

PREFERENCE FOR THE WATER SCHEME

SOOKE LAKE PROPOSAL HAS PRIDE OF PLACE

Mayor Morley Will Veto Proposal for Immediate Construction of Jail

(From Monday's Daily.)

The first business to be undertaken by the city council when it meets tomorrow evening will be to consider the plans and specifications prepared by Wynn Meredith, consulting engineer of the Sooke Lake water supply, in order that tenders may be called for and no other business will be dealt with until this has been disposed of.

The mayor will communicate his intention to veto the new jail scheme, which was passed over his head three weeks ago, the council by resolution instructing the building inspector to have plans prepared by J. C. M. Keith. These were ready, and were sealed from the fire on Saturday week at the Hibben block, but have not yet been considered, as there has been no meeting of the city council since that time. It has not been possible to consider them. The council rejected the recommendation from the mayor for temporary repairs to the building now in use, and ordered the scheme to be proceeded with, as approved by the ratepayers, the sum of \$30,000, having been voted for that purpose at the annual election. In order to bring the matter before the council, Alderman Moresby asked the mayor to determine at once if he intended to exercise his veto.

The mayor declined on that occasion, October 31, to state his intention, but as he will do so within three days, and the month is drawing to a close, he will now announce his decision. The advocates of immediate action now go to the courts and apply for an injunction to prevent the mayor from carrying out his proposal, which has received the approval of the ratepayers by-law.

Another matter which has been referred to by the garage owners in the city will be an amendment of the by-law dealing with the storage of explosives, as the owners have been limited to a storage capacity of 250 gallons of gasoline. This they consider absolutely inadequate, and it is now proposed to amend the by-law to enable the garage where more than ten cars are stored to keep two tanks of 250 gallons each at one time, subject to the approval of the fire chief.

The absence of regular meetings for a week has created a quantity of business which may not be reached to-morrow, including the letter of H. P. O'Brien, accountant in the engineering department, who has resigned as a protest against the late changes. The resignation having been declined, he has accordingly sent it to the council.

The Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association has been seen in the press that T. N. Hibben & Son propose to ask permission to construct temporary premises on the burnt block for immediate occupation, owing to the destruction of their building. Hibben & Son sent the council a letter of protest against any such violation of the fire limits by-law.

HELD OFFICERS AT BAY FOR 24 HOURS

Man Who Shot Daughter and Her Husband is Now in Jail

Moab, Utah, Nov. 20.—After holding the officers of Grande county at bay for 24 hours, John F. Brown, who early Friday morning shot his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Dubois, to death and injured wounds upon her husband from which he died later, surrendered to the sheriff at an early hour to-day. The shooting took place on the way home from a dance and is said to have been the result of a trivial quarrel which Dubois sat in a statement before he fled, started over his refusal to ride home with Brown.

Mrs. Dubois was shot when she stepped outside the men to stop their quarrel. Brown was locked up in the county jail. He is a commissioner of Grande county and one of its wealthiest citizens.

Dubois, according to the officers, made a statement before he fled, the contents of which they refuse to disclose.

KILLED BY LOGGING TRAIN. Nanaimo, Nov. 18.—John Greenway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greenway, of Boat Harbor, was fatally injured at Nanaimo on Thursday when engaged as a conductor on a logging train. He was struck by the tender of a locomotive and terribly injured about the abdomen, death resulting before medical aid could be secured.

He would be secured. He was a native of this district. He was well known in this city where for some time he was employed at Walter Akenside's livery stable.

MANY TOWNS ARE ISOLATED

SERIOUS FLOODS IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

Seattle Faces Water Famine Owing to Washing Away of Pipelines

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Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—With Seattle facing a water famine and many of the smaller towns west of the Cascade mountains under water or cut off from communication with the outside world by the loss of bridges and the washing out of roads, the people of western Washington to-day are anxiously watching the turbulent streams for signs of subsidence from the flood, that has raged for more than two days. The railroads that cross the Cascades with their trans-continental lines are virtually tied up, the only outlet being over the coast-lines to Portland and then east along the Columbia river. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern began routing their overland trains this way last night and the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound sent its crack train, the first to leave in two days, over the long detour to-day. The lines of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific between Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., have been made since Saturday, but the Great Northern expects to resume service to the north before night.

Although Seattle is built upon commanding hills, and is in no danger from flooding, it is confronted by a more serious problem—that of a water famine. The raging waters of Cedar river, from which the city obtains its water supply, high in the mountains, washed away a bridge carrying the two big pipe lines that bring the water down to the city. The breaking of the pipes was immediately felt in the most populous residential section which is fed by the intermediate water service. When the break came the reservoirs contained 100,000,000 gallons of water. Ordinarily this would be a five-days supply, but with the present rate of consumption it can be made to last a week.

R. H. Thompson, and Water Superintendent Young, admit the seriousness of the situation.

Situation at Bellingham. Bellingham, Wash., Nov. 20.—Bellingham is still without train service and none is promised before to-morrow night or Wednesday morning. The only pipe of the Great Northern between this city and Blaine, on which a shunter service is maintained, and between Anacortes and Sedro Woolley. The rivers are falling and all danger of a destructive flood is past. The railroads were the only sufferers through the freshet.

A freak of the flood in the Skagit river has done work contemplated by the United States government at a cost of \$1,000,000 and a year's labor of big engineering crews, and it was done in twenty-four hours without a cent of cost. The stream cut through Sterling Bend, above Mount Vernon, Skagit county, and a channel now runs 200 feet wide and 20 feet deep. For seven years the federal government has considered this improvement and many surveys have been made and a couple of times money had been appropriated for the work. This cutoff is through a neck of land 80 rods wide, and shortens the distance from Mount Vernon to Sedro Woolley, three and a half miles, and gives good steamboat channel, where a long and dangerous one existed before.

Fifty Persons Rescued. Everett, Wash., Nov. 20.—Fifty people were relieved to-day from their imperiled homes on Sky Island, opposite Everett, where the waters of the Snohomish river broke the dyke last night. In places on the island water is reported to be from ten to twelve feet deep. Families were driven on to the roofs of their houses, remaining there until rescued. Some houses have been wrecked, including a schoolhouse. One man is reported to be missing and several cat- tle have been lost.

The flood sufferers are being cared for by the city and county authorities. The railroads are still tied up and virtually no attempts are being made to move trains. Considerable track has been washed out in this vicinity. The Cherry Valley branch has been damaged. The floods show no sign of abating.

ASSASSINATED. President of San Domingo Killed in San Domingo City. Washington, D. C., Nov. 20.—Ramon Caseras, president of San Domingo, was assassinated by political malcontents in San Domingo City late yesterday afternoon, according to reports to the state department to-day. No uprising has yet followed.

Assassination conveying the news of the assassination filed last night, were delayed in transmission.

TRYING TO REACH SOUTH POLE. Sydney, Aus., Nov. 20.—The Japanese Antarctic expedition aboard the Kiyanan, which was forced to return home last spring after reaching 74 degrees south, has started on its second attempt to reach the South Pole. The expedition is in command of Lieut. Shirase.

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C. A. Harrison, the route agent, had just secured a quantity of mail under the express room. He called for Messenger Paul Lever, whom he supposed was on duty, but received no reply. He turned on the light and stood at his desk with his back toward the safe and had been completing the opening of mail when suddenly he heard someone behind him say: "Boost 'em up and be quick about it."

He turned and faced a masked man holding a big revolver. Harrison, with the muzzle of the gun in his back was marched to a large trunk filled with packages. "Now back up to that," said the robber, "and put your hands behind you."

Harrison obeyed. With a piece of cord the bandit tied the expressman's hands behind him and then tied him to the trunk.

With a threat to kill him if he moved or made a sound, the robber opened the safe and filled his pockets with money and valuables.

AUTO FATALITY. Savannah, Ga., Nov. 20.—One automobile driver was killed and another seriously injured to-day in a smash-up on the Grand Prize course here.

Joe Dawson, the Marmon driver, was hurt, and McNelly, a Case pilot, was killed.

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ACCOUNTANT ORTON APPEALS ON RECORD

His Letter of Protest to City Fathers to Be Considered Soon

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The city engineers' troubles are not yet over, as the accountant, H. P. Orton, is greatly perturbed by the turn of events, and as already stated in the Times, has sent in his resignation to the city council, and this week has been considered, on Friday if a quorum could have been got together. However, the letter has been obliged to lay over till the next meeting.

Mr. Orton claims that the appointment of W. T. Schuchbury to the chief clerkship is a distinct slight on his services, and maintains that his record deserved the consideration of the council when the position was filled, but as the engineer's resignation is bylaw to decide on the staff, it is doubtful what action the city fathers can take. Alderman Langley at the time washing his hands of the appointment of a man whom he said the council did not know.

Mr. Orton, who now protests, was for nine years in the Cariboo, and five years in the Cassiar mines. He was for two years on location, and construction of that difficult portion of the C. P. R. from Claco Bridge to Boston Bar, under T. H. White, now chief engineer for the Canadian Northern Railway in this province. Mr. Orton was for four years on the big contract from Port Moody to the Summit, and four years in the engineer's department of the city of San Francisco, California, under the supervision of J. D. Schuyler, consulting engineer to the Vancouver Power Company, for the construction of the great dam at Coquitlam Lake. During the last twenty years he has been in the service of the city of Victoria, for nearly sixteen years an accountant.

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The imperialists still have possession of Nanking, the ancient capital. Even the reformers recognize the importance of Nanking, and both they and the imperialists are directing their efforts to this centre for victory may mean either the end of the Manchu dynasty or a serious setback to the revolutionary cause.

The reformers could not conceal the tremendous strain upon their financial resources, in conducting the campaign against Nanking and maintaining their position at Wu Chang. The fall of Nanking possibly will mark the real commencement of the final act of the drama, but even then entire unity may be impossible. The outcome of the attack which the reformers are preparing to make on Nanking is problematical, but if the imperialists elect to remain behind the walls, it probably will become a question of siege and starvation. The other side has an over-abundance of food supplies and is approaching Nanking in large numbers from linking of the north side of the river.

Four thousand rebels with 41 guns are marching to Pu Kow, which lies opposite Nanking. Aw Hu on the south side of the river reports that two thousand men are advancing from that point.

Imperial warships now in the river under command of the rebels, are awaiting the signal for attack. The imperialist garrison at Nanking, under command of General Chang, numbers about 11,000 men, well trained and armed, and strongly entrenched and fortified. It is believed all the Republican forces are within one day's striking distance of the city.

Admiral Sah, who commanded the loyal squadron at Hankow, and whose name has been uncertain for some time, arrived in Shanghai yesterday. He appeared much depressed. It is not believed that Admiral Sah will take any further action until the outcome at Nanking is certain.

Reports received here direct from Nanking say that all foreigners north of Pu Kow are safe. The consuls have recommended that all Americans in the Yangtze valley come immediately to Shanghai.

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David Odell arrived at Post Falls yesterday morning with Stellan, a bartender of a saloon in Spokane. He carried a grip full of liquor, which was taken to the old home. There the older Odell and the other two men drank freely. During the orgie the son handed his father 40 cents and asked him to go to a store and buy some eggs for dinner. The father took the money and the son then became enraged because the older Odell had not refused it and used his own funds. The son abused his father for taking the money and began to tear up the house. Pictures were smashed, furniture broken, the cookware turned over and broken and a heater upset.

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SEES HOPE FOR TARIFF REFORM EARL SELBOURNE ON CANADIAN ELECTIONS

Austen Chamberlain Speaks on Commercial Unity of Empire

London, Nov. 18.—Speaking before the Conservative convention at Leeds, Lord Selborne, a former colonial secretary, said the government was quite right not to interfere in Canadian affairs publicly, but there was another side to the question quite apart from the relations of Canada to the Empire...

Speaking at Louth, Prof. W. A. S. Hewins said that during the years of Mr. Balfour's leadership there has been a risk of the break-up of the Empire owing to the entangling alliances foreign countries were forcing on our dominions...

The Birmingham Post says: "Unquestionably the Canadian nationality question has impressed the imagination of the country, and by offering further striking encouragement to imperial preference has struck a swinging blow at the prestige of the government which so complacently hastened in advance to celebrate the obsequies of tariff reform."

SCOTLAND WANTS CANADIAN CATTLE

A Widespread Movement in Favor of Removal of Embargo London, Nov. 18.—In his first speech in the House of Commons as United Kingdom leader, Bonar Law last night pointed out the widespread movement in Scotland in favor of removing the embargo on the importation of Canadian cattle...

Directly addressing the few Irish members present Mr. Law said: "It always would be my desire to help in every possible way in developing the resources of Ireland. There is nothing I should like more than to make Ireland feel she has an economic interest in maintaining close connection with England."

He went on to express the view that the best administrative results would be obtained by a board of agriculture for Great Britain with a strong local body in Scotland who possess Scottish vice-presidents. But he insisted that the administration of the cattle disease acts was too serious a matter to be divided.

Montreal, Nov. 18.—M. A. Hebert, through his lawyers, has entered a discontinuance of the suit in regard to the case involving his marriage by a Protestant minister. This means that on Monday when the case comes up the judge will either order argument to proceed or give a decision in favor of the defendant.



PANAMA CANAL VERSUS CAPE HORN This diagram shows the route taken by the steamships operated at present by the Harrison line via Cape Horn and the one which they will take when the big ditch is complete. This will save over 6,000 miles.

IMPERIAL TROOPS AND REBELS CLASH FIGHTING IN THE VICINITY OF NANKING

Revolutionary Leaders Have Large Forces Ready to Press Attack

Shanghai, Nov. 18.—It is stated here today that the rebels and the imperial troops clashed between Chin Kiang and Nanking. If revolutionary forecasts are correct this will be the beginning of the big battle.

The rebel strategists have planned their attack carefully. During the last three days a large body of rebel troops with guns, provisions and ammunition and horses have been dispatched from Shanghai for Chin Kiang by rail.

They are advancing on Nanking, 45 miles distant. Simultaneously other bodies of troops are converging on the imperial outposts via the Yangtze river and a small tributary stream from the interior with the object of delivering attacks from three sides.

The equipment of the rebels is excellent and many of the leaders have had foreign military training. Ordered to Seaports.

London, Nov. 18.—The Daily Telegraph's Shanghai correspondent says hostilities have commenced at Nanking. Cable dispatches from Tien Tsin today announce that the American minister has issued peremptory orders to all Americans in the interior to leave their residence at once to the nearest port.

Heavy Casualties. Amoy, Nov. 18.—The foreign consuls have assumed control of the imperial customs and the post office. Several days before Amoy declared for a republic the imperial authorities became inefficient and the consuls refused to recognize the provisional government.

Detachments of revolutionists have been sent to the interior of the province to restore order. Reports from Chang Chow today are that the factions have reached an agreement and fighting has ceased. The casualties are said to have been larger than was at first reported.

CORWIN IN FROM ALASKA. Little Steamer Returns to Seattle Has Shipment of Placer Tin.

Seattle, Nov. 18.—The steamer Corwin arrived from Alaska today with 93 tons of placer tin ore, valued at \$47,000, from the Buck Creek diggings, near Cape York, which is in the Behring Strait. This is the first large shipment of tin ore from Alaska.

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Vancouver, Nov. 18.—W. J. Cavanaugh was acquitted by Judge McInnes of the charge of bigamy, last evening.

The only witness called by the defense yesterday was Dr. Thomas Hall, a brother of Dr. Ernest Hall. He stated that he had attended Mr. Cavanaugh at his house on Georgia street in 1908, when the only trace they were able to find of her was that she had been at a hotel in Seattle on November 5.

Judge McInnes held that Cavanaugh's first marriage was sufficiently proved, and there was also proof that the second Mrs. Cavanaugh had left Canada with the intention of being married to Miss Campbell had been satisfactorily proved, and this was, after all, the vital element in the case.

While not wishing to be offensive, he could not place much weight on the evidence of some of the witnesses for the prosecution, such as the Campbell brothers, as whether they were justified or not, they were evidently biased against the accused. But he did place great reliance on the testimony of Mrs. Boak, a very respectable lady who was a personal friend of Miss Campbell and had been in contact with her at their residence at once to the nearest port.

Dismissed from Ship. Lieut. White, Navigating Officer on "Nobe," Found Guilty of Negligence.

Halifax, Nov. 18.—Lieutenant Charles White, navigating officer on board H. M. C. S. Nobe, was found guilty by court-martial here yesterday of negligence. In spite of a \$1000 bribe paid him by his commander and his previous good record, he was severely reprimanded and discharged from the ship.

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BRITISH RAILWAY MEN MAY STRIKE TROUBLE FEARED BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Miners in Wales and North of England Also Threaten to Quit Work

London, Nov. 18.—The directors of great British railway companies are looking forward with anxiety to the prospect of another great railway strike before Christmas.

Union leaders declared yesterday that the strike would not be the two days affair of August last, which in itself was sufficient to paralyze the whole commerce of the country, a recovery from which was not actually effected until some weeks later.

Both the companies and the men at that time offered loyally to abide by the findings of the commission, although the men now allege they gave this promise only on the understanding that the strike would be terminated only by the government placating the labor leaders by the offer to appoint a royal commission to inquire into their grievances.

Before the commission the leaders specifically stated that it was part of the settlement that both sides should accept the decision of the commission, but now that the commission's report has failed to give recognition, the railway unions have repudiated it on the ground that they were not bound to accept it if it was not wholly satisfactory.

The whole thing was the men's point of view has been a swindle. Coincident with the railwaymen's strike, the miners in Wales and in the north of England are threatening a national strike before Christmas for a minimum wage. If both sides join forces, this winter will be in the throes of an industrial revolution, which will make the strikers of the summer pale into insignificance.

Railway shareholders dread the outlook. Already they have lost millions of dollars in dividends in commercial warfare between labor and capital. A strike will hit almost every section of the community as the railways number their shareholders by millions.

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WILL VICTORIA BE IN THE RUNNING WHEN PANAMA CANAL IS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC?

Is the Question Agitating Shipping Men—Docking Facilities Must Be Provided

Will Victoria be any better prepared for receiving her share of the trade which will come to Puget Sound after the opening of the Panama Canal than she is at present? This is the question which the shipping men of this port are wrestling with. They see the precious moments slipping by and witness with some dismay the inactivity of the local bodies, which are formed to better conditions at this port. Unless something is done quickly to improve the harbor, Victoria cannot expect to bid with the other ports of the Pacific coast, which are spending millions of dollars building breakwaters and magnificent docks.

The transcontinental lines for years have been carrying a great deal of the freight shipped from the United Kingdom through to cities on the Pacific coast. Owing to the length of time taken by steamships in making the run from England via the Straits of Magellan or the Suez Canal to this coast, shippers who needed their goods within a few weeks' time have to resort to the railroads as it takes over two months for freighters to come via the Horn and three months by way of the Suez.

One of the steamships making the run from England here via the Horn was in port on Friday afternoon, the Harrison liner, Director. Nearly 65 days were consumed by the vessel in making the passage, and the cargo brought by consignees in making the trip consisted of whisky, nails, glass and paints, which are not urgently needed by the consignees.

The distance of the run from Southampton to Victoria is 14,400 miles, according to one of the directors aboard the Director. Via the Panama Canal the distance is but 8,375 miles, and the trip will be made direct here at about an average speed of 11 knots an hour in thirty-two days.

As the time of the passage is almost cut in two, the steamships will take from the transcontinental lines a great deal of the trade which they now handle, and with the keen competition which will result among the steamship companies, freight rates will be greatly reduced. Many new concerns intend operating ships to the Pacific coast directly from the Suez and the east coast of Africa, and the heads of these are sizing up the various ports on the Pacific seaboard.

How does Victoria look up in their view? Under the present conditions the shipping men in other parts of the world cannot look upon her as a favorable stopping place. All the latest methods for the quick dispatch of cargoes will be needed and docks well protected from the beat of the sea so that no time will be lost in bringing the vessels up to their berths.

During her run out from Liverpool, the Director after clearing from Swansea called at only one port in South America. She stopped at Santos, Brazil, to load a shipment of coffee, and then sailed for the east coast of South America, and with but one stop it can be seen that the company has to keep its rates up in order to defray the expense of running the vessel that distance.

Capt. Gibson, vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Dock Co., who has returned to Seattle from a trip to Victoria, says that the company is prepared to offer a berth to the Director at a rate of \$100 per day.

