a pupil of Mrs. W. E. Green, and is rapidly becoming known as a soloist of ability. The Bros. Petch also achieved a big success in their quartette, as did Miss Iva Henderson in her piano solo. Mrs. Gresson has played the organ for many years, and is a most noticeable in the accompaniment to Mr. Brown's song. The sweetly inflamed, tender feet are in the "Cranes" building firm of Phillips, a box at Drug Stores, or by mail, postpaid. D. V. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Ont.

FOUR JUNE WEDDINGS TOOK PLACE WEDNESDAY. Mr. Frank Stevenson and Miss N. E. Gray United in Matrimony—Other Happy Events. (From Thursday's Daily.) Four weddings were solemnized in Victoria yesterday. Up to a few days ago the month of June, usually the occasion of many of these happy events, was unmarked by more than the average number of marriages. The record established yesterday, however, demonstrates that June still retains its popularity among those who contemplate entering the state of matrimonial bliss. Since the announcement of the engagement of Mr. F. W. Stevenson and Miss Nellie E. Gray, daughter of Mrs. E. J. Gray, the wedding has been looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation by the many friends of the contracting parties, and the ceremony, which took place yesterday at the residence of the bride's mother, 113 Fignard street, was attended by relatives and a large number of acquaintances. The room in which the young couple were married was prettily decorated with a profusion of flowers, which, combined with the effect of the elaborate costumes of the bride and bridesmaids, made a most pleasing scene. Travelling attire of reseda with hat to match was worn by the bride, who was attended by Miss Mabel Spence. She was given away by her brother, Mr. Bert Gray. Mr. Walter Murphy, of Seattle, acted as groomsmen. Rev. J. P. Westman conducted the ceremony. A wedding supper was afterwards served, when friends and acquaintances took advantage of the opportunity to extend the newly married couple all kinds of congratulations and well wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson left by the steamer Princess Victoria last evening on a honeymoon tour of Sound cities. On their return they will take up their residence on the corner of Fort street and Pemberton road. About 4.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Miss Maude Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, of Esquimalt road, Victoria, West, and Mr. Earl Brown, of late of Warwickshire, England, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the residence of the bride's parents. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. W. D. Barber, rector of St. Saviour's church, before an assemblage of relatives and intimate friends. Misses Greta, Alice and Carrie Brown, acted as bridesmaids, and Misses Maudie of honor, and Master Gerald Berry performed the duties of page. After the ceremony refreshments were served partaken of by the newly married couple and acquaintances present. The latter all extended their congratulations in appropriate terms, which were replied to in a few well chosen words by the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Shuttleworth will make a honeymoon tour of the Sound cities, and will afterwards reside at their residence in Victoria. At the manse last evening Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of John Henry Carmichael and Helen Gordon Thompson, both of Victoria. Miss Jessie D. Fairclough acted as bridesmaid, and D. McG. Carmichael supported the bride. The newly married couple have left on a honeymoon tour, and will afterwards reside at 49 Third street. The wedding of Rev. J. P. Hicks and Miss Elele Margaret Grant Benjafield, stopdaughter of Mr. D. J. Gilm, which took place yesterday at the residence of Mrs. S. S. Howes, was a very quiet affair. Only a number of relatives were in attendance during the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks left by the steamer Princess Victoria for Vancouver last evening. They will be away about three weeks. Yesterday morning two popular young people of Nanaimo, Mr. C. A. Van Houten, of Messrs. E. Finbury & Co., and Miss May Dawson, daughter of the late Mr. Henry Dawson, were united in the bonds of matrimony. Rev. C. E. Cooper, M. A., conducted the ceremony, which took place at the St. Paul's church. The bride was given away by her brother and attended by her sister. During the stay here Mr. Newman foresees a great future for this city. With an abundance of coal, coke and iron to be found on this island, there is no reason, he thinks, why this city should not become the great manufacturing centre of the Pacific Coast. Ships of any size could be built here and he was surprised to find that under the conditions existing some enterprising firm had not embarked in the business already. When he returns to Victoria shipbuilding works will doubtless be started here of a character heretofore not attempted. It will be the intention of the company, with which Mr. Newman will be associated, to construct vessels of any dimensions and to be in a position to handle business in competition with any shipbuilding firm in America. Negotiations with this object in view are in progress and within a year an important announcement will, it is expected, be made. Astonishment was expressed by Mr. Newman that the iron and steel industry has not yet been undertaken on the island. At least some effort, he thinks, should be made to ship the pig iron that is here to be found. There is plenty of demand for this, and the fact that steel rails will shortly be required for the building of another railway across the continent should be an inducement for someone to enter the industry. The material for the rails to be laid west of Winnipeg could well come from Vancouver Island. Mr. Newman has been general manager of the Globe Iron Works, Cleveland, Ohio; district manager of the American Shipbuilding Company of Cleveland (consolidation of all lake building yards), and general manager of the New York Shipbuilding Company of Camden, New Jersey, and has also been associated with the Cranage building firm of Philadelphia. It was he who designed and built the big yard at Camden, where the Manchuria and Mongolia were built.

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Mason's Fruit Jars FOR PRESERVING PINTS, per dozen 75c; QUARTS, per dozen 90c; HALF GALLONS, per dozen \$1.10. We have the Fruit and Sugar to fill them. Reduction in Creamery Butter. Victoria, Cowichan and Delta Butter per lb. 25c.

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Richard L. Newman, a distinguished naval architect and engineer of New York, and a member of the British Institute of Naval Architects and the Society of Naval Engineers, who has been in the city for some days, a guest of C. J. V. Spratt, left for home Wednesday impressed with the possibilities for business here to an extent that in September next he will return to Victoria and probably take up his residence in the British Columbia capital.

It is So Easy TO CURE YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE LEARNED HOW. BELIEVE IN 30 MINUTES. For years the author of Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure has believed that the best of the heart is almost entirely responsible for the health of the nerves, and now it can be proven. Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure will relieve heart disease in 30 minutes and cure it. It feeds the nerves through the heart by giving the heart the necessary power to pump rich blood to the various centres, when stomach disorders and nervousness disappear as by magic. One dose will convince. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills, 40 doses, 10c. 25

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TRUSTEES SOLVE VEXED QUESTIONS AFFECTS PUPILS OF THE PRIMARY GRADE Will Attend School Only Half Time Important Meeting of the Board.

At the meeting of the board of trustees yesterday the question of providing additional accommodation in the primary grades was again considered. It was introduced requiring that the school be sure to occupy all the half time. This was done by the board, all contending that children should just as much if not more receive longer hours as under the present system. The change would also be for the overflow in the primary schools required for a new term. Chairman Jay presided, and were present Trustees Mrs. A. Hall, Mowat, Lewis, Boggs and others. After the meeting had been in order, Superintendent Eaton's minutes, which were adopted, usual budget of communications was considered. Miss Winnifred McGill, of Forks, wrote applying for a position with the local staff. Received and filed with Pines, and was read by P. Dickard for the janitorship Spring Ridge school. This was filed. Leave of absence was granted to Grande MacFarlane and Maclean to attend Normal school cover. A. J. Pines, of the High school, applied for the approval of the board of formation of classes to receive the school curriculum and other to be given at work entirely with had the proposal in hand, and gestions was approved by the Victoria College.

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Resolved, That the provincial department be asked to permit attendance for all children in classes under eight years of age. In introducing this resolution, Hall explained that it would be a beneficial effect. Probably the most important result was the fact it would overcome the present vexed question of accommodation in primary grades. In the second, it would make it unnecessary to the staff of teachers, thereby saving, and thereby it would give results from an educational standpoint, although time was curtailed, it would be smaller and each child, therefore, would receive more attention. Continuing Trustee Hall said, "tem of having some of the junior at school in the morning and the afternoon had been tried in the past, and had proved satisfactory. Under any circumstances he was of opinion that the limit to the age of pupils could be admitted to the school. It had been shown that children entering at that age were just as far advanced as those who started at five. Besides the former were advanced better off from a physical standpoint. It was practically the only condition was necessary, and if proved satisfactory would be the emergency for the ensuing year.

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Chairman Jay presided, and there were present Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Hall, Mowat, Lewis, Boggs and Huggert. After the meeting had been called to order, Superintendent Eaton read a report on the subject of the proposed change in the school system.

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course, once passed by the board, it would have to be approved by the provincial education department.

Others of the board expressed themselves in favor of the proposal, after which the motion was put and carried unanimously.

Referring to the closing of the schools on Friday, Superintendent Eaton announced that the occasion, in most cases, would be marked by the usual closing exercises.

The meeting then adjourned.

Proposal Made to Erect One in This City in Connection With System.