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Some of the Causes That Contributed to General Defeat Caution and Indifference

RESULTS. The Dallas Road Sea Wall By-law For 1,000 votes, 566 Against 434 Total ballots cast, 1,084 spoiled ballots, none. Minority over three-fifths of total vote, 76. Library By-law: For 1,000 votes, 511 Against 489 Total ballots cast, 1,077 spoiled ballots, 2. Minority under three-fifths of total vote, 137. Songhees Park By-law: For 1,000 votes, 577 Against 423 Total ballots cast, 1,196 spoiled ballots, 5. Minority under three-fifths of total vote, 143. Park Loan By-law: For 1,000 votes, 541 Against 459 Total ballots cast, 1,082 spoiled ballots, 2. Minority under three-fifths of total vote, 130.

The foregoing figures represent in telling colors the tragic result of the battle of the by-laws which was held Friday in the market building. Only one out of the four measures submitted, the by-law proposing to increase the appropriation of the Public Works sea wall by the sum of \$45,000, was able to secure the support of the necessary three-fifths of the total number of votes cast. All the others were defeated, and beaten so badly that it was impossible to doubt the verdict of the people who adjudicated upon the measures, even to venture the suggestion of a mitigating circumstance either in mitigation or explanation of the result of the particular instance of the Songhees By-law, which, like the Parks By-law, was undergoing rebusubmission.

On the other hand the sea wall proposition received a great majority of votes, an approximate three hundred vote margin against it out of a total of nearly eleven hundred.

And what was the cause of this "curious and cussedness" were the measures of the defeated measures as the two prime motives which culminated in the disaster. While it seemed to answer the question as far as it applied to one or other of the measures, the enthusiasts who had devoted their energies to arousing interest in a particular measure in order to assure its passage could not but have been disappointed.

Liberal. Ottawa, Nov. 17.—The Liberal whip, has the following as follows: Quebec: Beauchamp; New Brunswick: Carleton; Nova Scotia: Kye, Richmond; Ontario: Roy, Provencher; Saskatchewan: Turfitt, East Assiniboia: Douglas, Strachan; Manitoba: minister; Ontario: Hon. W. T. White, Hon. Robt. Rogers.

WILL RENEW WAR ON GOVERNMENT British Suffragettes Not Satisfied With Asquith's Attitude—Proposed Demonstration

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Manchu Nobles Power, Threat for New

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Another dispatch from the Free Press says Chiao, the new vice-board of justice, appointed Ting Chia Chao, a dispatch said he were not friendly.

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LIBERAL WHIPS

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—Fred Pardee, chief Liberal whip, has announced the names of the Liberal whips in Ontario, D. C. Ross, Middlesex; Quebec, Mr. Papineau, Bonaventure; New Brunswick, E. B. Carve, Carleton; Nova Scotia, George Ross, Richmond; Manitoba, Dr. Mol- len, Provencher; Saskatchewan, J. C. Toriff, East Assiniboia; Alberta, J. D. Douglas, Strathcona.

MILLIONS ARE IN NEED OF RELIEF

Crops Have Been Failure in Twenty Russian Provinces

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—Eight mil- lion persons are in need of immediate relief owing to the failure of the crops in 20 Russian provinces, according to a statement by Premier Kokovoff in the Duma.

THREE HUNTERS MISSING

It Is Feared Men Lost Their Lives in the Storm

Madford, Ore., Nov. 17.—W. E. Eross, Harry Luskous and C. E. Walker, all of this city, who left here during Octo- ber on a hunting trip to the head of Elk creek, have not returned, and it is feared that they have perished in the mountains.

INDICTED FOR MURDER

Portland, Ore., Nov. 17.—Burt Hicks, a manufacturer and machine shop owner, was to-day indicted for murder in the first degree in connection with the killing on the night of November 2 of A. W. Wortman, a union picket.

SHIPPING ACTION

London, Nov. 17.—The hearing of cross-actions arising from the collision of the White Star liner Olympic with the British cruiser Hawke, off the north coast of the Isle of Wight, on September 20, was begun in the Ad- miralty court yesterday.

REBELS PREPARE TO ATTACK PEKIN

VOLUNTEERS ON WAY TO JOIN REVOLUTIONISTS

Manchu Nobles, Deprived of Power, Threaten Trouble for New Cabinet

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 17.—In- trigue threatens the Manchus, according to a cable dispatch received today by the Chinese Free Press of this city.

Another dispatch from Shanghai to the Free Press said that Liang Chi Chiao, the new vice-president of the board of justice, spent \$300,000 in an attempt to gain the premiership.

A Hongkong cable to the Chinese daily paper said that the rebel army from Hu Peh had arrived at Chin General Che Li is in command.

Honan has declared independence and the governor, Bo Fan, has fled, according to the dispatch.

West Point, N. Y., Nov. 17.—When the Chinese rebels now gathered outside Canton, the Chinese government

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SELECTING JURY TO TRY M'NAMARA

Two More Jurors Sworn— Five Men Are Now in the Box

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 17.—Two more jurors, making five in all, were sworn in the McNamara murder trial to-day.

OUTBREAK FEARED

Rumors of Revolutionary Movement in Mexico—United States Troops to Remain on Border

Washington, D. C., Nov. 17.—Danger of another well-organized and formidable revolutionary movement in Mexico has caused the suspension of the return to their home stations of the American troops sent in the border country during the Madero revolution.

SIX KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Bodies of Four Victims Cremated When Fire Destroys Work Cars

Butte, Mont., Nov. 17.—An empty passenger train returning to Livingston, struck a Northern Pacific work train at Soy's Rock, three miles west of Pipestone, killing six men who were riding in the caboose of a freight train.

UNREST IN VENEZUELA

Troops Ready to Take Castro Should He Attempt to Invade Republic

Washington, Nov. 17.—Authoritative advices from Caracas state that serious unrest prevails in Venezuela.

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QUAKES SHAKE CENTRAL EUROPE

WIDESPREAD DAMAGE TO PROPERTY REPORTED

Railway Traffic Interrupted— Many People Spend Night in Streets

Berlin, Nov. 17.—Sharp earth shocks occurred last night at Munich, Strass- burg, Frankfurt, Stuttgart and May- ence. The shocks were felt quite se- verely at Stuttgart and Frankfurt.

The earthquake was felt in a wide area of central Europe. The Castle of Hohenzollern, on the Steep Zollerberg, near Hechingen, was disfigured and great cracks appeared in the towers.

At Constantino, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, many build- ings, including the post office, were seriously damaged.

Earth shocks are unusual in the dis- tricts affected, and the alarm general- ly was greater than would have been the case in countries where seismic disturbances are a more common occurrence.

Several buildings, including St. Stephen's church, were damaged at Muehausen, and a large stone was shaken from the church steeple.

Berne, Switzerland, Nov. 17.—A violent earth shock was felt throughout Switzerland at 10:27 o'clock last night.

So far as known, there were no cas- ualties. In Geneva street cars were derailed.

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BOAT CAPSIZES; SEVEN PERISH

LOG DRIVERS DROWNED IN WASHINGTON RIVER

Woodland, Wash., Nov. 17.—When a boat in which thirteen log drivers were employed by the Lewis River Boom company, which gathers the logs brought down in the drives of the different logging camps and makes them into booms under contract.

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MILITIA OFFICERS IN CONFERENCE

GENERAL MACKENZIE DELIVERS ADDRESS

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CENSORSHIP OF DRAMA WANTED

VANCOUVER DESIRES TO TREAD NEW PATHS

Will Ask Legislature for Power to Try the Experiment Over There

It matters not that the Lord Cham- berlain has brought down on his head time and again the wrath of dramatists and critics, and that the attempts at amateur censorship on this continent have been rather laughable than other- wise, the city of Vancouver is desirous of trying the experiment of civic cen- sorship along with the other civic ex- periments which it is shortly to enter upon.

In the legislation which the city will ask the House to grant it next session in the shape of amendments to that much-amended measure, the Van- couver Incorporation Act, is the fol- lowing provision:

"For appointing a censor or censors, with powers by himself or themselves or with such force and assistance as he or they shall deem necessary, to in- spect, prohibit, stop, put an end to, and to remove plays, shows, not rooms, and performances and exhibitions of any kind whatsoever, and signs, bills, pla- cards, advertisements, pictures, writ- ings, and drawings of any kind whatso- ever, which in the opinion of such censor or censors are lewd, indecent, or immoral."

There is nothing said as to whether this censorship is to extend to any per- formances, farce or comic opera, which may be staged in the municipal council chamber, although, of course, with a commission of business men in charge of the city's affairs, as is proposed from 1913 on, there is not so apt to be any- thing of this sort.

While the working of the commission form of government in the sister city will be watched with interest there will quite likely be a lot of fun to be got out of observing how civic censorship of the drama works out there. This is not to say that the censoring of the- atre would be better without—but civic or other official oversight of the serious drama has so far been such a failure that Vancouver's experiment is not likely to be any more successful.

Municipalists are also to be taken un- der the civic wing across the water, as well as the private detective, too, must secure licenses and be regulated. The licensing and regulating of all these establishments and also of junk shops is to be extended to "persons, firms and corporations operating them."

SUFFER HARDSHIPS DURING BLIZZARD

Three Men, Woman and Babe Overtaken by Storm in the Mountains

Bellingham, Wash., Nov. 17.—Caught on a great trail eighty miles east of Bellingham, near the summit of the Cascades, in the Washington forest, by the blizzard which raged through the mountains for three days last week, Forest Rangers Ridley, McGuire, Monahan and Soll, accompanied by Mrs. Soll and a babe in arms, reached the mountain yesterday in a pitiable condition from exposure and exhaustion.

Four days were spent in coming down the upper Skagit Valley over a trail usually covered in half of a day, to Mable Mountain. Here they rested and doctored the frost bites and came into this city later. They were on their way out for the winter when over- taken by the blizzard. The tempera- ture of ten degrees below zero was experienced while wearing summer clothing, and the provisions carried were intended to last but one day, and were made to last four days.

THE MEDINA SAFE

No Truth in Report of Stranding of King's Vessel in the Mediterranean

London, Nov. 17.—The Admiralty re- ceived a wireless message from the steamer Medina, on which King George and Queen Mary are on their way to India for the Durbar, the message proving untrue the report that the steamer had stranded in the Mediter- ranean.

MAY INVALIDATE MARRIAGES

Mount Vernon, Ill., Nov. 17.—The validity of hundreds of Illinois mar- riages will be affected by the decision of the appellate court of Southern Illi- nois, placed on record here to-day. The court held that the Illinois law forbidding the remarriage of divorced persons within one year could not be evaded by persons going outside of the state to be married and then returning to the state to live.

BABY'S BODY IN PARCEL

Montreal, Nov. 17.—Mail clerks at the post office made a gruesome dis- covery yesterday, when on unwrapping a big parcel the dead body of a baby boy was found. The officials could not tell from what district the parcel had come, as the mail was collected from all the different districts and had been dumped out together for sorting on one of the large tables.

INDUSTRIALISTS GET IN THE RACE

SOUTHERN PORTS ARE AFTER PANAMA TRADE

The Late Government Planned Works Which Would Have Effected Object

Hardly a day passes without some indication of the efforts being made by all the Pacific coast cities across the line to equip their ports to bid for the immense trade which will follow the opening of the Panama Canal, and the lesson is plain to those who are re- sponsible for the port of Victoria that they must be equally active and as- tive.

Not only are the larger and what might be called the recognized ports in the race for supremacy in this regard down the coast, but smaller ports like Los Angeles are going to make a bid for their share of the ocean by the Pacific. Telegraphic advices from Seat- tle on Friday tell of the visit to that city of F. Flemming, secretary of the board of harbor commissioners in Los Angeles.

Mr. Flemming says very aptly that the biggest prizes will go to those ports which are best equipped to handle the business, and he is quoted as making the statement that his city is out against Seattle to be the New York of the Pacific, having made a good get- away in the race by undertaking a great harbor scheme. The sum of \$6,000,000 is being expended by the United States government on the breakwater at San Pedro, the city of Los Angeles will add another \$10,000,000 for the improvement of inner and outer harbors, now under control of the municipality, of which amount \$3,000,000 is now available.

The need for extensive works here to properly equip the port of Victoria to take its place as one of the great har- bors of the Pacific has been recognized by merchants and citizens for years, and was acknowledged by the late federal government. The representative of the province in the cabinet of Sir Wil- frid Laurier kept the matter before his colleagues steadily and convinced them of the justice of the claims of Victoria to have improvement works carried out here. Hon. Mr. Templeman succeeded in bringing the case to a head last summer, securing the consent of the then minister of public works to the early commencement of such improvements as would make this a thoroughly safe and commodious harbor. What his plans were he explained during the campaign and these were unanimously endorsed by the various local interests affected, as well as by prominent citi- zens generally who were all deeply im- bued with the necessity of the works which he proposed.

These included the building of two breakwaters outside the harbor, one projecting from Holland Point to Broche Lodge and the other from Macaulay Point. The effect of these would have been to protect the harbor from the sweep of the southwest gales, which are the most serious here. The cost would be but two million dollars, a small sum when the results of the expenditure would be taken into ac- count. Inside this enclosure the harbor would have been dredged to a depth which would have enabled the largest ocean freighter to have come in and ridden safely inside or tied up at any of the docks which would have been provided on either the north or south side of the harbor. Bounded up with this scheme was the deepening of the channel in several places so as to facilitate and increase its use by dining steamers. The inner harbor is already being deepened under the arrangements made by the late government to a uniform depth of 20 feet.

Until these works are carried out the port of Victoria, while in an un- rivaled position to bid for a New York share of the coming trade, is not adequate to handle even what trade does come to it. Owing to the position the money spent on its im- provement would give a far greater return than that held out on any other port, and the cost of putting it in a position to capture a large share of the Panama trade would be compara- tively small.

It is certain that the people of Vic- toria will look to the successors of the government which first paid any attention to the harbor to carry out the works which were planned by it, and the demand that this be under- taken at once will be all the more insistent as the sea-ports on the south are seen to be pushing forward their preparations, as Los Angeles is doing, to take one instance.

WOMAN SWINDLED

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 17.—The case of a creditous old lady paying \$18 a month for eighteen years to "Pro- fessor" Torrance Duffy to secure im- munity from death resulted not only in the secret of the professor's "elixir of life" being ruthlessly exposed in the police court, but a fine of \$50 for the professor as well.

According to the city chemist, a sample from the "professor's" fountain of youth showed pure water touched up with a small amount of lime and sets its labelled claim to possess the "good of all good in its own goodness" fall- ing to agree with the court's find- ings. It was one of the most painful dis- tresses ever had to perform. District Attorney Schuss said, to convince the old lady that "Professor" Duffy was not a second "Ponce de Leon."

GOES TO JAIL FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

George Williams Declines to Answer Question—Chinese Raid and Hindu Fracas

(From Monday's Daily.) George Williams, a workingman, who was charged with damaging property in the rooming house of Mrs. B. Robertson, 715 Yates street, refused while in the witness box of the police court this morning to answer a question put to him by the city prosecutor. As a result he was committed to jail for 24 hours by Acting Magistrate Prior for contempt of court.

The accused had removed his belongings from the place and returning there is alleged to have smashed the crockery in the room wilfully. He was asked where he had taken the things and refused to answer. He maintained that his removal of his things had nothing to do with the court, and refused to answer. Mr. Prior warned him that he would be committed for contempt if he failed to answer.

Accused in a loud voice maintained the broken crockery was the result of an accident occurring through the handle of the jug being cracked. The look out of the window and one of the panes of glass falls out must I pay for that? If the floor is rotten and I put my foot through it do I pay for that?" he asked.

He remarked that he had "an absolute and total right" to be in the room and was not responsible for wilfully and maliciously breaking the articles, as charged. The case was continued for tomorrow morning when Williams will again be asked the question he refused to answer this morning.

As a result of a raid made last night at 1414 Store street by Detectives Handley and Heath, two Chinese were presented before the court this morning to answer charges of keeping a common gaming house. Represented by W. C. Moresby they were remanded until Friday. Four other Chinese were found in the house, but these have not yet been charged.

A fracas among a number of Hindus on Government and Johnson streets Saturday night in which turbans were sent flying, caused the appearance of Doll and Song Singh for fighting. Both men wished to be allowed to pay and Song Singh said when accused that he had not struck the smaller Hindu. He remarked: "If I hit him he die, I am much stronger than him." They were fined \$10 and each \$2.50 costs.

Yung Chong Long, a Chinese charged with stealing a number of small articles from the Best-Gent store, was remanded until to-morrow morning on \$9 bail.

IDEAS OF A PLAIN MAN

BY DR. FRANK CRANE.

I wish some one would tell me, when he gets time, whatever or whenever put it into the heads of folks, after they have carefully opened a hole in the wall of a room to let in light and air, to go and stop it all up again.

In a church, why is it supposed to be religious to color the light of heaven with a stained glass? Can there be any connection between this custom and denominationalism? That is to say, is it the church's windows are such as to select, from the white and perfect sunlight, only the blues, reds and yellows, and to exclude the rest? The church selects from the white and whole truth about God, certain portions only? If some prophet were to arise and induce some wealthy pork packer to build him a church which should be called "The Church of the Sunlight," and have it all walled with plain glass, I think I should want to join.

And what particular lady imp of darkness is it that, through the window, and inspires them with the mania for attacking any nice, wide, high window in the house, and covering it with layer upon layer of hangings? Why must God Almighty's sweet sun be filtered through rags, even lace rags?

Some day, when I get rich, I'm going to build a house with detachable walls and roof; then when I want to go out doors I won't have to move; I can just ring for a slave, and have the walls and roof moved.

There's nothing better, looks better and is better than air and sunshine. We are prejudiced against them simply because they are so cheap.

CHARGE AGAINST ENGINEER.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 16.—Scores of witnesses including about a dozen living councilmen who have served in the living council for the past 20 years, appeared this morning to testify in regard to the charges preferred against former city engineer R. H. Thomson by Councilman J. J. Goddard. The charges against Mr. Thomson concern city engineering propositions.

Since the original charges were made by Mr. Goddard, a supplemental explanation touching the Cedar river project, had been demanded by Mr. Goddard.

VICTORIAN ELECTION.

London, Nov. 17.—A cable from Melbourne shows that the state elections in Victoria resulted in a few changes, the Liberal-Conservative coalition government being sustained by a majority still over 20.

WHAT WILL THE NAVAL POLICY BE?

STRANGE OMISSION FROM KING'S SPEECH

Failure of Government to Indicate Attitude Causes Some Misgivings

The omission of any reference to the government's naval policy from the Speech from the Throne at Ottawa last Thursday looks ominous for the infant Canadian navy. It has caused no little uneasiness in the minds of the Victoria public who have been cherishing visions of war vessels floating in Esquimalt harbor.

Under ordinary circumstances the omission of any mention of the government's intentions would not have evoked comment because the naval law is on the statute books and it would have been presumed that the new government would continue the policy of its predecessors. But it happens that Mr. Borden is on record as having opposed the establishment of a Canadian navy without first obtaining a plebiscite. Moreover he has three prominent French-Canadian Nationalists in his cabinet, each of whom was elected on the strength of his opposition to the naval law. Furthermore it should be remembered that Hon. Mr. Pelletier, the new Postmaster-General, and Hon. W. Nantel, the new Minister of Indian Revenue, announced that there would be a plebiscite on the navy as they had promised their constituents during the recent election campaign. In this connection it is significant that the announcement of a plebiscite should have been made by the Nationalist ministers in view of the silence of Premier Borden.

In all the circumstances which may be characterized as extraordinary it is strange that the speech contained no reference to the navy. If Mr. Borden intends to have a plebiscite, as Hon. Mr. Pelletier has announced; if he expects to consult the Admiralty in an effort to find some escape from a situation that is becoming intolerable; if he is in favor of continuing the policy of his predecessors, or giving a cash contribution to the Admiralty or arranging to convert the Atlantic and Pacific liners into commerce destroyers—a somewhat amusing proposition—it might reasonably be expected that some announcement of one of these intentions would have been made. In the absence of any announcement it would appear that he has no policy but, like Micawber, "will wait for something to turn up." The "something" which he has in the Montreal stories, led by Sir Hugh Graham, who demand a contribution, or Henri Bourassa, for the Nationalists, who oppose a contribution, and insists upon a plebiscite on the Canadian navy. Knowing it will be defeated. Both sides are represented in the cabinet. Indications point to the repeal of the naval law, a plebiscite, and the probable defeat of the proposition which means that there will be no navy, no contribution and no Canadian participation in Imperial marine defence.