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FEW IMPORTATIONS FROM SOUND POINTS

Local Product More Than Sufficient to Supply the Demand - Condition of Market.

The strawberry season may now be considered well advanced. Wholesale prices for the fruit has reached the lowest possible price, and that the probabilities are that within two weeks the figures will commence to rise.

Wholesale Markets. Potatoes, Island, per 100 lbs. \$22.00

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had done for the province in laying the foundations of the British Columbia museum by presenting his own private collection of specimens as the nucleus of it.

The pallbearers were: R. Hall, M. P. P. Wm. Wilson, R. B. McFickin, J. A. Mara, A. Holmes, A. Maynard, F. Kermod and J. McE. Smith.

PROVINCIAL NEWS. PHOENIX. Burns & Jordan, who are building nine miles of Great Northern to Phoenix at this end, now have a force of about 250 men on their payroll, and are putting more on as fast as they can be had to advantage.

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challenged Spencer's aggression to a game, to take place early next month. It is understood that the latter twelve have agreed to play. The team winning this match will contest a game with the employees of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, who have already organized. It is also understood that the aggregation victorious in the latter contest will be called upon to meet a twelve from the employees of the Westside and the Hinton Electric Company.

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Advertisement for 'Are You Rheumatic?' featuring text about joint and muscle aches, and a testimonial from Mrs. E. Y. Carter.

THE COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION

A LITTLE BREEZE OVER CITY CONTRACT

More Permanent Sidewalks Agreed On - Other Routine Business at Last Monday's Meeting.

A little tilt between Ald. Beckwith and other members of the council, hinging on the ignorance of the former on certain business transacted at a private sitting of the city fathers, which he had not attended, afforded the only lively part to the proceeding of Monday's weekly meeting of the council.

John Haggerty wrote requesting that his bid for supplying gravel be given further consideration. Laid on the table.

City Clerk Dowler reported the receipt of several communications which had been referred to the city engineer.

The city water commissioner recommended that a four-inch water pipe be laid on Houlton street. In this connection it was agreed to lay pipe of the Canadian Pipe Co., Vancouver, if given free as offered.

The License Victualers' Association petitioned for a formal investigation into the question of issuing licenses to Chinese. Received and filed, the writers to be requested to state upon what lines they wish an investigation conducted.

Mrs. H. F. Bullen and others called attention to the lack of a sewer on Kings-street. Referred to the city engineer.

W. Webster and twenty-five others, women on the permanent sidewalks, petitioned requesting that the regulation of fortnightly payment of salaries be unchanged.

His Worship, by way of explanation, said that when work was commenced last year there was a very large number of men out of employment. Payment was then given fortnightly in order to help out their condition.

Ald. Beckwith, Stewart and Kinman were in favor of paying men getting small wages fortnightly. Men working by the month, however, should, they thought, be paid according.

This plan was approved. The Finance Committee recommended payment of accounts totalling \$12,142.22. Adopted.

The streets, bridges and sewers committee reported as follows: Gentlemen—Your streets, bridges and sewers committee having considered the undermentioned subjects, beg to submit the following recommendations for adoption by the council, to-wit:

Recommended that the tender of the B. C. Salvage Company, Ltd., for supplying and delivering 3,000 cubic yards of gravel, more or less, for the sum of \$119 per cubic yard, be accepted, the city to pay warfage, and that the Mayor be authorized to affix the seal to the contract.

Recommended that a gravel walk, surfaced with cinders, be put down on the east side of James Bay causeway, between Humboldt street and Belleville street.

Recommended that the Metrox Company, Ltd., be allowed the sum of 23 cents per gallon for 30 barrels of creosote, if delivered within one week from date, the remaining amount of creosote required to be supplied by the said company at their contract rate, within five weeks from date.

Recommended that the city engineer be authorized to enter into satisfactory arrangements with the telephone company for removing the telephone company's poles on Yates street, at a cost of \$226 to the city.

Recommended that the city engineer be authorized to expend the sum of \$150 in addition to the amount already voted for the purpose of rock surfacing Pandora avenue, between Harrison street and Belmont avenue.

Recommended that certain rock on a street immediately west of Rock Bay avenue be removed. Estimated cost, \$100.

Recommended that the offer of Miss Bisset to donate a triangular area of land at the corner of Humboldt and Vancouver streets, the two sides of which, on 18 feet each way, for the purpose of rounding off the acute angle formed by the street line at that point; so as to afford more room and greater convenience for vehicles passing along said streets, be accepted, and that the thanks of the council be tendered to Miss Bisset therefor.

Ald. Beckwith moved that the report be taken up seriatim. The whole report had been unanimously adopted by the council in committee. Ald. Beckwith had not seen fit to attend that meeting, and he did not see why the whole report should now be gone over.

out at a meeting," a number of fellow aldermen remarked. Ald. Beckwith—"Behind closed doors." Ald. Stewart—"I dislike seeing an alderman who has not seen fit to attend a meeting come here and raise a fuss over something he should have taken a previous interest in. No alderman should cast an imputation on other members of the council under the circumstances. One reason that the council proposed giving the contract to the B. C. Salvage Company was that that company offered to deliver the gravel anywhere on the coast, and another was that the council wished to avoid any possible friction between two contractors. This was a contingency which might cost a great deal more than the council bargained for.

Ald. Beckwith was satisfied with the explanation. It was then pointed out by Ald. Oddy that the meeting of the committee during the week had been fixed for a special night to meet Ald. Beckwith's convenience. Kinman said so far as he was concerned the reporters might attend all meetings of the council.

The amendment being put, was lost, and the report was adopted. On motion of Ald. Vincent Mr. Haggerty will be informed that the contract for hauling gravel has been let. It was decided to lay a permanent sidewalk on Superior street on south side, from Birdge Walk to Katherine street; on King's road from Douglas street to Second street; Parkington street, from Leuchers street; Belcher street from Linden avenue to Moss street, and the council then adjourned.

CHESHAMNEWS. Fatal Accident on Board the German Ship Schurbeck—The Lumber Trade. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) A very serious accident happened to one of the seamen on the German ship Schurbeck, now discharging ballast in the stream, on Saturday morning. While a tub of rock ballast was being hoisted up from the hold and hung suspended over the deck, a large rock fell out of the tub, striking one of the seamen on the head. He was immediately removed to the Chesham hospital, and although everything was done by Drs. Rogers and Perry, the unfortunate man succumbed to the injury on Saturday night.

Messrs. Chapman and Erb have returned from a visit to the mining properties back of Ladysmith. They report everything in a very promising condition. These claims give every indication of proving one of the most important mining properties on the asand.

P. J. Pearson, of Victoria, is paying Chesham a visit. Notwithstanding the depressed condition of the lumber trade, the V. L. & M. Co. are still running their plant 10 hours per day. The demand in the Northwest is taking up a large amount of lumber, and upwards of 100,000 feet per day being shipped by rail. On Saturday the E. & N. handled 15 carloads of lumber out of the company's siding. This a year or two ago, would have been considered a good sized train alone for the local railway.

LADYSMITH NOTES. Committees Appointed at the First Meeting of the City Council. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) The first meeting of the city council was held Saturday afternoon, Mayor Ald. Stewart presiding, and the present, Alderman Hooker being absent owing to an accident in the mines. The following committees were appointed: Finance—Ald. Mathison, Nicholson and Hooker.

Fire Wards—Ald. Nicholson, Blair and Beveridge. Streets and Parks—Ald. Heworth, Beveridge and Kenny. By-Laws—Ald. Nicholson, Kenny and Blair.

Applicants will be invited to tender for the office of city clerk, assessor and collector. Three hulks and a four-masted schooner are in the harbor to load coal.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL. The preliminary hearing of the charge against T. B. Hall, of appropriating for his own use public money, took place Monday afternoon.

H. Dallas Heincken, K. C. appeared for the accused, while Deputy Attorney-General McLean prosecuted. The crown's case was confined to the evidence of W. J. Gospe, inspector. He testified that in his examination of the books he had found that between December 1st, 1903, and May 31st, 1904, there were \$4,900 for the sum of \$119 per cubic yard. The accused reserved his defence, and no witnesses were called in his behalf.

Police Magistrate Hall thereupon committed the accused for trial. THEIR FIRST MEETING. L'Alliance Francaise Had a Successful Gathering Monday Night.

In the Balmoral hotel on Monday the opening meeting of L'Alliance Francaise was held, a large number being in attendance, including many ladies. After routine an amusing comedy, "Le Voyage de Monsieur Perrichon," was read. Only French was spoken, those taking part in the comedy and conversation being Mrs. D. B. Holden, Mrs. Dr. Watt, Mrs. Fawcett, the Misses Eric, Miss Wallaston, Miss Mara, Miss McGregor, the Misses Dupont, Mrs. Prior, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Messrs. Herbert, Leiser, A. E. Redfern, Donoug-Jony, E. Howland, Russell and many others. Meetings of the association will be held every Monday evening. At the next meeting, Mlle. de Karozov will read a paper on the life of the great French authors. Next month a social evening will be spent, when French songs, instrumental music, recitations and refreshments will be provided.