All this is foreshadowed by a speech recently delivered in Montreal by Mr. C. H. Cahan, a prominent supporter of the Premier, who says: "The people of Canada are, in my opinion, prepared to co-operate with the British government in maintaining the supremacy of an Imperial navy, on the only basis that offers to them equality of citizenship within the Empire; but intelligent observers of English public opinion entertain serious doubts whether the British government is prepared to invite the self-governing colonies to participate in the control of Imperial policies, on the condition that these colonies shall contribute their proportionate share of Imperial expenses. My personal acquaintance with citizens of the British Isles is more or less limited; but I confess I have never yet met an Englishman in England who appeared anxious to receive colonial contributions on that basis, and do not believe that Canadians are willing to authorize their own Federal government to make contributions upon any other basis."

Reading the above carefully it will be seen that Equivalency's chance of becoming a naval base is exceedingly remote.

PERSONAL.

W. G. Marten, M. E., the newly appointed manager of the Matanuska Gold Mines Ltd., of Alaska, left Seattle on the 8th instant for the company's property. Mr. Marten was formerly manager of the Venus Athabaska Mining Co., the Imperial Development Co., and the "Eva" Gold Mines, and has had fifteen years experience in British Columbia.

Dr. Bois, of the St. Regis Hotel, Winnipeg, is visiting on the coast, and when in Victoria will make investments in Vancouver Island lands.

Harold Johnston, of the A. R. Johnston Company, the prominent grocery firm, is in the city from Nanaimo.

BRAVE MESSENGER BOY.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 20.—The discovery of the identity of the person who on Tuesday last rescued three children from drowning in the icy waters of the Old Lauson of the trans-Mississippi World's Exposition, now known as Park, has been made. He is Ben Fernal, aged 16, a messenger boy, and is now ill at his home. Three boys, aged 5 to 8 years, had fallen through the ice on which they were playing. Young Fernal, hearing their cries, dashed into the water and brought them ashore. He took them to their homes, but refused to give his name.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Cloverdale, Cal., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Anna Thueler, 70 years of age, was burned to death when her clothing caught fire from a grass fire near the home of S. M. Reed, a relative, whom she was visiting.

FEARS INTERVENTION BY THE POWERS

Premier of China Will Try to Re-establish the Monarchy

Peking, Nov. 20.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai believes China cannot establish a republic with sufficient dispatch to prevent foreign interference. Therefore he is endeavoring to re-establish the monarchy. This is his present attitude, as expressed and implied to members of the national assembly, foreign ministers and others whom he has seen.

The premier believes, or pretends to believe that the provinces of Chih and Honan are safe, although it is well known that only force retains them for the government. He says the masses in most of the provinces are rebellious, but that the provinces succeeded without giving the matter much thought, and very little pressure would bring them back to the fold, particularly if Wuchang is recaptured.

Some members of the assembly think Yuan Shi Kai has the capture of Wuchang in view, and that the renewed fighting around Hankow is preliminary to an attack upon HanYang. Additional troops are being sent south, but the explanation given by the premier is that they are intended to reinforce loyal troops in Honan. Yuan declared that the fighting at Hankow is the result of a rebel attack.

If the Imperial troops are taking the offensive by order of Yuan Shi Kai, the premier is deceiving the national assembly, to which virtually he is responsible.

It is reported that the premier has persuaded the assembly that it must permit the foreign loan, to which it was opposed.

The government intends to pay to members of the assembly a half season advance salary, probably for the purpose of inducing those members who have left Peking to return.

Yuan Shi Kai is supporting the peace society, promoted by Wang Chao Ming, who was recently released from prison, where he was serving a term for an attempt to blow up the regent's palace with a bomb. The society's object is to reunite the country quickly by sending emissaries to the provinces to point out the dangers of foreign interference.

There is a plan also to submit the question of a constitutional monarchy or a republic to a referendum, all the provinces agreeing to abide by the result.

Many provinces report marauding by robber bands and there are persistent rumors that several foreigners have been killed in Shan Si. Several edicts were issued dealing with the members of the new cabinet. One resignation was accepted, while others members were denied permission to resign owing to the country's needs.

Lawlessness Increased. Washington, D. C., Nov. 20.—Affairs in China apparently have reached such a point that neither the rebels nor imperialists are able to check acts of lawlessness. Advice to the state department report that brigandage is on the increase in various parts of the empire. Business is reported in a critical condition, and finances in very bad shape.

Later advices from Nanking, where the decisive battle of the revolution is thought to be impending, are to the effect that all Americans are now out of the city, and that the revolutionaries have captured six members of the Red Cross.

The naval officers report that it will be extremely difficult to protect foreign property inside the walls because it is so widely scattered. The revolutionary forces are still concentrating. They now hold all of the territory in the vicinity of Nanking. The principal advocates of the revolutionaries on Nanking is from the direction of Chin Kiang. The advance guard is made up of trained troops, who are well equipped.

The Imperial warships which were captured by the revolutionaries and rendered voluntarily after the fighting at Hankow, are reported to be lying at Chin Kiang.

The Massacre at Hankow. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 18.—A graphic description of the slaughter of Manchus at Hankow by the frenzied Chinese, was given by Peter Stromme, editor of a Norwegian paper at Grand Forks, N. D., who arrived here from China on the steamer Persia.

"At the time the rebels took possession of Hankow," said Mr. Stromme, "I had a room in the foreign concession not far from the native city. All night long our rooms were lit by the glare of the burning native section and the roar of flames was in our ears."

"Mobs roamed around the native city, looting and firing buildings and cutting down all who are unable to prove themselves not of Manchu blood. I saw many unfortunates pursued and cut down."

"Refugees almost swamped the steamer by which I left Hankow for Shanghai. No foreigners, however, were molested."

Chan Kwain, a prefect of Nam Tung province, living in this city on the steamer Persia. He was met at the wharf by Li Yueng, the Chinese consul-general in this city. Chan said that he was on the way to Washington, merely as a traveller.

The revolutionary leaders in this city, however, believe he has a mission from the Manchur government to be given at Washington.

JAPANESE FORCE PROTECTS CONSULATE

Troops Landed at Foo Chow—Carnegie's Message to Former Ambassador

Peking, Nov. 20.—It is understood at the Japanese legation here that a Japanese force has been landed at Foo Chow to protect the consulate.

New York, Nov. 20.—It was announced to-day that Andrew Carnegie has exchanged sympathetic messages by cable with former ambassador Wu Chang at Shanghai.

"Our hearts go out to you. Success attend you," read one message.

"The first message received by Mr. Carnegie is so widely scattered. The revolutionary forces are still concentrating. They now hold all of the territory in the vicinity of Nanking. The principal advocates of the revolutionaries on Nanking is from the direction of Chin Kiang. The advance guard is made up of trained troops, who are well equipped."

The direct cause of the uprising at Wu Chang was the accidental explosion of a bomb which was being made in the rear of a foreign firm's establishment. The bomb was one of a number the Chinese employees of this firm were making for use against the government, and its premature explosion revealed the preparations for an outbreak. The government officials at once seized the group of conspirators and beheaded the leaders on the spot.

This action generally incensed the people of Wu Chang. The Imperial garrison revolted and the carnival of massacre began. The gates of Wu Chang were closed, and no one was permitted to enter who did not swear allegiance to the revolution. There are thirty foreign missionaries in Wu Chang and a delegation of foreigners from Hankow, just across the river, went to the Wu Chang gate and demanded that the foreigners be permitted to leave. While the delegation was waiting three Manchus were dragged to the gates and beheaded before the horrified foreigners and their heads thrown at the feet of the delegates. The latter returned to Hankow, reported their experiences and foreign troops and sailors were dispatched to Wu Chang and rescued the missionaries. Nearly all the Wu Chang Manchus were butchered. A few were able to make their escape by paying fabulous sums to coolies, who took the risk of lowering them from the walls of the city by ropes. Many of these creatures were ridden by bullets from rebel rifles, however, before they reached the ground.

"I witnessed the capture of a Manchur of a Japanese river boat. Several rebel soldiers went down to the landing, took the man off the boat and led him towards the Chinese city. When the gate was reached the poor fellow was compelled to kneel while the soldiers, armed with their heads with a sabre. Then they stuck it on a pole at the gate."

LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS. Met To-day to Consider Position in View of Defeat of By-law.

(From Monday's Daily.) When seen by a Times representative this morning, Ad. Langley, as the representative of city council on board of library commissioners, declined to express an opinion on the action of the commissioners, in view of the defeat of the library by-law on Friday.

He said an official statement would be made after the meeting of the commissioners, Provincial Librarian Scholefield, Mr. Marchant and himself, that afternoon.

Unofficially it has been stated that the library commissioners are so disappointed at the result that they may even go to the length of resignation, but it is to be hoped that they will not take the extreme step, as the decision of Friday, whatever may have prompted it, cannot be regarded as a vote of censure on their acts. The library will not find the money to equip it properly, and all three commissioners have done admirable service to the institution during their term of office.

WERE SUCCESSFUL IN REGIMENTAL SCHOOL

Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of Fifth Regiment Who Have Certificates

(From Monday's Daily.) A Regimental Order issued by Lt.-Col Currie, commanding the Fifth Regiment, contains the names of the non-commissioned officers and men who have been granted certificates of qualification at the examination of the regimental school of instruction, as follows:

Qualified for the Rank of Sergeant. No. 132, Cpl. V. Zala; No. 181, Bom. M. W. Mann; No. 132, Cpt. J. Stuckey.

Qualified for the Rank of Corporal. No. 41, Cpl. J. R. Stanforth; No. 77, Cpl. S. R. Bowden; No. 100, Bom. G. W. Ashdown-Green; No. 88, Gr. F. Edmonds; No. 35, Gr. P. S. Van Raalte; No. 142, Gr. E. W. Prior; No. 205, Gr. W. S. Barker; No. 138, Cpl. E. G. Ray; No. 41, Bom. W. Kroeger; No. 390, Gr. G. H. Bowden; No. 75, Gr. A. G. Hawkins; No. 196, Gr. L. Tucker; No. 271, Gr. W. M. Patt; No. 298, Gr. F. R. D. deSalle.

Qualified for the Rank of Bombardier. No. 6, Gr. A. R. Nes; No. 22, Gr. A. E. Sargison; No. 7, Gr. H. L. Hutcheson; No. 128, Gr. F. Nell.

According to Mr. Canson, all acting ranks are cancelled excepting those in the band.

The following men having been granted their discharge are struck off the strength from this date: No. 304, Gr. R. J. Humphreys; No. 310, Gr. D. C. Rife; No. 65, Gr. C. Hine; No. 321, Gr. F. Sewell; No. 324, Gr. Jas. Marchant.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—J. Sulater of Yokohama, who was in Hankow when the fighting broke out, arrived home October 30 and described the uprising in a Japanese paper just received here. He said: "The direct cause of the uprising at Wu Chang was the accidental explosion of a bomb which was being made in the rear of a foreign firm's establishment. The bomb was one of a number the Chinese employees of this firm were making for use against the government, and its premature explosion revealed the preparations for an outbreak. The government officials at once seized the group of conspirators and beheaded the leaders on the spot. This action generally incensed the people of Wu Chang. The Imperial garrison revolted and the carnival of massacre began. The gates of Wu Chang were closed, and no one was permitted to enter who did not swear allegiance to the revolution. There are thirty foreign missionaries in Wu Chang and a delegation of foreigners from Hankow, just across the river, went to the Wu Chang gate and demanded that the foreigners be permitted to leave. While the delegation was waiting three Manchus were dragged to the gates and beheaded before the horrified foreigners and their heads thrown at the feet of the delegates. The latter returned to Hankow, reported their experiences and foreign troops and sailors were dispatched to Wu Chang and rescued the missionaries. Nearly all the Wu Chang Manchus were butchered. A few were able to make their escape by paying fabulous sums to coolies, who took the risk of lowering them from the walls of the city by ropes. Many of these creatures were ridden by bullets from rebel rifles, however, before they reached the ground. I witnessed the capture of a Manchur of a Japanese river boat. Several rebel soldiers went down to the landing, took the man off the boat and led him towards the Chinese city. When the gate was reached the poor fellow was compelled to kneel while the soldiers, armed with their heads with a sabre. Then they stuck it on a pole at the gate."

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—Evidence of a well-defined revolutionary plot, which appears to have its base in the northern part of Mexico, has come to the state department. Agents of the department of justice and the American troops along the border have been ordered to watch closely for and prevent any violation of the neutrality laws. General Duncan, commander of the department of Texas, has informed the department of various rumors of revolutionary activity. Should the department of justice agents discover that any plots are being hatched on this side of the line they will immediately make efforts to discourage them. In this work they have the help of the American soldiers along the border. It was stated at the war department that there would be no necessity for reinforcing the American troops now in the border states, although it is not deemed prudent to diminish the force there. The Sixth cavalry will be retained at Fort Huachuca until the situation clears up. El Paso and San Antonio appear to be the centre of trouble just now, according to information at the war department, the Mexicans in those places showing great unrest and signs of political activity. The war department has undertaken, through General Duncan, to take care of any Mexicans found bearing arms, but is obliged to rely on the department of justice to unearth plots for smuggling weapons across the border. Six Indicted. Laredo, Tex., Nov. 20.—Besides General Bernardo Reyes, four Mexicans of prominence and the sheriff of Webb county, Texas, are charged in indictments returned in the United States district court here Saturday with conspiring to violate the neutrality laws of the United States. Rudolfo Reyes, son of the general; Antonio Magon of Monterey, Severo Villareal of Laredo, Amador Sanchez, sheriff of this county, and the private secretary of General Reyes, are those named in the indictments. Sanchez, Magon and Villareal were taken into custody at Laredo. Instructions were telegraphed to San Antonio for the arrest of the others. Saturday's indictment came as a climax to an investigation by the federal grand jury in progress for several weeks, of reports that an uprising in Mexico, with General Reyes as the leader, was being arranged on this border. CRUSHED TO DEATH. Vancouver, Nov. 17.—At Fisher's Landing on the Columbia river, to-day, John Forniglia, a superintendent of a rock quarry, was killed in a rock slide. None of the other workmen were injured. Forniglia was 40 years old and unmarried.

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JAPANESE FORCE PROTECTS CONSULATE

Troops Landed at Foo Chow—Carnegie's Message to Former Ambassador

Peking, Nov. 20.—It is understood at the Japanese legation here that a Japanese force has been landed at Foo Chow to protect the consulate.

New York, Nov. 20.—It was announced to-day that Andrew Carnegie has exchanged sympathetic messages by cable with former ambassador Wu Chang at Shanghai.

"Our hearts go out to you. Success attend you," read one message.

"The first message received by Mr. Carnegie is so widely scattered. The revolutionary forces are still concentrating. They now hold all of the territory in the vicinity of Nanking. The principal advocates of the revolutionaries on Nanking is from the direction of Chin Kiang. The advance guard is made up of trained troops, who are well equipped."

The direct cause of the uprising at Wu Chang was the accidental explosion of a bomb which was being made in the rear of a foreign firm's establishment. The bomb was one of a number the Chinese employees of this firm were making for use against the government, and its premature explosion revealed the preparations for an outbreak. The government officials at once seized the group of conspirators and beheaded the leaders on the spot.

This action generally incensed the people of Wu Chang. The Imperial garrison revolted and the carnival of massacre began. The gates of Wu Chang were closed, and no one was permitted to enter who did not swear allegiance to the revolution. There are thirty foreign missionaries in Wu Chang and a delegation of foreigners from Hankow, just across the river, went to the Wu Chang gate and demanded that the foreigners be permitted to leave. While the delegation was waiting three Manchus were dragged to the gates and beheaded before the horrified foreigners and their heads thrown at the feet of the delegates. The latter returned to Hankow, reported their experiences and foreign troops and sailors were dispatched to Wu Chang and rescued the missionaries. Nearly all the Wu Chang Manchus were butchered. A few were able to make their escape by paying fabulous sums to coolies, who took the risk of lowering them from the walls of the city by ropes. Many of these creatures were ridden by bullets from rebel rifles, however, before they reached the ground.

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LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS. Met To-day to Consider Position in View of Defeat of By-law.

(From Monday's Daily.) When seen by a Times representative this morning, Ad. Langley, as the representative of city council on board of library commissioners, declined to express an opinion on the action of the commissioners, in view of the defeat of the library by-law on Friday.

He said an official statement would be made after the meeting of the commissioners, Provincial Librarian Scholefield, Mr. Marchant and himself, that afternoon.

Unofficially it has been stated that the library commissioners are so disappointed at the result that they may even go to the length of resignation, but it is to be hoped that they will not take the extreme step, as the decision of Friday, whatever may have prompted it, cannot be regarded as a vote of censure on their acts. The library will not find the money to equip it properly, and all three commissioners have done admirable service to the institution during their term of office.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—J. Sulater of Yokohama, who was in Hankow when the fighting broke out, arrived home October 30 and described the uprising in a Japanese paper just received here. He said: "The direct cause of the uprising at Wu Chang was the accidental explosion of a bomb which was being made in the rear of a foreign firm's establishment. The bomb was one of a number the Chinese employees of this firm were making for use against the government, and its premature explosion revealed the preparations for an outbreak. The government officials at once seized the group of conspirators and beheaded the leaders on the spot. This action generally incensed the people of Wu Chang. The Imperial garrison revolted and the carnival of massacre began. The gates of Wu Chang were closed, and no one was permitted to enter who did not swear allegiance to the revolution. There are thirty foreign missionaries in Wu Chang and a delegation of foreigners from Hankow, just across the river, went to the Wu Chang gate and demanded that the foreigners be permitted to leave. While the delegation was waiting three Manchus were dragged to the gates and beheaded before the horrified foreigners and their heads thrown at the feet of the delegates. The latter returned to Hankow, reported their experiences and foreign troops and sailors were dispatched to Wu Chang and rescued the missionaries. Nearly all the Wu Chang Manchus were butchered. A few were able to make their escape by paying fabulous sums to coolies, who took the risk of lowering them from the walls of the city by ropes. Many of these creatures were ridden by bullets from rebel rifles, however, before they reached the ground. I witnessed the capture of a Manchur of a Japanese river boat. Several rebel soldiers went down to the landing, took the man off the boat and led him towards the Chinese city. When the gate was reached the poor fellow was compelled to kneel while the soldiers, armed with their heads with a sabre. Then they stuck it on a pole at the gate."

UNREST IN TOWNS ON MEXICAN LINE

Revolutionary Plot Believed to Have Base in Northern Part of Republic

(From Monday's Daily.) Washington, D. C., Nov. 20.—Evidence of a well-defined revolutionary plot, which appears to have its base in the northern part of Mexico, has come to the state department. Agents of the department of justice and the American troops along the border have been ordered to watch closely for and prevent any violation of the neutrality laws. General Duncan, commander of the department of Texas, has informed the department of various rumors of revolutionary activity.

Should the department of justice agents discover that any plots are being hatched on this side of the line they will immediately make efforts to discourage them. In this work they have the help of the American soldiers along the border. It was stated at the war department that there would be no necessity for reinforcing the American troops now in the border states, although it is not deemed prudent to diminish the force there. The Sixth cavalry will be retained at Fort Huachuca until the situation clears up.

El Paso and San Antonio appear to be the centre of trouble just now, according to information at the war department, the Mexicans in those places showing great unrest and signs of political activity. The war department has undertaken, through General Duncan, to take care of any Mexicans found bearing arms, but is obliged to rely on the department of justice to unearth plots for smuggling weapons across the border. Six Indicted. Laredo, Tex., Nov. 20.—Besides General Bernardo Reyes, four Mexicans of prominence and the sheriff of Webb county, Texas, are charged in indictments returned in the United States district court here Saturday with conspiring to violate the neutrality laws of the United States. Rudolfo Reyes, son of the general; Antonio Magon of Monterey, Severo Villareal of Laredo, Amador Sanchez, sheriff of this county, and the private secretary of General Reyes, are those named in the indictments. Sanchez, Magon and Villareal were taken into custody at Laredo. Instructions were telegraphed to San Antonio for the arrest of the others. Saturday's indictment came as a climax to an investigation by the federal grand jury in progress for several weeks, of reports that an uprising in Mexico, with General Reyes as the leader, was being arranged on this border. CRUSHED TO DEATH. Vancouver, Nov. 17.—At Fisher's Landing on the Columbia river, to-day, John Forniglia, a superintendent of a rock quarry, was killed in a rock slide. None of the other workmen were injured. Forniglia was 40 years old and unmarried.