RESULT OF MANIC FIGHT AT COLWOOD

UMPIRES CRITICISE MONDAY'S TACTICS

Umpire-in-Chief, Colonel English, Says Honors Were Even—Both Regiments Wins.

Criticizing the manner in which the commanders of the Fifth and Sixth Regiments conducted the sham fight which took place at Colwood Monday in connection with the annual mobilization, Col. English, umpire-in-chief, while finding fault with a number of minor details, congratulated the officers upon the able way the opposing forces had been handled. It was a difficult matter to give a decision, but in his opinion up to the time "cease fire" was first sounded the Sixth had slightly the best of the conflict. Everything depended upon the flanking movements on the south of Colwood Plains, and the Fifth had at first attempted too much in endeavoring to advance against the number to which they were opposed. From 10 o'clock until final orders were issued to discontinue firing, the local militia were decidedly the victors. Their advance on the right flank of the enemy met the success with which communication was cut off between two companies, were exceedingly creditable manoeuvres, and gave the Fifth Regiment an advantage that could not be disputed.

In Monday's Times, the progress of the battle was followed up till noon, when firing had continued after the umpires had had a conference and ordered the Fifth Regiment left flank back into its original position. They also directed the 13-pound gun of the Sixth Regiment to the rear, commanding that they should not fire until the opposing artillery. When the bugle announced that the fight was to recommence, musketry fire started, but not as heavily as at first. The Fifth Regiment guns were directed towards the enemy's right flank. It was on the result of the fighting at this point that everything depended, and Col. Hall and Whyte devoted all their energy to making their ranks impervious.

The left flank of the Fifth was reinforced as much as possible, and was ordered to advance steadily, keeping well in touch with the support, and under the covering fire of the 13-pound gun. Two forces again came in touch, and a furious fire opened. By skilful tactics the Fifth managed to separate a detachment of the enemy from the main body, and captured by the local militia, and a number of other prisoners taken. What the casualties were cannot be estimated, but there is no doubt that both sides suffered severely.

While these movements were being executed an effective support was tendered by the advancing column of the artillery. As previously mentioned, the Fifth Regiment guns, after those of the enemy had been put out of action, were directed on the opposing right column, and to a considerable extent in checking the advance.

Seeing how the fight was going, Col. English ordered the guns to support the enemy's right, and was about to bring up reserves to still further strengthen the position, when the final "cease fire" was sounded.

In the meantime the Sixth Regiment had suffered other reverses. A company of the enemy's Royal Engineers in the effort to take the Fifth Regiment on the right flank unawares, wandered into prohibited territory. The whole detachment was dispersed and ordered to the rear.

One of the most important successes, however, was the capture of a gun by a detachment of the Fifth under Sergeant John May. The latter, non-combatant, was the right above the Colwood road to check any advance in that direction. Just before 11 o'clock he secured a position overlooking the Sixth Regiment position, which was then entirely deserted. After sending scouts ahead and ascertaining that the enemy was not in sight, Sergeant McDonald, and his gallant corps followed the enemy, which they were unfortunately unable to take with them, and returned to their original position.

Almost at the same time Lieutenant Patton, who had succeeded in coming through the ranks of the enemy undetected, reached the E. & N. railway on the far side of the E. & N. station. He had with him a small force of the Fifth, and immediately proceeded to "blow up" the railway line for a distance of half a mile. While this engaged he was discovered by some of the enemy's scouts, and a section of the Sixth was hastily called to the attack. Lieutenant Patton, however, led his gallant men into cover again in good order, and the detachment succeeded in fighting its way safely back to the Fifth Regiment lines. A report of the success of the sortie was submitted to Col. Hall, who congratulated Lieutenant Patton and his men upon their mention in the dispatches.

When Col. English had ordered firing to be discontinued, the Fifth and Sixth Regiments were assembled on Colwood Plains. The umpire-in-chief made a brief address, the purport of which is already mentioned. Members of the Fifth then marched back to Rodd Hill, and from that point took the steamer Mandé for Camp Macaulay. The Sixth Regiment, after striking camp, caught the E. & N. train for Victoria. After spending a few hours here they returned Monday night to the Terminal City via Nanaimo.

Immediately after dinner, which was served at Camp Macaulay at 6:30 o'clock, tents were struck and other preparations made for departure. The Regiment then "fell in" in column of sections, and marched, headed by the band, to the drill hall, where they were dismissed.

GRADUATES IN MUSIC

Misses McQuade and Fleishman Presented With Diplomas and Gold Medals.

On Saturday afternoon in the reception hall of the convent Miss A. McQuade and Miss P. Fleishman were presented with diplomas and gold medals in graduation from St. Ann's academy. The attendance was large, and a very select programme of music was given by the young graduates, assisted by others. The selection given by Miss McQuade and Miss Fleishman showed the care which had been taken in their training, and the diligence which must have characterized the young ladies themselves in gaining the remarkable proficiency which was displayed. They both contributed original selections, showing the thoroughness of the training received.

The diplomas and gold medals were presented by A. E. McPhillips, who delivered a very appropriate address in connection with the occasion. The programme given by the young ladies, assisted by Mr. Fawcett and pupils of Mrs. Moresby and Miss Stone, was as follows:

- Two pianos..... Brahms
Misses McQuade and Fleishman..... Flower
Misses McQuade and Fleishman..... Sonata, Op. 13..... Beethoven
Misses McQuade and Fleishman..... Sonata, Op. 10..... Beethoven
Misses McQuade and Fleishman..... (Learned without aid of teacher.)
The Message..... Proctor
Senior Elocution Class..... Milford
Vocal Solo—Ave Maria..... Pagnini
Santarelli..... Pagnini
Piano, Miss McQuade..... Grieg
Butterfly..... Grieg
Miss McQuade..... Grieg
(learned without aid of teacher.)
Finale in C Major..... Beethoven
Miss McQuade..... Beethoven
Long Ago..... Miss McQuade
Miss McQuade..... Junior Elocution Class
The Chase..... Rheinsberger
Misses McQuade and Fleishman..... Interpretation of Schumann's Carols
Franks of Vienna..... Miss McQuade
Same on Piano.....
Cavatina..... Miss McQuade
Vocal Solo.....
Interpretation..... Miss McQuade
Impromptu.....
Whispering.....
Same on Piano.....
Vocal Solo—Winter Lullaby..... De Koren
Valse Caprice..... Schubert
Impromptu, Op. 12..... Schubert
Ruthie's Prayer..... Miss McQuade
Whispering.....
Kulwiak..... Wienieski
Piano, Miss McQuade.....
Gigue..... Chaminade
Toceatta..... Chaminade
Original Selection—Reverie.....
Original Selection—Aria.....
Composed by Miss Fleishman
The Belle of the Ball..... Stoddart
Miss Lombard.....
Piano, Miss McQuade.....
Dawson News.
Gambling Will Not Be Allowed—Stamped to a Tributary of the Yukon.
Within a few weeks Dawson will be the only mining camp of any importance in the Northwest where gambling will not be tolerated. The town is closed tightly, and there is not the slightest hope of a card ever being turned here again.

G. Dent, recently appointed United States consul at Dawson, to take the place of Henry D. Saylor, who was transferred to Coburg, Germany, has declined to accept the position. The department has appointed to take the place of Mr. Dent, Leo Bergthols.

Unless assistance is sent to the steamer in time, she may break in two in her old position on the river bank at Washington creek. Advice to this effect were brought to the attention of the local office by a steamer from Fort Yukon.

The old roadhouse and stables at the head of Lake La Barge were entirely destroyed by fire last night. A creek, tributary to the Yukon, at a distance of probably about thirty miles down the river from Dawson, was stamped on by a fire which destroyed a party of Dawson men. The staking is being kept a dark secret, as the stampede have not yet recorded their property, and are taking precautions against other getting in ahead of them.

While in a despondent mood J. MacKenzie, a miner at 57 below on Hooker, took notice that the department had appointed on May 31st, by cutting his throat.

LAST OF SEASON. The Victoria Choral Society Will Give a Concert Next Month.

The Victoria Ladies' Choral Society will give their last concert of the season on Tuesday, July 12th. The works chosen for the performance are Henry Smart's "Mad Rene's Daughter," a cantata given, it will be remembered, last year with great success; Parker's "The Fisher," for soprano solo and chorus; Bargiel's "The Lord is My Shepherd," and other part songs. Herbert Ritchie, who is visiting the city prior to his prolonged sojourn in Europe, will again enlighten all music loving Victorians by his magnificent violin playing, and several of the best known singers of the city will also take part in the concert.