HEAVY GALES MET CROSSING SOUNDS

Prince Rupert Buffeted in Queen Charlotte and Milbank—Brings Large List

(From Monday's Daily.) Considerable rough weather was encountered by the Grand Trunk Pacific steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. Barney Johnson, which arrived in port yesterday morning, on her run south from Prince Rupert. When crossing Milbank Sound the vessel was buffeted by a strong southeast gale and in Queen Charlotte Sound the wind blew with great force from the south west with a heavy sea running. While weathering both storms the steamer pitched and tossed a great deal. Within the land-locked waters the sea was smooth but when the vessel emerged into the open Pacific the weather became boisterous.

About one hundred and fifty passengers came south on the Prince Rupert, of which number there were seventy-five in the saloon. Among them was B. E. Keilmer, engineer of the mountain division of the G. T. P. railway. He left the steamer at Vancouver but the officers of the Rupert say that during the trip he expressed himself as extremely satisfied with the manner in which the work was being carried out. Other passengers aboard the vessel were J. W. Stewart, of Foley, Welch and Stewart, contractors for a large part of the line, and his brother Angus Stewart, one of the sub-contractors.

The Rupert made her regular trip to Seattle yesterday and returned here this morning with twenty passengers bound north to Rupert. At this port W. Hunter, Miss McKiern and Mrs. A. E. Wright joined the steamer. The Rupert had as cargo for the G. T. P. terminal about two hundred tons of general merchandise.

Work on overhauling the steamer Prince John is being done at Vancouver and not at Esquimalt as was at first expected. The job will be completed last week and will get away for Prince Rupert about Wednesday of this week.

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YOUNG GIRL IS SENT TO SALOON FOR BEER

Licensee Charged in Police Court With Sale to Minor—Decision Reserved

(From Friday's Daily.) The right of a licensee to sell liquor to a minor under conditions which are reserved in his license, is the basis of a charge brought in the police court this morning before Acting-Magistrate C. J. Prior by the licensing inspector of Victoria against M. A. Hesson, licensee of the Leland saloon, Douglas street. Whether there was a sale or gift and how far it relates in either case to the minor is the question which the magistrate hesitated to decide this morning and reserved his decision to plow through a mass of authorities which were quoted by R. C. Lowe, acting city prosecutor. The facts were admitted that a child, six years of age, had been sent by her mother to the saloon for beer on behalf of Mrs. Mary Lash for two bottles of beer. The child was given 26 cents and at the Leland saloon received the beer and paid over the money. She then delivered the beer to Mrs. Lash. Mr. Atkman, for the defence, argued along the lines that there was no sale to the little girl but that she was merely a conveying agent for the purchase. If there was a sale there was no money to the person who supplied the beer and received the beer, and if the money was paid, which was proved, there was no gift or giving, as charged in the complaint. In neither case he held the girl did not receive the beer as a gift nor did she buy it, but was merely an intermediary agent. The child went to the saloon on the request of Mrs. Lash, who first called on the girl's mother and then on the saloon. The mother gave permission and wrote a note to the saloonkeeper asking him to give the girl two bottles of beer. The child was given 26 cents with which to pay for it. The decision will probably be given to-morrow morning.

CLAIMING NO SALVAGE

Puget Sound Towboat Co. Not to Ask Owners of Washington for Compensation. No salvage will be claimed by the Puget Sound Towboat Company owning the tug Tatooch, which rescued the steam schooner Washington with forty-six persons on board, at the mouth of the Columbia river, during the storm of last Monday, when the Washington was in imminent danger of going on the rocks. The tug company made this announcement yesterday following the receipt of a letter from Captain Bailey of the Tatooch. The company wrote Captain Bailey that the schooner was rescued by the tug company and that the company was not claiming salvage. Captain Bailey replied at once that the tug company would make no claim for salvage. He says his crew risked their lives when they went to the aid of the Washington and that they never coming back to land. When he called for volunteers, every man aboard the tug volunteered, and under the circumstances of the rescue, Captain Bailey does not wish to claim any salvage.

GOVERNMENT TAX SALE

Some Small Pieces of Land Sold Adjacent to Victoria. There was a sale of land for unpaid principal taxes Thursday in the main hall at the parliament buildings, the provincial assessor, E. E. Leeson, being the auctioneer. There were seven small pieces of land in the district of the Malahat. The whole sum of \$2,886 was realized after brisk bidding. The purchasers were Jennings Brothers, A. W. Foster, J. G. Pell, A. B. Ellis, C. E. Dunaway, C. Schultz, William Whyte, George Jones and E. A. Lewis. According to law, the owners who have lost their land through their neglect in not paying the taxes due upon it will have five years within which to pay the taxes to the new owners if they so desire. To secure possession of it again they must pay all charges and reimburse the purchaser at the time of sale for the expenditure, with twelve per cent. interest.

LADIES OF LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Ladies Aid Society of the Grace Lutheran church, Blanchard and Queen avenues, held a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Kenn, 2651 Work street, Thursday afternoon. The ladies are busy preparing for the church bazaar to be held about the first of the coming month. The afternoon was devoted to arrangements for the sale. Those attending were Mesdames Drahn, Butler, Murray, Fedon, Nelson, Anderson, Oloson, Deacon, Harold, Sanson, Drupe and Mrs. McDugle.

DRANK POISON

Portland, Ore., Nov. 17.—Eugene Markley, a lawyer of this city, was found dead in bed here yesterday, an empty bottle which had contained carbolic acid indicating the cause of death. Markley had been divorced recently and his friends state that he had been brooding over his troubles. On a table beside the bed was a letter to his parents in Los Angeles bidding them farewell. Markley was 45 years of age.

"CAT" FOR ROBBER

Vancouver, Nov. 17.—Five years' imprisonment and twelve lashes was the sentence imposed yesterday on Clarence Thompson, who robbed an elderly man, E. M. Hall, of \$100 during a walk home after the "hat" acquaintance on the street. Thompson struck his companion Hall on the head, rendering him unconscious. When Hall recovered the money was gone. Thompson declared that he knew nothing of it and that Hall had been hit on the head by a falling brick.

LEAGUE FORMED BY ICE HOCKEY TEAMS

Four Amateur Victoria Clubs Will Compete for the Dudley Cup at Oak Bay Rink

At a meeting of delegates from the North Ward, J. B. A. A., Victoria West and Prairie clubs, held in the office of Griffin, Reynolds & Co., Times Building, Thursday, the organization of the Victoria Amateur Ice Hockey Association was completed. An early meeting will be held to draw up a schedule. The choice of the following officers, already made, was ratified by the association: President, W. R. Reynolds, secretary-treasurer, L. A. Campbell, board of directors, G. Gunn, C. Brunet, Frank Gallinger and C. Brown. Percy Richardson offers to present a cup to be known as the Dudley Cup to the senior city league, the officers of the association to act as trustees of the cup. Mr. Richardson was thanked for his generosity and for the good wishes expressed in his letter.

JUDGMENT IS RESERVED

Edrie Case in Court of Appeal Finished—Argue on Schooner's Position. Vancouver, Nov. 17.—The court of appeal yesterday reserved judgment in the case of the fishing schooner Edrie, seized last February by H. M. C. S. Rainbow. W. E. A. Ritchie, K. C., for the Chippewa Fishing Company, owners of the Edrie, contended that there was a difference in the charts submitted by the prosecution and the defence. A new chart, purchased direct from the stationer, had been submitted to the court by the defence, and on that the position of the Edrie at the time of her capture, as marked by Commander Stewart, showed plainly she was outside the three-mile limit. D. G. Macdonnell, who appeared for the crown, confined his argument chiefly to facts brought out in evidence by the commander and officers of the Rainbow in the trial before the first justice. He pointed out that the commander and first lieutenant of the Rainbow took very careful bearings, both with the compass and an instrument known as the range finder. According to this, when they first sighted the Edrie she was three-quarters of a mile inside the three-mile limit from the shore of Cox's Island. Later on she was a quarter of a mile inside, and when they fired the shot and sent her to heaven, she was still 300 yards inside.

POLITICAL EQUALITY LEAGUE

An Interesting Meeting Was Held Thursday Afternoon. Mrs. N. King, 1143, Caledonia street, entertained the members of the Equality League Thursday afternoon. Many members were present, and Mrs. Bacci was in the chair. She opened the meeting with a short introductory address on the enfranchisement of women, and spoke of woman's work being seriously impeded by inability to vote. Mrs. Gordon Grant, the speaker of the afternoon, appealed to women to sign the petition to be sent to the provincial legislature praying for the granting of the franchise to women. A contract was made that would result from the vote of women. Other laws of a beneficent character would follow. Judge Lindsey, of Denver, was once recited by women's votes. Mrs. Grant stated, and she pointed out to her audience that they must learn to stand on their own feet and demand recognition. Mrs. Baer read Kipling's "Parody on the Star," and also a parody on it from the press in a most pleasing manner. Miss Bromley-Jubb read Sidney Lowe's interpretation of the same poem. After the programme this case was handed about for signatures.

ON HUNTING EXPEDITION

Visitor Will Shoot Wapiti on Vancouver Island—The McGill Daily. An inquiry as to the chance to shoot wapiti on Vancouver Island comes to the offices of the Vancouver Island Development League from C. P. Ryder, a resident at Pine Lake, Alberta, who will be visiting the coast at an early date to engage in some big game shooting in British Columbia. R. Howe Holland, who is writing a series of articles on the historical and commercial record of Western Canadian cities for the McGill Daily, and paper published in connection with McGill University, Montreal, has informed the secretary that he has received the information supplied by the league, and will send a copy of the article when it is published. A man of many attainments writes to the league from Little Sark, one of the Channel Islands, and wants information as to the possibility of succeeding in farming here. He is a practical farmer of many years' standing, "willing to unlearn what he has learned," and has been carpenter, lecturer in continuation schools, and veterinary in the course of his career. Such a man is very desirable, and due encouragement will be given him. The mail includes a number of letters from settlers on the prairies, who all complain of the "dust," and seek a district where the atmospheric conditions are not so changeable as in parts of the prairie provinces.

BRITISH STEAMER FOUNDERS

London, Nov. 17.—The British steamer St. Brid, a handkerchief of 1,235 tons, was for Norfolk, is reported to have foundered on the shoals off Newek Island in the North Sea. A large boat carrying some bodies has been picked up.

NE TEMERE DECREE IS CONDEMNED

Letter From Archbishop of Canterbury Read at Meeting in London

London, Nov. 17.—A meeting was held here condemning the publication of the ne temere decree. Lord Kinaird, lord high commissioner to the Church of Scotland from 1907 to 1909, said such a decree from an alien power which claimed universal right over many matters must be resisted. J. H. M. Campbell, K.C., former Attorney-general, said that not only was the decree felt, but it was becoming a grave scandal. In Canada where matters had become acute, Protestant Canadians have determined to stamp it out. There is a deliberate conspiracy to put this insolent and arrogant decree all over the world. Did any one imagine that Glasgow or Salisbury would have stood the decree five minutes? The Archbishop of Canterbury wrote to the chairman of the meeting saying: "Any branch of the Church of England must clearly have the power to define conditions of its membership, but in my opinion it is much to be regretted that by the promulgation of the ne temere decree, and even more by the language which it appears, has been some time used to secure obedience, the Roman church should introduce confusion in domestic life and give rise to unnecessary and disquieting doubts."

CHARTERED VESSEL TAKING BIG CARGO

Harlesden to Carry Massive Load to Orient—Room for Other Companies in Trade. Showing clearly that there is sufficient business between Puget Sound and the Orient to warrant additional lines entering the trade, is the fact that the steamship Harlesden, under charter to the Blue Funnel line, when she leaves Seattle for Yokohama shortly, will have a capacity load of general merchandise, including a tremendous deck-load of lumber. The Harlesden has had no difficulty in securing a full cargo despite the fact that just previous to her charter the Holt line Belleophon had cleared from the sound and that the Cyclops has been loading freight at the same time. When the Harlesden sails she will hardly resemble a steamship in appearance as such an immense amount of cargo is being taken aboard, which has necessitated stacking her deck up high with lumber by the use of high bulwarks. Already staggering under a heavy cargo which jams her holds, the vessel has returned from Vancouver to Seattle and will complete her deck load there and at Port Blakeley. After loading several hundred tons of freight here, the Cyclops will leave for the Holt line, cleared for Seattle Thursday. She took on her 4,000 barrels of whale oil, 10,000 cases of salmon and considerable lumber and general freight. The big steamship will leave Victoria on her outward bound trip on November 29.

SEND CAPT. WALBRAN TO COMMAND QUADRA

Leaves To-night for Prince Rupert to Relieve Capt. Hackett—Newington Sails. (From Friday's Daily.) Announcement has been made by the Marine and Fisheries department to the effect that Capt. J. T. Walbran will relieve Capt. Charles Hackett, as commander of the steamer Quadra, now lying at Prince Rupert. Capt. Walbran, who is connected with the office staff of the department, is leaving on the C. P. R. steamer Princess May for the northern port to-night. He was formerly master of the Quadra, and is to take that vessel to Langara Island from Prince Rupert and then bring her south to Victoria. This morning the steamer Newington, Capt. Barnes, of the Marine department, left port for the lighthouses and life-saving stations on the west coast with stores and supplies. It is expected that she will be absent from here for several weeks as the heavy weather which is prevailing off the coast will delay the landing of the provisions at the exposed points. According to the agents of the G. T. P. the steamer Prince John will arrive here late this afternoon from the north to take the vessel to the west coast. The vessel was expected here yesterday but word was received to-day that she left Prince Rupert one day late. She will spend about a week in port and while at home or wanted him back, William Henry Flynn said Hackett Fleming, Prince Rupert-Queen Charlotte-Stevedore service. The John will be turned over to the B. C. Marine railway while here and given an extensive overhaul.

SCHEME PROBABLY DEFEATED

Unfriendly Interests Turn Down B. N. Baker—Was to Have Operated Line via Panama. Portland, Ore., Nov. 17.—Word was received here last night by J. N. Tew, of this city, from Bernard N. Baker, of Baltimore, that unfriendly interests have probably defeated the financing of a large steamship company which contemplated putting on a line of large ships to ply between Seattle, Portland, and San Francisco on the Pacific Coast, and Atlantic coast ports by way of the Panama Canal. According to reports received here, Mr. Baker will endeavor to influence congress to authorize federal authorities to establish the line. Mr. Baker visited various Pacific Coast cities a few weeks ago, when he outlined his plans for the steamship line. Ladies' Aid Sale—The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church are busy getting ready for their sale of work to be held in the church hall on November 29th.

DERBY AUTUMN CUP

London, Nov. 17.—The Derby Autumn Cup, a handicap of 1,235 sovereigns over a mile and six furlongs, was won by J. B. Thorneycroft's Clarenceaux, to I. J. De Rothschild's Bronson, 2 to 1, in second, and W. Chatterton's Grabbal, 3 to 1, third.

MANY COMPANIES ARE IN DANGER

FAILED TO OBSERVE THE COMPANIES ACT

And May Be Struck Off the Provincial Roll—New Concerns Incorporated. (From Friday's Daily.) The register of joint stock companies is not on the tract of the multitude of companies which do not fulfil the requirements of the Companies Act. To his previous long list of companies which are given two months to put themselves right Mr. Whitehead has in this week's B. C. Gazette a list of 38 delinquents. When he started his campaign for the cleaning up of the rolls his notices usually contained but ten or a dozen names, generally of long defunct concerns. The striking thing about his recent lists is the number of live firms whose names are given in Victoria, for instance, of firms which one can see doing business any day. In all these cases, of course, the necessary statements will be sent in and the registrar will not have to carry out the alternative of striking the company off the roll and consigning it to the limbo where rest some hundreds of mining companies especially. Certificates of incorporation have been granted during the week to the following companies: American Company, Ltd.; Britannia Investors, Ltd.; British North America Securities Corporation, Ltd.; Cook Construction Co., Ltd.; Disette Motor Co., Ltd.; Dominion Shale Brick & Sewer Pipe Co., Ltd.; Lurie Automobile, Ltd.; Pacific Chocolate Co., Ltd.; Pacific Fruit Lands, Ltd.; Port Haney Poultry Ranch, Ltd.; Scientific American Company Dept., Ltd.; Union Mortgage Co., Ltd.; Utility Can Manufacturing Co., Ltd.; Yellowhead Gas Light & Fuel Co., Ltd. Extra-provincial companies registered are: Barnhardt Brothers & Spindler, B. F. Gooderich Co. of California, Ferguson-Hendrix Co., Northern Clay Co., Wells, Fargo & Co. The Fidelity-Phenix Fire Insurance Company of New York, has been licensed under the British Columbia Fire Insurance Act to do business in the province, the head office for British Columbia being here, with Arthur Coles as attorney for the company. A license has been granted to The E. C. Construction Co., Ltd., an English firm with its head office in England, to do business in this province in the Temple Building, Fort street, and the attorney for the company is Henry K. G. Bamber. The appointments gazetted are: John Jones, acting as a justice of the peace; P. J. McIntyre, Vancouver, to be a commissioner for taking affidavits; Joseph A. Manghan, Merritt, and Charles E. Wilson, Victoria, to be justices of the peace; H. Mathew, Nicola, and A. E. Rogers, Merritt, to be official members of the board of directors of Nicola Valley General hospital.

THOUSAND REPORTED KILLED OR WOUNDED

Battle Rages for Three Days at Chang Chow—Premier's Troubles. Amoy, Nov. 17.—According to native estimates more than one thousand casualties have occurred up to last evening in the three-days fighting at Chang Chow. Troops Parade Streets. London, Nov. 17.—A news dispatch from Tien Tsin says that British, French and Russian troops made some demonstrations there to-day by parading in the streets. Decline to Serve. Peking, Nov. 17.—11:47 p. m.—China's first experiment with a constitutional cabinet dominated by Chinese does not promise much except a stepping stone to something more permanent. The newspapers are not enthusiastic and expect the new administration of Premier Yuan Shi Kai will be brief. Some of those selected as ministers already have declined to serve. Suspensions in some quarters are that Sun Yat Sen deliberately constituted a government, a continuation of which he knew to be impossible.

WILL SEND FORCE TO PERSIA

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—As no reply has been received from the Persian government, it was officially announced that the government has ordered the immediate dispatch of troops to Persia. Spend Christmas in the Dear Old Land. Many Victorians Leaving to Visit Home Towns Once More—Heavy Bookings. Heavy bookings to all points in England, Scotland and Ireland are reported at the present time by the passenger lines. The great rush of people to the Coronation of the spring and summer of this year there has been a fall in the business of the various railroad and steamship agencies during the last two weeks. The transportation men state that they have made numerous reservations for persons who will spend several months visiting their native towns. Christmas there are generally a great many people booked for return trips to the Old Country, but this year's bookings surpass all former records. Some of the old timers of Victoria have purchased tickets for their home towns and will spend Christmas among their kind and kin, whom they have not seen for many years. The Atlantic steamships are reported to have their accommodation taken up to the second week in December. Every day a number of Victorians depart on the Vancouver or Seattle boats to come with their trains which will rush them across the continent to New York, Montreal or some of the other ports where the big liners sail. It is impossible to get even a rough estimate of the number of local residents who will spend Christmas in old England, but the agents expected that it will exceed over 150.

OVERHEAD CHECK REIN.

To the Editor:—Again and yet again, and now once more, I have on behalf of the B.C.A. to have a small space in your columns to denounce the abuse of the overhead check rein. The matter was brought before our annual meeting on Wednesday evening, and a letter was read from the correspondent, from which I extract the following: "Last Sunday, although cold, I saw a horse, steaming and white with lather, pulling its owner up a hill in Canada. It absolutely could not move its head." It has been repeatedly demonstrated that in many cases where it is required the practice should not be carried to excess. When the point is passed becomes absolute cruelty, and is a disgrace to any driver or owner of "man's best friend." May I once more put in a successful plea for, if not the abolition, at least the curtailment of a practice which is in many cases unnecessary, and where it is, should only be used in moderation. T. HOS. W. PALMER, Hon. Sec.

CAR SHORTAGE

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 16.—Car shortage reports from the Canadian Northwest are coming in daily. Winnipeg wired to-day that the situation in Western Canada was so acute that the elevators have been forced to close, as they have no way of shipping out the wheat they have already taken in. Seventy-five points, according to the Winnipeg report, have no cars in sight. It is estimated that the receipts at Winnipeg would be about a car a day if the railroads could furnish the cars.