The full programme, together with the names of all the artists, will be published in due course. In the meantime, the programme, likely to continue to enjoy splendid reputation, or in other words, to be left out in the cold."

WARSHIPS AT LADYSMITH. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) Ladysmith, June 20.—H. M. S. Grafon, Shearwater, Flora and Egeria arrived in the harbor this afternoon. The Flora soon put to sea again. The other vessels are lying near the mouth of the harbor.

Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. W. Walkem, whose husband, W. W. Walkem, died on Saturday at Victoria. Mr. Walkem was the eldest son of Dr. W. W. Walkem and a nephew of Judge W. Walkem. He was only 26 years of age, and was married about a year and a half ago to Miss Charman, of Nanaimo. He leaves, besides his widow, an infant daughter. He was highly popular and respected.

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PREPARING FOR N.P.A.A. MEET

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR THE OCCASION

Large Number of Entries From James Bay Club—Gowen Harriers Will Also Compete.

Local athletes are evidencing considerable interest in the N. P. A. A. meet, which takes place at Vancouver on the 2nd of July. For some time past the James Bay Athletic Association, with commendable enterprise, has been encouraging members to train and prepare themselves in every way to compete at this meet. In order to give them a chance to test their ability the management committee of the J. B. A. A. enterprise, which was held about a week ago at the exhibition driving park. So well did the boys acquit themselves on that occasion that it has been decided to make every club belonging to the league has a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a stake planted about 40 chains south of the north-west corner of George L. Boyd's location, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Victoria will be represented at the big meet not only by J. B. A. A. athletes, but also by an aggregation of sprinters headed by H. Gowen, who holds the mile championship of British Columbia. The latter are exceptionally fast sprinters, and will likely participate in most of the shorter runs, as well as competing in some of the jumps and other contests. Both the James Bay and the Gowen Harriers will have teams in the relay race, if the local club succeeds in having such an event included in the programme. As at present a special licence is made for each competition, but an error is being made to have the omission rectified.

The secretary of the association reports that every club belonging to the league has announced the intention to send a team of their best athletes. Canadians may therefore expect to have to compete against some of the fastest athletes of Washington state. A number have also been preparing, and, according to reports, expect to make records in the 100 yard and quarter mile sprints.

- Following is the programme of events for the forthcoming meet as arranged by the Vancouver club:
1. Running 100 yards.
2. Running 220 yards.
3. Running one-quarter mile.
4. Running one-half mile.
5. Running one mile.
6. Running two miles.
7. Running high jump.
8. Running broad jump.
9. Pole vault.
10. Putting 16-lb. shot.
11. Throwing 16-lb. hammer.
12. Throwing 50-lb. weight.
13. Throwing discus.
14. Bicycle Events.
15. Novice, one mile.
16. Half-mile championship.
17. One-mile championship.
18. Two mile handicap.
19. Two mile handicap.

Appended are the conditions and regulations governing competitors: The definition of the N. P. A. A. meet, which will be adhered to. If necessary, any event will be run in heats. The judges' decision in placing the winners shall be final. Any objection to the result of the race must be made immediately after the race and before leaving the track, will not be entertained. The committee reserves the right of refusing any entry and of postponing the meeting, if necessary, also of making any change in the programme. All entries to be made in duplicate on form attached to entry, giving name, full club (if any), colors and address, accompanied by fee of 50 cents for each event entered, which must be in the hands of the secretary not later than Monday, June 27th, 1904.

Referring to the success of the N. P. A. A., the Vancouver News-Advertiser gives a history of the organization and its prospects for future expansion as follows: "It was first organized in British Columbia the original idea being produced in the brain of that excellent sportsman, Mr. H. D. Helmecken, of Victoria, and the foundation of the present body laid by the James Bay Athletic Association, of that city. "So well were the efforts of the latter, and so much vitality did Harry Helmecken's idea possess, that to-day, at two years of age, the N. P. A. A. of the Vancouver News-Advertiser gives a history of the organization and its prospects for future expansion as follows: "It was first organized in British Columbia the original idea being produced in the brain of that excellent sportsman, Mr. H. D. Helmecken, of Victoria, and the foundation of the present body laid by the James Bay Athletic Association, of that city. 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