SURRENDER TO POLICE

Salem, Ore., Nov. 16.—Informing the police that he had embezzled \$1,000 from a London bank for which he had worked twelve years and inquiring whether or not they had missed him at home or wanted him back, William Henry Flynn said Hackett Fleming, Prince Rupert-Queen Charlotte-Stevedore service. The John will be turned over to the B. C. Marine railway while here and given an extensive overhaul.

FIFTEEN SAILORS LOSE THEIR LIVES

BARQUE ASHORE IN GULF OF ST. LAWR

Vessel Going to Pieces—Is Sweeping Lake Superior. Montreal, Nov. 17.—The Norwegian barque Antigua was wrecked at Martin River, Gaspé coast, early this morning, been driven ashore in the heavy northwest gale. The vessel loaded with ore, was going to pieces and 15 out of the 18 of the ship's company, including the captain, has been drowned. No further information is obtainable from the survivors. The vessel loaded at one of the lower ports. Wind and Snow. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Nov. 17.—A change in the weather took place during the night, and this morning a fierce gale and blinding snowstorm is sweeping over the Lake Superior region, causing a rush to shelter of all ships. Boats as fast as they arrive at the canal either tie up at the piers or drop anchor in the harbor. No notice the ship canal was opened in 1855 has this region been visited by such heavy snowstorms or as fierce gales as have prevailed and are now prevailing this November. The apprehensions among the boatsmen that the lake will freeze over, causing a sudden close of navigation, is strong to-day, and is causing much uneasiness. Many boats are in shelter here and others are reported long overdue.

SPEND CHRISTMAS IN THE DEAR OLD LAND

Many Victorians Leaving to Visit Home Towns Once More—Heavy Bookings. Heavy bookings to all points in England, Scotland and Ireland are reported at the present time by the passenger lines. The great rush of people to the Coronation of the spring and summer of this year there has been a fall in the business of the various railroad and steamship agencies during the last two weeks. The transportation men state that they have made numerous reservations for persons who will spend several months visiting their native towns. Christmas there are generally a great many people booked for return trips to the Old Country, but this year's bookings surpass all former records. Some of the old timers of Victoria have purchased tickets for their home towns and will spend Christmas among their kind and kin, whom they have not seen for many years. The Atlantic steamships are reported to have their accommodation taken up to the second week in December. Every day a number of Victorians depart on the Vancouver or Seattle boats to come with their trains which will rush them across the continent to New York, Montreal or some of the other ports where the big liners sail. It is impossible to get even a rough estimate of the number of local residents who will spend Christmas in old England, but the agents expected that it will exceed over 150.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

Toronto, Nov. 17.—Rev. T. E. E. Shore, general secretary of the Foreign Missions of the Canadian Conference, questions the accuracy of the report from Victoria, B. C., this morning of the murder of two foreign missionaries in Szechuan, China. "We are getting the very latest and most reliable news from West China," he said when shown the dispatch, "and I don't think any such serious news could have reached Shanghai and not been received here. Szechuan is far from our missionaries have their headquarters, but I should be inclined to think that the news cannot be true."

MEXICAN TROUBLES

Washington, D. C., Nov. 17.—It is reported here that a serious situation undoubtedly exists in Mexico. Recent reports of disturbances in various parts of the republic were regarded as based on nothing more than the ebullitions of half-trained soldiers who found it difficult to return to the ways of peace. Later reports, however, are reaching Washington, indicating that there is danger of another revolution which may absorb within it the lesser and sporadic disorderly bands in various parts of the republic. Y. W. C. A. SOCIAL. Enjoyable Event Was Held Last Evening—Good Programme.

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SHIPMENT OF JAP ORANGES ARRIVES

CANADA MARU BRINGS FIRST CONSIGNMENT

No Christmas festivities are ever complete without the celebrated Japanese oranges, which seem to add a finishing touch to the menu of delicacies served at that season of the year. Reports were received here a short time ago stating that the chop of oranges in Japan had been a failure but all Victorians, who conduct the Yule-tide dinner according to the old customs, will gladly receive the news that the Osaka Shosen Kaisha steamship Canada Maru, which arrived here Thursday afternoon, brought the first shipment of Japanese oranges. Nearly 600 boxes were discharged and Capt. Hori, who is in command of the Maru, states that all the liners following the Canada will bring large shipments of oranges, which at this season of the year are considered in this part of the globe as Japan's foremost product. The skipper of the vessel does not believe that there will be a dearth in the orange trade as all the growers have packed many thousands of boxes despite the rather poor crop. The Canada Maru was almost a day late when she tied up at the outer docks and Capt. Hori attributes the delay to the stormy weather which was encountered during the run across the Pacific. When four days out from Yokohama the steamship ran into a light northwest breeze, which later developed into almost a hurricane. The liner shipped an enormous amount of water as the seas were running tremendously high. After bucking into the gale for some time Capt. Hori decided to slow his vessel down and as the storm increased in fury he gave to. For twenty hours the Maru remained at almost a standstill, just keeping sufficient weight on to hold her nose into the gale. As the large combers swept the decks some damage was done, a number of the doors being splintered. Not once during the trip across did the Maru have a pleasant day's sailing. Moderate gales and rain prevailed during the latter part of the passage, which Capt. Hori states was the dirtiest he has ever experienced on the Pacific. Among the saloon passengers brought across the Pacific by the Canada was R. Watanabe, who is to join the Japanese consulate at Vancouver. For many years he was chancellor at Vladivostok and left that city only four months ago to take a position in the Terminal City. He is spending a few days in this city before proceeding to the mainland port. There were also five other saloon passengers, including three Japanese ladies and K. Pokerdus and J. Takita from Yokohama. Eight hundred bales of silk, valued at considerably over a quarter of a million dollars, was stowed in the holds of the steamship. She also had three thousand tons of general freight, of which 400 tons was discharged at Victoria.

FIGHT WITH TRAMPS

Sheriff Wounded While Trying to Make Arrest. Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 17.—In a battle with tramps near the depot here, Sheriff Ira Crisp, of Clarke county, was shot in the neck and painfully wounded. The tramps are supposed to be of the same gang who are alleged to have been involved in the killing at Butte last Tuesday of W. H. Shores. The sheriff learned that the men were hiding near the depot here and that the deputy sheriff, George Barbeau, went in the wrong place to make the arrest. A fight followed. Undaunted by his injuries, Sheriff Crisp and Barbeau pursued the men. In the meantime a squad of seven policemen responded to call for aid and a second battle took place at the Twenty-sixth street bridge. After a lively exchange of shots, one of the men, a "man with the cap" whom the posse was after, escaped, and retraced his way toward the depot. A tramp who is alleged to have been the man who wounded Sheriff Crisp was captured near Yaluma yesterday and a second battle was fought. He attempted to shoot the pursuing officers, but was overpowered and brought to this city. He refuses to give his name and nothing could be learned of his antecedents. A kit of burglar's tools and a revolver were found on his person. Three tramps were brought here from Butler last Wednesday on suspicion of being implicated in the shooting of Shores.

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MAY SUCCEED REAL CHASE

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BOARD OF TRADE AND THE CANADIAN NAVY

Local Body Wants Canadian Warships Built in Canada—Annual Report

The thirty-second annual report of the Victoria Board of Trade, reviewing the activities of that body for the year ending June 30, 1911, has just been printed. As usual it is a very useful pamphlet of reference containing a considerable quantity of information concerning the province generally and Victoria particularly.

In view of the uncertainty existing as to the new federal government's policy on the navy, it is of interest to recall a portion of the report of the secretary, F. Elworthy, which was read at the annual meeting and which appears on the recent issue. This reads as follows:

In view of the decision of the federal government to provide for the naval defence of Canada and to distribute the fleet on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, it was expected that arrangements would be made for the establishment of construction works simultaneously on each of the seaboard. It appears, however, that in calling for tenders for the construction of the fleet that a clause was inserted in the form of tender providing for the payment of the standard scale of wages obtaining in whatever locality the ships are to be built. Under such conditions, provided the lowest tender can possibly be carried out in Canada in consequence of the wages payable here being so much higher than those paid for such work in Great Britain. Assuming that the federal government should decide that the general advantages to Canada of having these vessels built in the Dominion would offset the difference between the British and Canadian tenders, there remains to be considered what allowance should be made for construction on the Pacific coast, where wages are higher than they are on the Atlantic.

The opinion of this board is most emphatic that the Canadian ships of war should be built in Canada, and that construction works should be simultaneously established on both coasts. At this stage the question of cost should be secondary to that of policy. These views, which are fully endorsed by the Vancouver Board of Trade, have been communicated to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but until his return from the coronation it is unlikely that any decision will be arrived at. The problem is not confined to different points on the lines here indicated, as a precedent will be found in the bonuses given to assist in the establishment of the iron and steel industries which were taken advantage of in eastern Canada at a cost to the Dominion of some \$15,000,000, to the very great benefit of the country. It is not unreasonable to ask that, if necessary, the principle involved in the establishment of the iron and steel industries should be extended to secure the establishment on this coast of a shipbuilding plant equal to the probable future requirements of the Canadian navy as well as of the mercantile marine on the Pacific ocean.

VICTORIA DEBATING SOCIETY. Interesting Discussion of Hindu Immigration Question Thursday.

The Victoria Debating Society held a meeting Thursday night at the K. of P. hall to discuss the Hindu immigration question. Mr. Gale took up the affirmative and Mr. Shaw the negative side of the subject. Mr. Gale gave four reasons why Hindus should be allowed to enter Canada, and they were: 1. Hindus being of the same race, viz. the Caucasian. 2. Economic factor being that the Sikhs were mostly tillers of the soil, and thus would reduce the cost of living. 3. The Hindu people had lofty ideals and were a great moral race; their women were especially to be commended for their virtuous and pious lives, and the bringing of the Hindu's families would be a great moral factor in Canada. 4. They were far better than the Slavs and Doukhobors and Italians. He could tell from his experience of the Doukhobors that the money spent in bringing these people to Canada was useless. The Hindus were British subjects.

Touching on the relation of England and India, Mr. Gale said that India paid England \$80,000,000 yearly. The tax in India was three times that of England per capita. The Indian people paid for the construction of British Dreadnoughts by the payment of this huge sum, and surely it was the Hindu's right to seek to get the same privilege as alien Japanese, Chinese and others. The judges agreed with Mr. Gale. Dr. Sunder Singh, asked by the chairman to address the meeting, he said that there was one and only one definition of the word British citizen and there could not be two standards within the same Empire. The Hindus will stick to principles and in the end truth and justice will prevail. The Hindus were on the road to constitutional government and it was not advisable for a rising country like Canada, having a population of seven millions to face a challenge at the great Hindu race of nearly 300 millions. He thought the shutting out of Hindus families was ultra vires of parliament. This unjust action of Canada was causing a lot of harm to British supremacy in India, for all through the ages the Sikhs especially had entire confidence in British justice and fairplay. There were at present waiting in Hongkong Sikh millions, he thought the shutting out of them was a crime. He appealed to the Christian people of Canada to help them get justice, for the

greatness of an Empire depended on righteousness and truth and not on right. He asked them to compare England of the times of Elizabeth with that of today and it was wholly satisfactory to account of the wealth of India that there was so much progress in England. The British people realized the value of India to the Empire. Canadians should do the same.

BY-LAWS' DEFEAT WAS STAGGERING

(Continued from page 2) ed as the original intention of Mr. Justice Martin, the chances are that it would have passed easily, because the sum demanded in it was not excessive, and because it was generally known that the institution is in urgent need of the same. In view of these circumstances it is doubtful whether the city will be in a position to ask Mr. Justice Martin to meet the cost of re-submitting the measures.

In the case of the Parks By-law the circumstances were the same, but only to a point. The sum asked for (\$214,000) was very large, in addition to which no specific location for the lands to be purchased was mentioned. In the authorization of the raising of a sum is not surprising that the public should be desirous of knowing more about the lands that are to be purchased, who is the possessor of them, and in short, be taken into the confidence of the council upon the matter. Not unnaturally, Ald. Humber, who fathered the Parks By-law, is very disappointed at the result, but realizing the solidity of the opposition in what must be regarded as a rather large poll, he does not wish to say anything. It is clear to him that the people do not want the by-law, at least not at the present time, in fact which, while it induces him to dub them bad economists on account of the steady increase in the cost of land for park purposes, reconciles him to the situation.

In regard to the Library By-law, however, reconciliation is out of the question, and the commissioners are now considering their position in the light of the people's verdict. Ald. Langley has been closely identified with the measure since it was first introduced, cannot comprehend the point of view that would sacrifice a public institution of the educational and social importance of the Carnegie Library for a few paltry thousand dollars. He is vexed at the result, and it is likely that something strong will emanate from his consideration of the distressing situation to which the library is now reduced by the failure of the by-law.

Public sentiment appeared to be opposed to the expenditure of \$30,000 for the Songhees park proposition from the outset, and the explanations of the situation that have appeared from time to time in this paper doubtless had their effect on the public mind. The vote exhibits distinct objection to the measure, there being only ninety more votes for it than against it.

Taken all round about eleven hundred votes were cast on the average basis. This represents a considerable increase over the last occasion when little more than half that number was cast. The booths were kept busy all day, and after the closure was applied at 7 o'clock it took the enumerators more than an hour to count the tally.

When the announcement of the results was made some surprise was evinced by those who had hoped for more affirmative results. Mayor Morley on being asked to express an opinion as to the causes contributing to the general defeat of the measures declined to make any suggestions, doubtless deeming that silence is golden although unfortunately for the by-law promoters, it is not correct coin of the realm.

EXONERATES SHIP'S OFFICERS AND CREW

Could Not Avert Stranding of Knight of St. George—Captain Criticizes Residents

After hearing the evidence of the captain, second mate, chief and third engineers and the Chinese A. B. who was on watch at the fore-castle head at the time the vessel struck, the court which sat at Nukalofoa recently to inquire into the grounding of the steamship Knight of St. George on Tonga Island, exonerated Capt. Stephens, his officers and crew. The court, consisting of the deputy-high commissioner with whom was associated two captains, said: "That the accident was caused by an abnormal current setting in from the southwest (whereas the sailing directions state that there is a strong set from the eastward, and this set had not been experienced during the first part of the vessel's run from Vavau on that same trip); That Captain Stephens and his crew had done all in their power, both before and after the stranding, for the safety of the ship; That there was no blame attachable to any of the officers, and, therefore, all their certificates would be returned."

Capt. Stephens, at the inquiry complained bitterly of the attitude of the people of Tonga after his vessel struck. They gave him practically no assistance in saving what he did of the cargo, and when he refused to sell the cargo of lumber and general merchandise at a low price they refused to buy it. The captain stated that if he had been able to secure two launches he could have saved all the cargo of lumber and general merchandise and had a good chance to save the vessel. Freight valued at \$125,000 was removed from the holds of the steamship Knight of St. George at Sydney, N. S. W. Capt. Stephens says the Knight of St. George still lies on Tonga Island, a pile of useless junk.

COUNCIL FAILS TO AGGREGATE QUORUM

Meeting Has to Be Abandoned—Absentees Censured by Mayor and Ald. Gleason

"When pleasure interferes with work, quit work," is an old and well-worn maxim of the laudable philosophy which the hustling spirit of the west has not yet succeeded in expiating from the pages of its dog-logue; for it was revived Friday night, not only in word but in spirit as a result of an abortive attempt to hold a meeting of the city council at the usual session. As a punishment for the absence of the members of the council, including the mayor, appeared on the scene to take part in what was anticipated as an important session. As a punishment for the absence of the members of the council, including the mayor, appeared on the scene to take part in what was anticipated as an important session.

The hour, after which it is impossible for the council to convene legally, is 8:15 p.m., and when that time arrived last night with no further assurances around the chamber the mayor accepted the inevitable and called the meeting off. In doing so he expressed his regret at the absence of the others as he regarded the occasion of great importance. There were matters of paramount interest to the citizens on the agenda paper and delay in the consideration of these would greatly hamper their execution or so-called.

Ald. Gleason also had a kick at the absentees. He thought it was a great pity that those present could not hold a meeting and get along with the business of the city. In view of the accumulation of business now before the council it is likely that a special meeting as well as the ordinary one will be held next week. The special one will doubtless be called to consider the plans and specifications of the Sooke Lake water scheme which have been prepared by Wynn Meredith, the consulting engineer.

BUILDING FOR MONTH SHOWS BIG INCREASE

Steady Growth for Year Continues to Be Recorded in Building Inspector's Office

In a steady advance in the upbuilding of Victoria the month of November has not been behind the first ten months of the year, and for the eleven days recorded closed Saturday the building inspector's office in the city hall shows an increase over the same period of last year by \$110,540.

The actual amount of the permits issued to date this month is \$183,725, and for the first seventeen days of last November the amount was \$73,185. There is a continued increase every month, making a total increase of \$1,225,065 to the same date of last year of \$1,225,065. The figures to date this year are \$3,351,065, and for last year but \$2,026,000 was recorded. Also the total for the ten months and seventeen days of this year is well ahead of the total for the whole twelve months of 1910.

In the \$73,185 value of permits that have been issued during the month are four permits for stores, one for a large private school and the balance for residences in the suburbs. Robert Scott has received a permit to build two stores on Johnson street at a cost of \$15,000. Ewan, and Elliott are building stores costing \$10,500 on Cormorant street; R. J. Knott is building at \$7,500 on Mason street and a store costing \$5,500 is being built on View street for M. Laeman.

The balance of the permits is divided into two parts, \$27,550 going for the St. Margaret's school building and the balance of the amount for four houses now in course of erection.

FRISCO'S MARINE NEWS. Pauko Makes Record Passage From Newcastle, Aus.—Announces Charters.

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—Making the fastest voyage of the year from Newcastle, Aus., the crack Hind, Rolph & Co., barquentine Pauko, Capt. Pederson, winged into port the other day bringing 58 days on the run. The record was held by the British ship Polaris, which arrived a few days ago, after a voyage of 68 days from the Antipodes. The Pauko brought coal to Hind, Rolph & Co.

San Francisco, Nov. 17.—The French barque Chateau Briand was chartered yesterday by Balfour, Guthrie & Co. to load redwood at Eureka for the United Kingdom. This vessel, the fourth of her kind, is this kind loaded at Eureka this year. Comyn, Mackell & Co. have already dispatched the Murechal de Villiers at the terminals, both French vessels, and will send one more before the year is out. The Chateaubriand left Glasgow 319 days ago, but had to spend five months repairing at St. Nazaire. She sailed from Hobart on September 1, and is due here now. The ship Arvan, chartered by the Pacific Coast Coal Company to bring coal out from Baltimore, gets a rate of \$3. This compares very favorably with \$4 paid for foreign ships. Meyer, Wilson & Co. have chartered a French ship Anaree at \$2.50 per general cargo from Antwerp to this port.

ACCOMMODATION FOR IMMEDIATE

JUBILEE DIRECTORS DISCUSS QUESTION

Hospital Board Met Last Evening and Dealt With Monthly Business—Matron's Report

The board of directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital at their meeting Friday night expressed their approval of the suggestion of Dr. Ernest Hall made in a letter to the hospital council and that there should be taken to provide accommodation for cases of lebricites or chronic alcoholism before they could be certified insane, and thus prevent them being herded in the city lock-up. The drafting of a resolution was left to the executive.

R. S. Day introduced the subject to the notice of the board, and while the consensus of opinion was that the hospital could not be expected to provide this accommodation without further funds, they were in hearty accord with the movement, it being pointed out that the matter was one for the city council and that there was room for a small building for such purposes on the grounds of the Isolation hospital.

Dr. Hasell observed that the Medical Society were memorializing the city council on the matter, and had also adopted a resolution of similar tenor to be submitted to the government. Among the items of the house committee's report was one recommending the board to secure the services of a pathologist. In support of this recommendation Dr. Hasell said at the present time the hospital medical staff had no time to make such examinations and when they had to be made in the special cases, it was necessary to send to Vancouver to the General Hospital.

They badly needed a pathologist, and the suggestion was to allow him to do outside work for the doctors, the board to take part of the fees thus received. In the course of the discussion it transpired that the laboratory at the Jubilee Hospital is the only one of the island and while the directors expressed themselves in favor of the engagement of a pathologist, in view of lack of sufficient information, on the suggestion of the president, Dr. E. Campbell, before taking any action, the secretary was instructed to communicate with some of the principal colleges in the east, and find out if a suitable man could be obtained, and the salary to be offered him.

Another item of the same report gave rise to some discussion, this being the need of adequate laundry facilities, and the secretary was instructed to prepare a report on the matter, either a plant with modern appliances, or else a modern steam laundry. The board united in the opinion that it was a doubtful proposition to put in a steam plant when the time was coming for a new hospital building, in which case the laundry would be in the basement, and the steam provided by the boilers utilized to operate the laundry machinery.

The board also decided to make an offer for the surgical instruments of the late Dr. Davis, to the executors of his will, and also to buy a pressure sterilizer for the operating room. The secretary reported that the salaries for the month of October were \$1,554.25 and accounts to the amount of \$3,539.70 were passed for payment. The secretary's report stated that three applications had been received for admission to the nurses training school, and one probationer nurse had been engaged.

During the month 121 patients have been admitted, and 127 discharged. Six deaths have taken place. The daily average of patients was 81.06. Donations to the hospital were received from Mrs. Davis (who chairs), Mrs. Landsberg, Miss Hanington, Mr. G. A. Morphy, and Miss Carr. The members of the board present were: D. E. Campbell, president; J. W. Bowen, vice-president; Dr. E. Campbell, secretary; J. W. Vincent, Simon Leiser, J. A. Mara, H. E. Newton, and A. Wilson, and the secretary, F. E. Morton.

BODY CAST ASHORE AT MURDERER'S DOOR

Man Surrenders to Sheriff and Confesses His Guilt

Escanaba, Mich., Nov. 18.—The body of a murdered man which drifted five miles from where the crime was committed, and was cast up by the waves before the door of the murderer on the shore of Lake Michigan, caused a confession here to-day. Alvin Fogarty was killed October 18. He has been missing since that date at least. Two men were being held for his murder, when Alvin Lindquist came into the sheriff's office to-day and asked to be arrested on a charge of murder. He said he had killed Fogarty and confessed that he had followed the five miles along the lake and I found him staring at my hut with accusing eyes when I went to fish to-day. He was too much for me. I want to confess and get away from those staring eyes."

The two men who had been held for the crime were released. It looks as if it would be easy for other people to be good.

DUNCAN HOSPITAL TO BE ENLARGED

Plan of Addition Approved—Ball in Aid of Institution Thursday

Duncan, Nov. 17.—A meeting of the board of directors of the Convalescent Home and Emergency hospital, Duncan, was held on Wednesday morning last with Miss Letich, from Victoria, in the chair, in the absence of F. H. Matfield-Dougal. H. Wilson, the subject for the addition to be built, presented plans which were approved, with one or two modifications, and the building committee instructed to go on with the work. The financial statement showed 212 hospital days during October, with receipts and expenditures almost even. The scale of charges is to be printed for the guidance of patients. The rates have been fixed at as nearly as possible the actual cost. "The first hospital ball in aid of the Convalescent Home and Emergency hospital is to take place on Thursday, November 23, in the Knights of Pythias hall. Mrs. W. H. Hayward has very kindly taken charge of all arrangements with a number of strong committees to help. The music will be supplied by the Duncan orchestra, and elaborate supper is being given by the ladies of the district. The tickets placed on sale in different parts of the district have been almost all sold. The dancing will begin at 8.30 p.m., and a record crowd will probably be in attendance."

Mr. and Mrs. Odgers have taken over the management of the Tzouhaleim hotel, which is owned by Messrs. P. and E. Price. This hotel will shortly be opened with twenty new bedrooms. The present sitting rooms are being enlarged and new ones added, also new barroom, billiard room, sample rooms and barber shop. The Cowichan County Club recently organized, opened club rooms at the beginning of the month, and already has a membership of almost a hundred men. G. S. Rothwell is at present acting as honorary secretary. The club building consists of reading and writing rooms, smoking room, dining room and ladies' sitting room. The appointments and furnishings are very neat and comfortable, and the club members are justly proud of their quarters.

WILL BUILD NEW CHURCH.

Vancouver, Nov. 17.—Permission to borrow the sum of \$12,000 towards the erection of a new church was given to the North Vancouver congregation at the regular meeting of the Westminster Presbyterian, held in St. Andrew's church. For some months the North Vancouver Presbyterians have been considering the erection of a new church. Now that they have received permission from the Presbytery they will most likely take steps towards raising the required funds at once.

Deep regret was expressed at the death of the Rev. Dr. Carmichael, late superintendent for the home missions in Manitoba, and a motion of condolence was passed, to be forwarded to the bereaved family. Fitting references were made to the devoted labors of the late Principal Patrick, and a motion of appreciation was unanimously carried.

ACTING MAGISTRATE C. J. PRIOR THIS MORNING DISMISSED THE CHARGE BROUGHT AGAINST M. A. HESSEN, LICENSEE OF THE LELAND HOTEL, DOUGLAS STREET, OF HAVING INFRINGED THE ACT REGULATING THE SALE OF LIQUOR TO A CHILD.

Mr. Prior, in giving his decision held over from yesterday, said that however reprehensible the act of the mother might be in sending her six-year-old child to a saloon, there was, nevertheless, no infringement of the provisions of the act. The sale of law was made to the mother of the child upon the mother's written order, and the child presented to the saloon keeper, and this disclosed her agency in the sale. The intent of the sections of the liquor act, he held, was to prevent the sale of liquor to a minor, and under the circumstances, as shown by the prosecution, he thought the accused was entitled to a dismissal.

The charge arose out of the fact that a six-year-old girl was sent with a note and 25 cents to the saloon keeper to bring two bottles of beer for a neighbor. The child was seen by the saloon keeper, who instituted the prosecution.

The chief of police said, after the decision this morning, that despite the result he would take action whenever similar circumstances occurred. City-Prosecutor Lowe said this morning that an appeal will be taken. Four offenders under the Automobile law were fined. M. J. Rattenbury paid \$5 for having no side-light on his machine; Cyril G. Owen and S. R. Bowden were each fined \$20 for speeding; George Fulland was fined \$5 for having no light on his machine at night; and S. R. Bowden paid \$10 for driving a machine without a license number attached thereto.

MAY ENLARGE SCHOOL

New Westminster, Nov. 17.—The Board of School Trustees held a lengthy session on the occasion of their postponed regular meeting which lasted until one o'clock in the morning, but although the time was mainly occupied in discussing the burning question of accommodation no definite decision was arrived at. Apart from the fact that the Sapperton school will no longer be completed than it will be overcrowded, if the present plan of building only eight rooms is executed, the trustees are well aware that by completing this portion and then adding other four rooms will cost about \$2,000 more than would be the case were a building of the additional four rooms gone on with now while the main building is still in course of erection.

The inability of the city council to provide the required money for this work, however, has placed the trustees in an awkward predicament, and a tentative suggestion was made at the meeting that some arrangement be made with the contractor whereby he would proceed with the work of building the additional four rooms, leaving the board to devise some means later whereby the money can be raised.

WEST VICTORIA BEING IN THE RUNNING

Inspection of the Port Commission

Western cities, says with regard to the Panama Canal route: "There is a vast amount of interest manifested in the East regarding the opening of the Panama Canal and possibilities of trade between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts." While in New York city, Capt. Gibson spent considerable time visiting steamship owners and operators, and while no formal announcement has been made regarding the operation of lines between the Atlantic and Pacific, the air is charged with inquiries of all kinds concerning the possibilities for business.

"Inquiries regarding the Pacific coast, and especially what the ports that will follow the completion of the canal were numerous everywhere." In many instances I learned that representatives of big eastern steamship interests have been on the coast and have made quite a study regarding the conditions. The business is coming, and our ports must be in a position to care for the business.

"I want to say another thing and that is this. If the port commission wants to do something that will benefit Seattle it must get down to work and do something besides talk. Situated as we are, it is absolutely necessary for us to have plenty of modern docks, and even though the port commission does not hurry this thing along big companies that will operate here will provide their own docks. In my mind both Seattle and Tacoma will become wonderful ports, and I hope that the people are well spirited enough to see that both ports are equipped sufficiently well to take care of all business offering."

"While I know nothing definite I believe that the International Mercantile Marine will be operating a fleet between the Atlantic and Pacific ports when the canal is ready for business. I am told that in this company will be one of the bidders for the mail contract to be let this month. This is one of the strongest companies, financially, in the world, and its coming to the Pacific coast will, in my opinion, mean a great deal. Besides this big company there are a number of other steamship companies figuring on entering this trade."

WILL BUILD NEW CHURCH.

Vancouver, Nov. 17.—Permission to borrow the sum of \$12,000 towards the erection of a new church was given to the North Vancouver congregation at the regular meeting of the Westminster Presbyterian, held in St. Andrew's church. For some months the North Vancouver Presbyterians have been considering the erection of a new church. Now that they have received permission from the Presbytery they will most likely take steps towards raising the required funds at once.

Deep regret was expressed at the death of the Rev. Dr. Carmichael, late superintendent for the home missions in Manitoba, and a motion of condolence was passed, to be forwarded to the bereaved family. Fitting references were made to the devoted labors of the late Principal Patrick, and a motion of appreciation was unanimously carried.

RUN DOWN BY AUTO.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 18.—Miss Bertha Schrader, private secretary to Dr. Charles F. Aked, pastor of the First Congregational church of this city, was run down and probably fatally injured yesterday by an automobile driven by a woman. Miss Schrader had just alighted from a street car when the machine came up behind her and knocked her down. The automobile did not stop.

FLOODS IN STATE OF WASHINGTON

Bellingham Without Through Train Service—Rivers Rising

Bellingham, Wash., Nov. 18.—Bellingham is without through train service to-day owing to floods in the Stillaguamish valley, south of this city. The Northern Pacific discontinued its service yesterday on the line entering this city and on the Sumas-Seattle line.

INVESTIGATION OF PORTER COLLISION

Inspectors to Take Evidence Shortly at Portland—No Mention of Mate's Death

Portland, Ore., Nov. 18.—Investigation into the collision of the tank steamer schooner, W. S. Porter, and the tug, Warner, at Pillar Rock, on the lower Columbia, Monday night, whereby the latter was partially sunk and drifted ashore in a waterlogged condition will be started by Inspectors Edwards and Fuller as soon as the crew of the Westerner can come to Portland, which may be in a day or two. The hearing will not be concluded until the Porter returns from San Francisco, which will be the latter part of the month.

In the written report of the accident which have been received by the inspectors from the pilots and officers of the other vessel, nothing was said of Gus Svart, second mate of the Westerner, who was missing and is supposed to have been drowned. Just prior to the collision it has been learned from other sources that Svart was standing on the forecastle head of the Westerner, he fell into the river there is a bare possibility that he managed to float ashore on a piece of lumber carried overboard.

The official statement of Captain S. Short, pilot of the Westerner, says that one of the tiller ropes or chains was carried away when the ship struck. Porter was coming about a mile astern, when he was bringing his vessel to anchor. He says the danger signal was sounded, but Porter kept on way. The Westerner was headed toward the Washington shore when the Porter struck her on the starboard side about midnight.

Mysterious Disappearance of New Westminster, Nov. 17.—What happened to John Moore? Is a question that is being asked by residents in the city who have a mind for mysteries, and the answers which this question brings forth are unsatisfactory in the last degree. Less than two months ago Moore, who was a car conductor in the employ of the B. C. E. R. Company, was reported missing on an evening fishing trip to the Vedder river, and since that date nothing has been heard of him. When he did not return the following day inquiries were made, as regards the whereabouts of Moore, were organized, the provincial police notified, and a thorough search was made up and down stream.

No success attended the search, and the man's friends in Ontario were notified. It is generally accepted in every part of the city that Moore has slipped into the river and been drowned. The unsatisfactory part of this solution, however, lies in the fact that Moore was generally reported to be in the city, but not the slightest trace has ever been found, with the exception of the shoes which he took off and laid on the bank, preparatory to donning his waders.

The alternative theory, that he wandered into the bush and was lost is scarcely tenable, as the country in the vicinity of the Vedder is fairly well populated, and since a hunting season opened has been quartered in every direction by hunters and their dogs. It is possible, of course, that Moore has left the country, without troubling to announce his departure to anyone, a supposition that is possible in view of the fact that he has no near relatives or friends in the city. In which case the mystery is likely to remain unsolved.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Nanaimo, Nov. 17.—The most successful year in the history of the Nanaimo Agricultural Society was brought to a close last evening when the annual general meeting was held in the city hall. The balance sheet showed an adopted and officers elected for the new term. It will be remembered that during the year the society erected exhibition grounds at a cost of over \$10,000, and while the balance sheet shows a surplus of \$42.75, this does not include the building fund, which lacks \$5,000 of the amount required to clear off all indebtedness.

The new officers and board of directors were elected as follows: President, Joseph Booth; vice-president, Thomas Cunningham; treasurer, E. H. Birrell; secretary, A. Sid Tyrer; directors, Messrs. F. Gordon, Dr. Ross, H. Hunter, C. G. Stevens, J. M. Shaw, A. E. Mainwaring, A. E. Planta, T. Hodgson, E. S. Cook, W. Newbury, J. Dickinson, John Stewart, A. Fraser, Wm. Tippett, and J. H. Good.

DONATION TO NANAIMO CLUB.

Nanaimo, Nov. 17.—That Samuel M. Robins, a former well-known resident of this city, has not forgotten Nanaimo is evidenced by the receipt yesterday of a \$200 cheque to the building fund of the Athletic club. Nanaimo never had a more liberal citizen than Mr. Robins, who on many occasions, contributed royally to public institutions and charity. Sporting men of the city have reason to feel grateful for his donations on behalf of cricket and football, and by his grant to the Athletic club his interest in the young men of Nanaimo is again demonstrated.

UNFOUNDED REPORT.

Danzig, Germany, Nov. 18.—There is no truth in the report widely circulated yesterday that Crown Prince Frederick William had been ordered to undergo a month's detention for his public display of opposition to the government's settlement of the Franco-German controversy over Morocco. It isn't safe to judge the world by your view of it.

WARRIORS OF ALBERTA

AGENT NEILL HIS ANN

Their Occupation—Discusses His Cha

In his annual report of Indian Affairs of the West Coast speaks as follows of the warriors of Alberta: Location of Agency tends from Otter Point distance of some 20 miles from coast of Vancouver.

Tribe of Nation—agency belong to the comprise at present there are much interested parties which have been paid. Reserves.—The 18th agency have 160 reservations, aggregating about 5 acres per head. There are only 100 acres located in Alberta, including band and containing the other at Sarina, Chiat band and containing the area of the small, varying from acres each. The reserves are rocky on the whole, and are given as a village sites or small patches of land.

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Evidence No Death... Investigation... Captain S. Ermer...

INDIANS OF THE ALBERTA AGENCY

AGENT NEILL MAKES HIS ANNUAL REPORT

Their Occupation and Habits—Discusses Morality of His Charges

In his annual report to the Department of Indian Affairs, Alan W. Neill, of the West Coast agency, at Alberni, speaks as follows of the several bands under his care...

CHALCESNAH BAND—The principal reserve of this band and their winter home is at Acous in Battle Bay...

NITINAH BAND—The three main villages of this band are named Wyah, Claocose, and Carmanah...

PACHEENAH BAND—The principal reserve of this band and where the Indians live at home, is named Pachena and is situated at the mouth of the San Juan river...

Population.—The population of the various bands enumerated above is as follows: Ahousait, 212; Clayoquot, 209; Chelchistat, 311; Chahkwa, 134; Hequahult, 139; Ichuckliet, 35; Kelesmat, 80; Kyuquot, 226; Matchlah, 52; Moachah, 135; Nitinah, 180; Noochahlat, 41; Oahat, 131; Opuquo, 209; Pachahat, 135; Toquoah, 24; Teseahat, 128; making a total of the agency of 1884.

Health and Sanitation.—The general health of the Indians has been good during the past year and there have been no epidemics of a serious character. A number of old people have died during the year, which has kept the death-roll of this band...

Occupations.—These Indians live by fishing for themselves and for canneries, by sealing-boats off-shore...

Buildings.—There is nothing of importance to record in regard to buildings. The constant decrease in the number of Indians does not encourage course encourage much building...

Characteristics and Progress.—The Indians are law-abiding and but seldom give any trouble in any open fractions of the law beyond occasionally indulging in liquor if it can be had...

Temperance and Morality.—As to whether these Indians could be called temperate, it can be decided if the opportunity were afforded to get as much liquor as they liked...

Fire at Nakusp.—Nakusp, Nov. 16.—A mysterious fire started in a railway warehouse owned by Thomas Adriel, completely wiped out the building and its contents...

Chilswick, Nov. 16.—The large modern dairy plant of C. E. Eckert, just completed on Sumas Prairie, Yarrow, at a cost of \$70,000, has been destroyed by fire.

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NEW LEADERS CALL TO ARMS

Bonar Law on Work Before Unionists

Urges Party to Oppose Welsh Disestablishment and Irish Home Rule

London, Nov. 17.—Andrew Bonar Law, the new Unionist leader, delivered his first speech last night, when he addressed a tremendous audience in Leeds. Referring to the Canadian election, he said that the election was, in his opinion, not only the remarkable event of the year in political circles of the British Empire, but may turn out, and he believed it would turn out, a landmark in the history of the world.

The controlling cause of the election was that Canadians believed, and he agreed, that President Taft was right when he said it was a case of how or never, because they believed that their decision then would settle finally whether Canada was to continue as an autonomous nation, becoming more closely united to the Empire...

It was an ignorant and impudent claim, he said, that the election did not bear the cause of preference. They were, and are, an emphatic reminder that reciprocity preference is the aim of Great Britain's autonomous dominions.

Mr. Law called on the Unionists to work for the turning out of the government; to fight against the disestablishment of the Anglican church in Wales and against Home Rule and for a tariff. He made mention of the government's abolition of the duty on wages. Though he did not pretend that the tariff was a cure for his ills, he held that it was a help for the greatest of them, namely, the chronic lack of employment for the working man.

Four Lose Their Lives in Storm.—Kamloops, Nov. 17.—The bodies of three unfortunates who were frozen to death in the hills during the storm of Wednesday, November 8, while attempting to reach their home south of the city, were brought here by Constables Godesley and McClintock. The dead brought in were John Keefe, his wife, aged 11 years, and James Tronson, Keefe's brother-in-law. The body of another woman and the two children could not be found, though a search party braved the storm in a vain search. Snow lies from three to five feet deep near the scene of the tragedy and there is little hope of finding the girls' bodies before the snow melts.

The details of the tragedy will probably never be known, but from what can be learned the two men and the two children were on a front box with a boy. The body of a Mrs. Tronson was found in the snow a few feet from the sled, about two feet of snow being above and two feet below him. Keefe was in the seat of the bob, and the child huddled in a heap in a position as though vainly trying to keep warm. The child was warmly clad and probably lived some hours longer than the men. From the position of Keefe's body it appeared as though his last conscious moment was spent in an effort to get out of the sled.

Death by freezing was practically the verdict of the coroner's jury which inquired into the cause of death of the men and girls.

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WANGVEVER CUT ESTIMATES REDUCED

Board of Works Uses Pruning Knife Vigorously—New Paving Plant

Revelstoke for Next Meeting—Proceedings of the Closing Business Session

Vancouver, Nov. 18.—The civic pruning knife has started early in connection with the estimates for next year. At a meeting of the Board of Works the estimates submitted from the city engineers for \$3,333,000 for streets, sewers and new plant for the city was cut down to the sum of \$2,065,000, which was a good deal less than "one-third of the amount" estimated.

In regard to the clearing and rough grading of streets and lanes, and their regrading, planing, etc., the estimate of the city engineer came to \$3,143,950. The board pruned this down to \$927,000, the amount to be asked for next year's work in the department.

The city engineer reported it was apparent that this enormous work cannot be carried out in one season, but he wished to point out that whatever proportion may be allotted to the different sections of the city, it was quite apparent that some sections must go without these improvements. Nevertheless, if the council gave the necessary sanction, the streets and sewers were prepared to put up with the inconvenience of having the streets torn up this department was prepared to let contracts to cover, if not the whole, at least a portion of the work.

In regard to the sewers the estimate was: City, amount suggested, \$1,250,000; Hastings, \$2,000,000; D. L. 301, \$500,000, making a total of \$3,750,000, and in regard to this the city engineer stated that the council was aware that in making hold of this no complete design of a sewer system had been made.

The information, it was reported, has now been collected, and the plans were being developed, and it was hoped at the next meeting of the committee to bring down estimates for the construction of the trunk sewers which will serve Ward VI, or Kilsnoy, Bridge Street and China Creek, these being the main arteries, which must of necessity first be constructed before laterals can be put in.

It was the intention of the engineer to recommend that all large trunk sewers be constructed under contract, and that the majority of the sewers be built by labor. In this way he hoped to reduce the intolerable conditions that existed at present.

Without going into the matter of the estimate, the amounts for the city and the other districts, the board placed the amount at \$1,000,000, to include them all.

In regard to new plant in connection with the handling of paving work, etc., and to put the city in a position as to be independent of the contractors, that is, to enable them to compete, if necessary, against the contractors, or if necessary to relieve them of the contract, if they do not live up to their obligations, the city engineer advised that equipment be provided to include wharfs, slips, stone bunkers, asphalt plant, concrete mixer, etc., and that the total amount come to \$140,000. The board approved the provision of the equipment, and it was stated that it was asked for in consequence of the inability to estimate first by the contractors, but that those who had contracted for the work had been equipped and the unnecessary delays which as a result have occurred.

Another substantial cut was also made in the estimate for the new water works. Committee, when a proposed by-law for ordinary waterworks extensions was reduced from \$385,260 to a level amount of \$300,000.

Summerland Apple Show.—Summerland, Nov. 16.—A large and enthusiastic group of members of the Summerland Agricultural Association met recently at the hotel for the show and arrange plans for next season's fair.

Early in the meeting the president, C. J. Thomson, made the announcement that the one year commission system could not be surpassed. Running a city was a business in itself, and when a city got as big as this it demanded first-class trained servants and nowhere more than in the men responsible for spending the people's money. It was the trained men they did not get now and had more chance of getting under the commission for a lot of government.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. McDiarmid on motion of Ald. Enright, Vancouver, and Mayor Lee, New Westminster.

Reeve Weart, Burnaby, moved that the government be asked to enact legislation to enable any municipality to adopt the commission form of government.

Reeve McNaught, North Vancouver district, seconding this, suggested that there should be a course in civic government in the new provincial university.

Mayor Morley did not know that a university course was necessary, but long experience combined with it would produce the best results.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

FOR PLANT IS PRESIDENT AGAIN

Municipal Union Officers for the Year

Revelstoke for Next Meeting—Proceedings of the Closing Business Session

The most successful convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities was brought to a close so far as business was concerned last yesterday afternoon, when Revelstoke was selected as the next place of meeting, and the following officers were elected:

President—Mayor A. E. Planta, Nanaimo, re-elected by acclamation. Vice-president—Mayor Lee, New Westminster. Mayor, re-elected by acclamation by a standing vote.

Executive committee—Mayor Hamilton, Revelstoke; Mayor Dick, Mission; Ald. Enright, Vancouver; Reeve McNaught, North Vancouver district; Reeve Weart, Burnaby; Reeve Pound, South Vancouver; Mayor McNeil, North Vancouver city.

Greetings from W. D. Lighthall, Montreal, honorary secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, were conveyed by Mayor Lee on behalf of Mayor Taylor, Vancouver, who was unable to be present.

City Solicitor McDiarmid said that civic government under the Municipal Clauses Act divided itself into two branches, legislative and administrative. There was not to be found through the common law of the State any general body of municipal legislation, and court decisions could be found on both sides of every question that could arise.

In this province councils were so fact the council had little to legislate outside such things as building by-laws or a streets regulation by-law, and even there the Attorney-General had taken away from them the power to regulate motor traffic. Practically they had no authority to initiate any legislation. In the matter of sinking funds, license affairs, education and the like councils were bound down by hard and fast rules which were imposed upon them. They assessed and collected taxes which were spent by school boards, library boards, park boards, police boards and other bodies which they had no control.

Taking Victoria as an instance, the revenue this year was \$1,563,000, of which \$750,000 was uncontrollable expenditure for the present council, and the balance of \$813,000 was available for the council to spend as they saw fit.

The men elected to councils had little time to devote to a business that needed a man's whole time; the better business man he was the less time he had. Practically civic government today was by paid city officials who had no authority and for whose actions the councils had to take the blame. There was inefficiency in civic government by the council system because of the once-a-week meetings, the lack of knowledge on the part of aldermen, the character of the aldermen and the frequent change of personnel. The pernicious ward system landed men in office whom possibly the whole city would never see, and who were elected by a board of control, but there also the council, having nothing else to do, inevitably interfered in executive work.

There was, too, the nagging of the press, which gave accounts of the sensational things but nothing of the great amount of work done in between the aldermen, telling one another how this or that should be done.

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WANGVEVER WILL TRY COMMISSION

Council of Five to Run Civic Affairs

Terminal City Gives Notice of Intention to Apply for Legislation

By a coincidence the meeting here of the Union of B. C. Municipalities, with its discussions of the commission form of civic government and its deliverance in favor of that form, closed just as the provincial gazette was being published with the advertisement of Vancouver's intention of applying to the legislature next session for such amendments to its charter as will enable it to carry out the desire expressed at last municipal election to put this system into operation in this city.

It is proposed that all power in civic matters shall be exercised by, through and under the direction of a mayor and four aldermen, who will constitute a council, subject to the control and direction of the electors at all times by the initiative, referendum and recall. The term of mayor is to be two years and of aldermen four years. The first election will take place in January, 1913, the two aldermen receiving the lowest vote then holding office for two years and thereafter two aldermen being elected every two years.

The mayor and aldermen shall each devote his entire time and attention to the duties of his office and the service of the city and for this the mayor shall receive a salary of \$10,000 and the aldermen \$7,500 each. They must each give a bond of \$25,000 against malfeasance in office, approved as to its sufficiency by the chief justice of British Columbia.

The council has to hold at least one legislative session in each week and must meet daily, except on Sundays and holidays, for the transaction of civic business.

In the voting for this commission the system of proportional voting is to be introduced. Where the number of candidates for any office is more than three times the number to be elected the "selective or three-choice" ballot is to be used. In the first-choice column the elector is to make a cross for the full number of men to be elected, in the second-choice column for the full or any smaller number of candidates in the first-choice column for any number of the other candidates. He must not vote for any candidate in more than one column, but errors in the second and third columns will not spoil his vote in the first column. The vote will be counted in the manner in which has been described in the Times more than once in dealing with this system of voting.

The initiative shall be exercised by petition of at least 25 per cent of the total number of votes cast at the previous election, accompanied by the proposed legislation in the form of a by-law which shall have first been submitted to the city solicitor and approved by him as to form. If the council do not pass this within forty days it must submit the proposal to a vote of the people within six months. Fifteen per cent of the vote can secure this procedure when the petition is filed at least sixty days before the next municipal election. If at the final passage of any by-law two members of the council demand it, it shall not go into effect for ten days, and if within that time a 25 per cent petition is received the council must reconsider its action and should it not repeal the measure, must submit it to a popular vote at the next municipal or at a special election, but it is provided that there shall not be more than one special election under either initiative or referendum in any period of six months.

Recall is provided for on the petition of 25 per cent of the total vote for mayor at the previous election or 12 per cent of the total electorate, whichever is greater, and a special election must be held not less than forty nor more than sixty days before the receipt of the petition. At this the man sought to be removed shall be a candidate without nomination, unless he files notice that he refuses with the clerk ten days before the date fixed for the election. Two or more aldermen or the mayor and one or more aldermen may be joined in one petition for removal.

The fact that the city across the gulf is going to change its system of municipal government does not seem to obviate its necessity for numerous amendments to its special charter, notice of these being nearly as many as in any previous session since the charter was first granted. One of these will give the aldermen of 1912, the last under the old system, a salary of \$1,200 instead of the \$400 hitherto enjoyed.

CRANBROOK CURLING CLUB.—Cranbrook, Nov. 18.—The curling club held a most enthusiastic meeting at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, D. J. Johnson; vice-president, A. C. Brown; secretary, D. D. McLaws; treasurer, J. A. Arnold; executive committee, E. H. Small, Dr. F. B. Miles, Joe Jackson; ice committee, A. C. Brown; Cass, Hogarth, Judge Wilson, official umpire, J. Cholditch; chaplain, Rev. C. O. Melf; delegates to annual meeting of B. C. Curling Association, Judge Wilson and J. G. McCallum.

Preparations are now well under way for putting the rink in proper shape so that curling may commence at the earliest possible moment.

DIES SUDDENLY.—Nome, Nov. 17.—A report received from Outer Creek says that T. Dingwall, a well-known mining man, dropped dead of heart failure.

HAIR HEALTH.—Take Advantage of This Generous Offer.—Your money back upon request at our store if Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic doesn't do as we claim. That's our guarantee. You obligate yourself to nothing whatever. Could you ask of us could we give you stronger proof of our confidence in the hair restoring qualities of this preparation?

We could not afford to do so strongly endorse Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic and continue to sell it as we do, if it did not do all we claim it will. Should our enthusiasm have carried us away, and Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic give entire satisfaction to the users, they would lose faith in us and our statements, and in consequence our business prestige would suffer.

We assure you that if your hair is beginning to naturally fall out or if you have any scalp trouble, Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic will promptly eradicate dandruff, stimulate hair growth, and prevent premature baldness. The above guarantee becomes operative. Two sizes, 50c and \$1.00. Sold only at our store, The Rexall Store, J. E. Campbell Drug Company, corner Fort and Douglas streets.

DIED SUDDENLY.—Portland, Ore., Nov. 17.—Sarah McCoy, aged 24, until seven weeks ago a sample of Drug Company, was found dead in bed at her home in this city. A red spot on the right side of her face aroused some suspicions as to the manner of her death, but a post-mortem examination showed that the young woman died of natural causes.

Real Estate Plans.—In order to safeguard the interests of those at a distance from real estate in North Vancouver, the board of directors of the North Vancouver Board of Works has called the attention of the government to the necessity of giving the showing comfort lines of the configuration of the ground and any ra-

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Council of Five to Run Civic Affairs

Terminal City Gives Notice of Intention to Apply for Legislation

By a coincidence the meeting here of the Union of B. C. Municipalities, with its discussions of the commission form of civic government and its deliverance in favor of that form, closed just as the provincial gazette was being published with the advertisement of Vancouver's intention of applying to the legislature next session for such amendments to its charter as will enable it to carry out the desire expressed at last municipal election to put this system into operation in this city.

It is proposed that all power in civic matters shall be exercised by, through and under the direction of a mayor and four aldermen, who will constitute a council, subject to the control and direction of the electors at all times by the initiative, referendum and recall. The term of mayor is to be two years and of aldermen four years. The first election will take place in January, 1913, the two aldermen receiving the lowest vote then holding office for two years and thereafter two aldermen being elected every two years.

The mayor and aldermen shall each devote his entire time and attention to the duties of his office and the service of the city and for this the mayor shall receive a salary of \$10,000 and the aldermen \$7,500 each. They must each give a bond of \$25,000 against malfeasance in office, approved as to its sufficiency by the chief justice of British Columbia.

The council has to hold at least one legislative session in each week and must meet daily, except on Sundays and holidays, for the transaction of civic business.

In the voting for this commission the system of proportional voting is to be introduced. Where the number of candidates for any office is more than three times the number to be elected the "selective or three-choice" ballot is to be used. In the first-choice column the elector is to make a cross for the full number of men to be elected, in the second-choice column for the full or any smaller number of candidates in the first-choice column for any number of the other candidates. He must not vote for any candidate in more than one column, but errors in the second and third columns will not spoil his vote in the first column. The vote will be counted in the manner in which has been described in the Times more than once in dealing with this system of voting.

The initiative shall be exercised by petition of at least 25 per cent of the total number of votes cast at the previous election, accompanied by the proposed legislation in the form of a by-law which shall have first been submitted to the city solicitor and approved by him as to form. If the council do not pass this within forty days it must submit the proposal to a vote of the people within six months. Fifteen per cent of the vote can secure this procedure when the petition is filed at least sixty days before the next municipal election. If at the final passage of any by-law two members of the council demand it, it shall not go into effect for ten days, and if within that time a 25 per cent petition is received the council must reconsider its action and should it not repeal the measure, must submit it to a popular vote at the next municipal or at a special election, but it is provided that there shall not be more than one special election under either initiative or referendum in any period of six months.

Recall is provided for on the petition of 25 per cent of the total vote for mayor at the previous election or 12 per cent of the total electorate, whichever is greater, and a special election must be held not less than forty nor more than sixty days before the receipt of the petition. At this the man sought to be removed shall be a candidate without nomination, unless he files notice that he refuses with the clerk ten days before the date fixed for the election. Two or more aldermen or the mayor and one or more aldermen may be joined in one petition for removal.

The fact that the city across the gulf is going to change its system of municipal government does not seem to obviate its necessity for numerous amendments to its special charter, notice of these being nearly as many as in any previous session since the charter was first granted. One of these will give the aldermen of 1912, the last under the old system, a salary of \$1,200 instead of the \$400 hitherto enjoyed.

CRANBROOK CURLING CLUB.—Cranbrook, Nov. 18.—The curling club held a most enthusiastic meeting at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, D. J. Johnson; vice-president, A. C. Brown; secretary, D. D. McLaws; treasurer, J. A. Arnold; executive committee, E. H. Small, Dr. F. B. Miles, Joe Jackson; ice committee, A. C. Brown; Cass, Hogarth, Judge Wilson, official umpire, J. Cholditch; chaplain, Rev. C. O. Melf; delegates to annual meeting of B. C. Curling Association, Judge Wilson and J. G. McCallum.

Preparations are now well under way for putting the rink in proper shape so that curling may commence at the earliest possible moment.

DIES SUDDENLY.—Nome, Nov. 17.—A report received from Outer Creek says that T. Dingwall, a well-known mining man, dropped dead of heart failure.

HAIR HEALTH.—Take Advantage of This Generous Offer.—Your money back upon request at our store if Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic doesn't do as we claim. That's our guarantee. You obligate yourself to nothing whatever. Could you ask of us could we give you stronger proof of our confidence in the hair restoring qualities of this preparation?

We could not afford to do so strongly endorse Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic and continue to sell it as we do, if it did not do all we claim it will. Should our enthusiasm have carried us away, and Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic give entire satisfaction to the users, they would lose faith in us and our statements, and in consequence our business prestige would suffer.

We assure you that if your hair is beginning to naturally fall out or if you have any scalp trouble, Rexall's "33" Hair Tonic will promptly eradicate dandruff, stimulate hair growth, and prevent premature baldness. The above guarantee becomes operative. Two sizes, 50c and \$1.00. Sold only at our store, The Rexall Store, J. E. Campbell Drug Company, corner Fort and Douglas streets.

DIED SUDDENLY.—Portland, Ore., Nov. 17.—Sarah McCoy, aged 24, until seven weeks ago a sample of Drug Company, was found dead in bed at her home in this city. A red spot on the right side of her face aroused some suspicions as to the manner of her death, but a post-mortem examination showed that the young woman died of natural causes.

Real Estate Plans.—In order to safeguard the interests of those at a distance from real estate in North Vancouver, the board of directors of the North Vancouver Board of Works has called the attention of the government to the necessity of giving the showing comfort lines of the configuration of the ground and any ra-

NATIVE SONS HOLD ENJOYABLE DANCE

FUNCTION ECLIPSES ALL PREVIOUS EVENTS Alexandra Club the Scene of Twelfth Ball Given by Post No. 1

There's a health to the native born. For several years past the Victoria post of the Native Sons of British Columbia held an annual ball, and this has become one of the social events of the season in the Capital City Friday evening the twelfth of these functions was held in the handsome ballroom of the Alexandra Club, and it is all of the long line of its predecessors. To begin with, of course, it was being held in a building which was more suited for such an event than the work of the committee in charge of the arrangements easier and meant that the result of their labors was more apparent in the perfection of every detail.

The ballroom is so fine an apartment in itself that it needs little if anything from the hand of the decorator. Flowers, plants and bunting tastefully but sparingly used, however, added to the general effect. The sitting-out corners and rooms were bowled over with a wealth of blooms. In view of the unpropitious nature of the weather a temporary canopy had been constructed from the edge of the sidewalk to the ground floor entrance of the club and this was greatly appreciated by the guests, who thus were sheltered in getting from their cars to the door. The stairway leading to the ballroom was lined with flowers and bright with plants. There were cardrooms for those who did not care to dance.

There were over four hundred guests present and one and all agreed that the affair could not have been more enjoyable. For this success credit must be largely given to the committee, of which Ald. W. C. Moresby was chairman, Reginald Hayward, the secretary and Henry G. Dalby the treasurer.

The floor was in perfect condition and a lengthy programme of dances was carried out, the music for which was arranged by Miss Thain and conducted by a largely augmented orchestra led by Louis N. Curtis, of Seattle. The following was the programme:

- 1. Waltz Jolly Fellows
2. Two-Step Who Are You With Tonight
3. Waltz Bright Eyes
4. Lancers College Songs
5. Two-Step The Ocean Roll
6. Waltz The Pink Lady
7. Barn Every Evening
8. Two-Step Alexander's Rag Time Band
9. Three-Step Rittersport Larkspur
10. Waltz Dreams, Joy Dreams
11. Waltz A Wee Bit of Scotch
12. Two-Step Spring, Beautiful Spring
13. Two-Step Casey Jones
14. Barn The Silvery Moon
15. Two-Step The Spring Maid
16. Two-Step High Jinks
17. Waltz The Red Mill
18. Two-Step Billy
19. Barn The Sun
20. Three-Step Reception - P. Hall, Dr. J. D. Helmsken, J. S. Yates, W. C. Moresby, J. E. Wilson, T. Watson, W. H. Langley, G. T. Fox, J. Fletcher, E. E. Woodton, W. A. Lawson and E. H. Henly.
21. Floor W. H. Langley, S. Yates, J. A. McTavish, W. C. Moresby, H. Brown, F. N. J. White, C. E. Wilson and S. Child.

VICTORIA WOMEN'S CLUB

Was Organized Friday Afternoon - Quarters to Be Secured.

The Victoria Women's Club was yesterday organized at the instigation of the diligent workers of the Political Equality League. At the meeting called Friday afternoon in the Equality League rooms, much of the important business of the new club was gone over - its name was decided upon, and the various members of the league were called upon to give a summary of their efforts in increasing the membership. Mrs. R. S. Day occupied the chair.

Addresses were given by the following: Mrs. Day, Mrs. Donald, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Baer, Miss Brown and Mrs. Gordon Grant. Their reports were most satisfactory and encouraging. Mrs. Adams, president of the Y. W. C. A., was called upon and gave a brief outline of the work done by that association. It was moved by Mrs. Baer and seconded by Mrs. Grant that a number of circulars relative to the club should be issued and sent to interested parties. Rooms at the corner of Ford and Douglas, formerly occupied by Dr. Thomas, will be secured at once. Mrs. Day was called upon to draft a constitution, different phases of which were discussed at length. A general meeting will be held in order shortly, and different committees will act pro tem until the election.

IN TOUCH WITH AGENT-GENERAL

Large Demands Made on Literature at Salisbury House, London, at the office of Hon. J. E. Purser, agent-general for British Columbia, that the secretary, in acknowledging receipt of a large consignment, intimates that more will be acceptable. The calls on the stock of the Vancouver Island Development League is, however, so large now that it will be some little time before more can be sent.

FRUIT EXPERT IS ON VISIT TO COAST

W. H. Bunting Arrives to Make Examination Into Conditions of Industry in Province

William H. Bunting, of St. Catharines, Ontario, arrived in the city Thursday evening in connection with his tour of the Dominion on behalf of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. He is looking into the whole problem of fruit culture in the Dominion, and passing from province to province in examining into the situation as it affects both producer and consumer. He has come west with the recent graduate of the Macdonald College at St. Anne de Bellevue, and they have spent some time in the Arrow Lakes district and the Okanagan looking over the position before coming down to the coast.

FROST ON MARS

Flagstaff, Arizona, Nov. 18.—The following statement was issued from the Lowell observatory yesterday, giving supplementary information regarding the recent announcement by Percival Lowell that he had discovered frost on Mars.

"Frost has been observed on Mars by all observers here for a fortnight. Two hundred photographic images of the planet have been taken, both with the 24-inch refractor and the 40-inch reflector, and all show it very prominently.

November 14 measures and photographs were made of it at the Lowell observatory at intervals all the way from 110 degrees to 214 degrees, in all of which it appeared on the sunlit side of the planet, never advancing detachedly upon the disk, and thus proving conclusively that it was something melting under the sun's rays.

The ideas that the polar caps of Mars and their attendant phenomena are due to carbon dioxide, is an old suggestion, broached long since by persons not sufficiently acquainted with chemistry to recognize its impossibility to Mars.

OFFICERS DISCUSS CADET MOVEMENT

Universal Training Also Engages Attention of Conference at Ottawa

Ottawa, Nov. 18.—Hon. Col. Hughes yesterday entertained the officers attending the militia conference at lunch in the parliamentary restaurant, H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, Mr. E. L. Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier being present.

The subjects principally discussed at the conference were recruiting, training of young men at the universities and colleges, and the cadet movement. Strong feeling was expressed that the great recruiting needs are unit armies and an increase of pay to at least \$1 per day, plus shooting and rifleman pay.

The discussion turned upon the subject of universal training. Lieutenant Colonel Loggie, of Hamilton, moving a resolution favoring the adoption by Canada of the Australian type of universal service. The discussion of this waits over.

In discussing the cadet movement the opinion was widely expressed that camp service is advisable for cadets. Rev. J. W. Macmillan of Halifax, in a strong speech in favor of cadet work, declared that the soldier never was a man who kindled the emotional insanity which sometimes led to war. It was, instead, irresponsible editors, stock brokers and sometimes preachers.

SAILING POSTPONED

Steamer F. Plant Undergoing Repairs - Shipping Notes.

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—The sailing of the steamer M. F. Plant has been postponed for several days until repairs to her tail shaft are made. She reached port Thursday evening in tow of the tugboat Rosecrans and will be ready to sail immediately. She sustained no other damage and will probably be able to go on her regular run again early next week.

The Crowley Launch & Tug Co. has purchased the steamer Redondo, a vessel of 39 tons, from the R. R. Thompson estate and will use her in bay towing. The Crowley company has a large number of gasoline tugs, boats and launches, and the vessel being purchased is a schooner Lyman D. Foster, of Calcutta, Ontario discharging lumber from Portland, has been chartered to load on Gray's Harbor for Java and Levuka at \$45 per ton.

DANISH COMPOSER TO VISIT VICTORIA

Prof. Sveinborg Sveinborgsson of Copenhagen, Denmark, will visit Victoria during this week. Mr. Sveinborgsson is an Icelander and the composer of many of the favorite Icelandic pieces and songs, including the national hymn of Iceland. He has resided in his native country very little, however, since his youth. After studying music at the conservatorium at Leipzig, where he received his personal instruction from the director of the institution, the celebrated Carl Reinecke, he made his home Edinburgh, Scotland, since 1878, where he married and resided until his removal to Copenhagen recently. While in Edinburgh he was connected with the university of that place as lecturer and special instructor of music. As a lecturer on the history, theory and practical execution of music he has few equals. Owing to his strong national sentiments he has been especially interested in the Scandinavian and Icelandic folk songs, and these will be touched upon in his lecture on Friday night.

A number of his compositions have already been counted among the classics, and in the Scandinavian countries and in Germany his late compositions are very popular. During the last two years he has been intimately associated with the scholarly Dr. Egan.



The American representative at Copenhagen, and has composed music to many of the latter's poetical productions. Among Prof. Sveinborgsson's more popular compositions is his splendid musical setting to Hall Caine's dramatized edition of the "Prodigal Son," which was played to large audiences in the Drury Lane theatre in London, and in all the larger cities of the United States and Canada. Among his favorite pieces is a most realistic interpretation of a familiar and beautiful fairy tale.

DEATHS WILL BE INVESTIGATED

British Government Requests Washington State Officials to Take Action

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 18.—That the British government has made representations to the Washington state administration at Olympia regarding the deaths of British subjects who expired while under the treatment of Dr. Linda B. Hazzard, the "fast cure" doctor of Seattle, is the information secured by Thurston county authorities. Mr. Agass, British consul, was asked for correct information of the news of the British government's appearance in the case, but declared he had nothing to say.

Governor Hay recently received an official communication from the British ambassador, Mr. Bryce, acting on instructions from Sir Edward Grey, British foreign secretary in relation to the Hazzard case. The representations dealt chiefly with the case of Claire Williamson, an English woman, whose death caused Mrs. Hazzard's arrest on a charge of murder in the first degree, and also referred to the death of John Irvin Flux, an Englishman, and Stanley Wakelin, who came to Puget Sound from New Zealand. Wakelin shot himself after a course of treatment by Dr. Hazzard. It is understood the state authorities assured Ambassador Bryce that everything possible is being done in the Williamson case.

CORONATION CARPET ON VIEW IN VICTORIA

Local Agents of the Weavers Are Showing Section of Covering Used

For the week to come Victorians will have an opportunity to see a piece of the carpet which covered the altar of Westminster Abbey at the Coronation, and at the same time examine a perfect specimen of the best work of the carpet-weaving looms of the Mother Country.

Weller Brothers yesterday opened up a parcel sent them by James Templeton & Co., Glasgow, whose agents they are here, and found within a portion of the identical carpet used on that historic occasion and woven by the firm, which has made many carpets for royal use. For one week this is being shown to the public as a sample of what the house can turn out, and it will then be returned to Glasgow.

The carpet was, of course, especially made for the Coronation, and is of two shades of royal blue and of heraldic design, embodying the floral symbols of England, Scotland, Ireland and India, with the stars of the orders of the Garter, the Thistle and St. Patrick repeated at wide intervals and flanked by the letter G and M surmounted by the royal crown. The grouping of the diamonds, and the shield and lotus in large panels alternate with the other decorations, and the whole design extends 39 feet in length.

The elaborate design was carried out in detail at Messrs. Templeton's factory. The fabric chemists' examination of a texture of 144 tufts to each square inch, and is woven of the finest materials to give a rich and smooth effect. For the Coronation dais and the space around, as well as the royal boxes, a plain carpet of royal blue shade of the same fabric was provided. Altogether about 800 square yards of carpet was required.

TWO "PRO" LACROSSE LEAGUES IN SUMMER

Big Four and N. L. U. Decided Upon With Quartette of Teams for Eastern Series

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 18.—There will be two professional lacrosse leagues in the east next summer. The big four and the N. L. U. The big four comprises Toronto, Tecumseh, Nationals and George Kennell's club, Montreal, which team will be known as the Irish Canadians. Kennell will have the right to secure any English players in Montreal, which means that he can have the pick of the Montreal and Shamrock clubs. Nationals will also waive their right to Newry Lalonde, and Kennell is after him as manager for the new club. The N. L. U. will consist of Montreal, Shamrocks, Cornwall and Capitals, with no representation from Toronto, for it is a certainty that there will be no professional lacrosse team in that city. The Rosedale people have decided themselves on that point. The big four will meet at the King Edward here Monday morning to elect officers. W. Findlay, of the Montreal club, arrived in the city today and tried to bring about peace, but his efforts in trying to get the Tecumseh and Toronto to side with the N. L. U. were in vain. Mr. Findlay stated that no third club would be allowed into the N. L. U. and the Toronto had been thrown overboard, but neither of the Toronto clubs could see it that way.

Lawrence, Kas., Nov. 18.—An earth shock was recorded on the seismograph at the University of Kansas here today. The main wave started at 5:34 a. m. and lasted several minutes.

NEEDS OF YUKON

Dr. Thompson Will Urge Vigorous Policy for Development of Country.

Vancouver, Nov. 18.—"On reaching Ottawa, I shall seek to enlist the support of the Dominion government in a vigorous policy for the internal development of the Yukon district," said Dr. Thompson, newly-elected member of parliament for the Yukon to-day. "The possibilities of that whole northern region are so great that I believe in the building of a railway from a point on Lynn Canal in Alaskan territory, south of Skegway, right through to Dawson. I understand that there are two shunters in existence virtually covering the same route which has decided advantages over the White Pass & Yukon railway and steamboat route.

"The Dominion government will also be asked to contribute more liberally in aid of a project for the building of a system of roads and trails, now being planned, throughout the region with Dawson as the centre. In this manner alone can the country be made accessible. As a matter of fact the country in a relative sense has scarcely been explored and with proper encouragement by the government, I look for new discoveries which may equal if not surpass the former glory of the Klondike. I regard the Yukon as the richest piece of territory under the British flag."

DETECTIVE FORCE IN ITS NEW QUARTERS

Temporary Offices in Market Block Will Afford Department Every Facility

During the present week the detective force of the city of Victoria has been relieved of the congestion from which it has suffered so long and so patiently in the "two-by-four" barracks room on the north side of the market block, by taking up its new quarters in the market block on the west of the fire station, which have been put in shape at an expenditure of something like \$700.

The new quarters consist of four rooms, each of them spacious and airy, and together forming a suite that should not only develop the better working of the department as a whole, but should at the same time inspire sentiments of culture in keeping with the new location. There are two entrances to the new offices, one public, leading to the general office, and other private, the banquet sanatorium of the Inspector Poiry, to whom the premises are already so far advanced in that direction, and already so very far ahead of the old place in every other respect. The stay of the new premises is the virtue nor utility in it. From the Inspector downwards everyone is delighted with the change. Getting out of the old "hog-hole" of an office which they formerly occupied, and the name of headquarters, to the new location, is like having a day in the country to most of them, and they are making the most of it while the feeling lasts.

It may be recalled that the expenditure of the \$700 upon this work was made at the instigation of the mayor who argued that the change would justify the holding up of the public by-law authorizing the expenditure of \$30,000 for the renovation of the entire west end of the market block until such time as it was definitely known what would become of the civic centre idea, which it is now decided to submit in January to the referendum of the people. Since the work was first spoken of the council has passed a resolution calling upon the city engineer to provide for in the \$30,000, but the mayor ruled the proceeding out of order. How the matter now stands it is difficult to say. Only one thing is clear, and that is the completion of the temporary quarters of the detective force already described.

JAMES BAY EPWORTH LEAGUE. At the recent half yearly business meeting of the James Bay Epworth League the election of officers resulted as follows: President, D. Spinkling; vice-president, Miss Ridsout; 2nd vice-president, Mr. Joones; 3rd vice-president, Miss L. Moore and Miss K. Costello; 4th vice-president, Mr. Simpson; secretary, Mr. G. Petch; treasurer, Miss J. Webster; pianist, Miss H. MacQuarrie; representatives to C. E. Union, Mr. Pendarry and Mr. T. Climo; reporter, Miss M. Webster.

RUSHING ON FORTIFICATIONS

SWITZERLAND FEARS ITALIAN AGGRESSION

Portion of Mountain Republic is Coveted by the Nationalists

Berlin, Nov. 18.—"After Tripoli what?" is the question which to-day, according to dispatches from Swiss correspondents of the German papers, is agitating the Swiss press and public. Italy's seizure of Tripoli, combined with the well-known aspirations of the Italian Nationalists to unite the Italian-speaking portions of Switzerland with the Roman kingdom, is causing, say these dispatches, much discussion of the possibility that the little republic may be a future portion of its southern neighbor.

Since the outbreak of the Tripolitan war, various Swiss papers have pointed out the significance for Switzerland of this unexpected launching of the Italian and the seizure of a coveted province, and have concluded from it the necessity of neglecting no steps to maintain at the highest possible efficiency the defence and fighting power of the country. The part of Switzerland on which it is feared that Italy's eye may be turned, is the canton of Ticino, on the Italian side of the Alps, known to thousands of tourists who have travelled over the St. Gothard railroad or visited the Italian lakes. It is believed to be the scene of one of Hannibal's first victories over the Romans. Its area is 1,068 square miles and its population nearly 150,000, practically all of them Italian-speaking. Like the southern part of the canton of Valais and the Engadine region of Switzerland, it is marked upon the maps and colored postcards of the Italian interdenominational agitators for a united Italian empire as one of the regions estimated to be joined to Italy, but what has focused attention particularly on Ticino is the vexatious manifested in certain Italian quarters at the strong Swiss fortifications of the St. Gothard pass, which dominate the canton.

A series of articles on the importance of this canton by an Italian general recently appeared in the Della Sera of Milan, but Italian criticisms of the Swiss mistrust have rather increased than diminished the zeal with which the fortifications are being pressed.

In a recent article Dr. J. Schollaerberner, professor of political science at the University of Zurich, maintained that Switzerland can expect little support from France and none from Italy, for the neutrality and integrity of Swiss territory. A possible combination in the minds of the Swiss pessimists is an Italian occupation of Ticino for which France would be compensated by the grant of Geneva, a town thoroughly French in language and sympathies.

Not only Switzerland but also Austria-Hungary, Italy's ally, is thinking of the possibilities of Italian aggression. Since General Conrad has been at the head of the Austrian general staff, the fortification of the mountain valleys of the Tyrol along the Italian frontier has been carried on with unceasing energy, until now every connecting pass and valley between the two countries is closed by powerful fortifications.

Not attention has turned to the St. Gotthard, a well-known Alpine pass, situated at the junction of the frontiers of Austria, Italy and Switzerland. Over this a fine carriage road leads from Italy into Austria. The pass has hitherto been considered amply defended by the fact that the other road passes for a distance of about eight miles across a narrow point of Swiss territory, but since the construction by Italy of a fortification camp at the foot of Monte Impral and of a fort upon Monte Opa, both near the Italian end of the pass, and the extension of the Italian railroad to Bormio, a strong agitation has been started for defensive measures on the Austrian side. Italy's activity on this corner of her frontier is shown by the fact that mountain climbers are no longer allowed to ascend Monte Orzly Impral, one of the well-known Alpine ascents.

THE MARRIAGE ACT

Ottawa, Nov. 18.—E. A. Lancaster, of Lincoln-Niagara, who arrived today, outlined the object of his bill to amend the marriage act. The bill will provide that wherever a marriage is contracted by any recognized ceremony in a province of the Dominion, it shall be valid and binding in all other provinces, and cannot be dissolved by any decree, ecclesiastical or otherwise. The bill takes effect over any provincial act and is designed to absolutely safeguard the rights of children of mixed marriages.

Mr. Lancaster is also bringing a bill in to amend the election act by providing that an elector shall vote only once in an election. Under present franchise of Quebec, a voter is entitled to vote in more than one constituency if possessed of the requisite property qualifications.

ACCUSED OF INTRIGUE. St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—Accusing W. Morgan Shuster, the American, who is supervisor of finances for the Persia government, of intriguing against Russia and overriding the authority of the government at Teheran, an imputed press has begun a bitter campaign against him.

Troops have been dispatched to Persia to be concentrated at Kasbin, 100 miles northwest of the capital.

IN ACTION OF WILLIAMS VS. SPENCER AND Sun Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Justice Morrison handed down in Vancouver on Thursday the judgment in the action brought by R. T. Williams against the Sun Life Insurance company and David Spencer, Limited, which was heard in Victoria about nine months ago, and in which the plaintiff claimed portion of the Spencer site on Broad street.

His Honor decided for the defendants. Mr. Williams owned the property which one time he mortgaged in 1894 to the Sun Life company. The Sun Life company later foreclosed but it was contended at the trial, did not register the deed. The Sun Life company then sold the property to David Spencer, Limited, for \$18,000 and annual instalments of \$1,000 with interest at 5 per cent.

The property since then has increased in value considerably and Mr. Williams sought to prove his title to it on the ground that the foreclosure proceedings were not valid. Mr. Williams will appeal from the decision.

PAVEMENT BLOWN UP BY EXPLOSION

One Person Killed and Twenty-Five Others Injured in Brooklyn

New York, Nov. 18.—Triple explosions of gas went up beneath the pavement of a crowded street in the downtown section of Brooklyn...

LOCAL NEWS

Fired a Shotgun—A man named E. Grongard was arrested by Provincial Constable Booth Friday afternoon...

New Library Act.—At the suggestion of the secretary of the B. C. Library Association, the Union of Municipalities at their conference here passed a resolution...

Sealing Licenses.—The agreement between Great Britain, the United States, Japan and Russia, suspending pelagic sealing for fifteen years...

St. Columba Church At-Home.—The Ladies Aid of the Columbia church, Oak Bay avenue and Hulst street, will give an "at-home" on Wednesday afternoon next...

Disclaimer from Mr. Thompson.—Clarence Thompson, organist of St. James' church, and secretary of the B. C. Employment and Statistical Bureau...

Ball for John Charlities.—The Knights of Columbus chapter here proposes to give a ball at the Alexandra Club on January 24, in aid of the Royal Provincial Jubilee hospital...

Over-Sea Club.—The first meeting of the winter session of the Over-Sea Club will be held in the lodge room of the A. O. F. Society, at 1411 Chestnut street...

Quiet at Fernie.—Superintendent Campbell, of the provincial police force, who is in Fernie in charge of the police arrangements there during the lighter bears in military camps...

Wireless Stations.—The Board of Trade Council, at its meeting this week, will take up the question of additions to the chain of Dominion government wireless stations along the coast...

Continental Increase.—At the regular meeting of Victoria Lodge, I. O. G. T. in the school of the Church of Our Lord, corner of Humboldt and Blanchard streets Friday evening...

The Coming Bazaar.—The ladies of the Congregational church are looking forward with much pleasure to their eleventh annual bazaar to be held in the lecture hall of the church on November 22...

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Miss Roberts and Miss Howell; the tea room, Mrs. Kinney and Mrs. Harter, and the kitchen...

Financial Assistance.—The municipality of North Saanich will shortly pass out of existence through its incorporation, and this creates a somewhat unusual situation...

PROPOSED CITY PARK FOR CRANBROOK

Council Appoints Committee to Investigate Sewerage Work

Cranbrook, Nov. 17.—At the regular meeting of the city council several matters of great importance, looking to the improvement of the city, came up for consideration...

The first business of public interest to arise was in connection with the petition of Slaterville residents for a water service...

Mr. Knoke, as spokesman for a delegation, outlined existing conditions in Slaterville in regard to water supply and intimated that at a recent meeting of property owners it had been decided to request the city of Cranbrook to co-operate with Slaterville residents in securing a water system...

Aid. Jackson then brought up the question of grounds for the city, including a lake. He pointed out that a suitable site could be secured, which contained a large pond, about nine acres in extent, and a water supply of the city. At a relatively small cost, this pond could be dammed and enlarged to make a fair sized lake...

On motion of Aid. Jackson Mr. McNabb, a committee was appointed to investigate and report upon the project. From reports presented by the John Galt Engineering company it appeared that the cost of sewerage installation to date amounts to \$34,000. So far the expenditure has been kept within the estimates.

GENERAL REYES ARRESTED

Taken Into Custody at San Antonio, Texas, Charged With Violating Neutrality Law

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 18.—General Bernardo Reyes was arrested today by a United States marshal here on a charge of violating the neutrality law. The arrest was made in pursuance of an indictment returned by the federal grand jury now sitting at Laredo...

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OBJECT TO BEER IN CANTEENS

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BOXING IN AUSTRALIA

Sydney, N. S. W., Nov. 18.—Jimmy Clabby, of Milwaukee, easily outpointed Arthur Cripps for the middleweight championship of Australia to-day. The bout was scheduled for 20 rounds, but Cripps acknowledged defeat in the 15th round.

CURLERS COMING

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TWO GASOLINE SCHOONERS ASHORE

Stranded on the Coast of Oregon, but Are Not in Danger

Marshfield, Ore., Nov. 18.—In addition to the schooner Saanichton en route from San Francisco to Coos Bay and the little schooner Adams, both of which are anchored near shore in the vicinity of the mouth of the Coquille river, it is reported here that the gasoline schooner Randolph, which plies between small ports in Curry county, is ashore at the mouth of the Rogue river, and that the little gasoline schooner Patsy is beached on the coast somewhere north of here.

At last reports from Coquille, the Saanichton and Adams were in no immediate danger. Tugs have been unable to cross out of Coos Bay because of roughness of the bar.

Hoquiam, Wash., Nov. 18.—Barques and the keeper of the Westport lighthouse, report that the four-masted British barque Crocodile, Callao to Portland, anchored just south of the entrance to Gray's Harbor waiting for a favorable wind to bear out to the open sea.

She was spoken to-day by one of the local tugs, and reported all well and declined assistance. She is anchored in ten fathoms of water and has good holdings.

Astoria, Ore., Nov. 18.—It is reported that the tug Gollath with a ship in tow, is southward bound at a point about 30 miles north of the mouth of the Columbia river. It is believed that she has the British barque Crocodile in tow.

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Los Angeles Soccer Team Fell Before Sailors—Game Clean and Enjoyable

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Table listing market prices for various goods including Coal Oil, Beans, Meat, Bacon, Pork, Lamb, Veal, Suet, Butter, Eggs, Flour, and various oils and flours.

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