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Tragic Death of South African "Diamond King"—Overboard from a Steamship.

Sensation in Financial Circles—Self-Destruction the Outcome of Brain Trouble.

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LAURIER'S SPEECH

Interest Aroused Over Utterances of Canada's Premier and Duke of Devonshire.

Closer Commercial Union Favored Between Great Britain and the Colonies.

London, June 14.—All the morning papers comment upon the speeches of the Duke of Devonshire and Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian Premier...

How London Looks Six Miles of Streets Lined With Jubilee Stands—Every Space Occupied.

The Grand Masonic Jubilee a Very Brilliant Affair—Impressive Reception.

New York, June 14.—A dispatch to the Journal from London says: Six miles of London streets to-day resemble the amphitheater of a circus...

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FROM THE CAPITAL

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Ottawa, June 15.—Mr. Davies, minister of marine and fisheries, has taken passage for England for the 28th inst.

Edinburgh, June 14.—The visiting pressmen were entertained to a luncheon presided over by the Lord Provost. There were 200 prominent people present...

Speculation is rife as to when prorogation will take place. Members are almost a unit, however, that it cannot occur this week.

ON A BURNING COAL SHIP. A Vain Battle With Flames on Board the Collier Buckhurst.

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The Man Who Shot Roderick Discharged by Judge McCall.

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OUR I'S AND... OTHER EYES.

Our I's are just as strong as they were fifty years ago, when we have cause to use them.

But we have less and less cause to praise ourselves, since others do the praising, and we are more than willing for you to see us through other eyes.

This is how we look to S. H. Boyce, wholesale and retail druggist, Duluth, Minn., who after a quarter of a century of observation writes:

"I have sold Ayer's Sarsaparilla for more than 25 years, both at wholesale and retail, and have never heard anything but words of praise from my customers; not a single complaint has ever reached me. I believe Ayer's Sarsaparilla to be the best blood purifier that has been introduced to the general public."

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EXERCISED OVER LYONING.

Negroes in the East Want Some Federal Action Taken.

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wholesale and retail... No Charter Likely To Be Secured This Session for a Road to Kootenay.

An Arrangement Reached by the Two Companies and Then Broken Off.

A Railway Committee Meeting Today Prevented by the Lack of a Quorum.

At the meeting of the railway committee yesterday, the British Pacific bill, which is for a road from the coast through the Yellowhead Pass, and supported by C. N. Armstrong, was withdrawn at the request of Mr. Blair, who said he had no time to look into it at this late period of the session.

A fight then took place over the Columbia and Western railway, which is an extension of what will be the western terminus of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, from Robson to Pentiction.

Mr. Blair said that the personal character of Mr. Heinze had nothing to do with the project, but whatever company was formed to carry it out would require a federal charter. He had already secured the charter for the Columbia and Western railway.

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Messrs. Angers and Monette, Liberals, again. The first line contract was passed by a vote of 185 to 23. The minority included Mr. McInnes and 14 other Liberals.

It Is Announced That Her Majesty the Queen Is Now Almost Totally Blind.

The Crowd in London—How the Queen Will Be Guarded During the Procession.

London, June 17.—The whole aspect of the coming jubilee has been suddenly changed by painful information which comes from a source making it impossible to doubt its accuracy.

It is announced upon the authority of one of the royal physicians attendant upon Her Majesty that the "Queen is almost totally blind."

The following letter written by the Rev. Wm. Lawson, Methodist minister at Richibucto, N. B., attests in the strongest manner the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and a perusal of it will suggest why this great medicine is so popular in thousands of homes throughout the Dominion—it cures when other medicines fail.

Richibucto, N. B., April 28th, 1897. Dr. Williams' Medicine Co.

Dear Sirs:—I am glad to furnish you the following voluntarily given testimonial, with the fullest permission to give the names and places. They do this as a thank-offering to God and your medicine.

Mrs. Wm. Warman, of Alois River (near here), says her son Alden was sick from birth. He could hardly ever retain food, and his parents had but little hope that he would live long.

WHISKY FOR THE NORTH. Difficulty Experienced in Seattle by a Victoria Shipper.

Seattle, June 16.—The schooner Heron, Capt. Frank Worth, is off today for St. Michaels with the material for the upper Yukon passenger boat.

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ACCIDENT AT ARROWHEAD. Capt. Reid, of the Steamer Illellewaet, Fatally Crushed.

Vancouver, B. C., June 16.—At noon yesterday Capt. Reid, of the steamer Illellewaet, was fatally crushed at the wharf at Arrowhead, on Arrow Lake, by the steamer Kootenay. Capt. Reid formerly resided in this city.

SCHEME FOR SETTLEMENT. Delimitation of the Frontiers of Greece and Turkey.

Constantinople, June 16.—The ambassadors of the powers submitted to the Turkish government yesterday a scheme for the delimitation of the frontiers of Greece and Turkey drawn up by military attaches of the different embassies.

BERING SEA COMMISSION. American Members Arrive in Montreal to Take Up Argument.

Montreal, June 17.—Judge Putnam, American arbitrator on the Bering Sea commission, and Robert Lansing, Charles B. Warren and Don M. Dickinson, the senior American counsel, have arrived in the city to take up the argument on the evidence collected at Victoria.

GHASTLY TRAGEDY. Portage la Prairie Man Kills His Sister-in-Law and Then Himself.

Winnipeg, June 16.—A ghastly tragedy occurred at Portage la Prairie this afternoon, Henry Brigham shooting his sister-in-law, Missella Hall, and then himself, both dying instantly.

MURDER IN BULGARIA. Crime of a High Police Official—Captain's Mistress Killed.

London, June 16.—An extraordinary murder story comes from Philippopolis, Bulgaria, where Captain Boitcheff, a prefect of police, and Novitch, a general, have been arrested on the charge of murdering a young girl, a beautiful public singer and the mistress of the captain.

RAILWAY LAND GRANTS. A Point Raised in the Quartz Creek Land Case.

Rossland Record: The Quartz creek land case, involving the rights of the land company and the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway company, which came up for trial last Tuesday, was delayed until Friday.

IT HOLDS THE KEY. Insurgent's E-glance—But They Steal on Oona's a Night, and Before One Can Wonder What Ails Him He Is in the Firm Grip of Disease—South American Kidney Cure Will Break the Bonds and Liberate.

To Matter How Strong the Cord. The thousands of cases that have been helped and cured by the great South American Kidney Cure is the best recommendation of its curative qualities.

TOBACCO FROM AUSTRALIA—Cecil Rhodes' Danger—Porte Still Warlike.

London, June 16.—The correspondent of the Times at Melbourne says: The first trial shipment of Victorian tobacco was made on Saturday with a consignment to London. The leaf is considered fully equal to the American.

TORTURED AND HELPLESS. Rheumatism Has Hordes of Victims, and No Respector of Sufferers. An American Rheumatic Cure Has Been Discovered, and It Is the Only One That Cures.

Geo. W. Plaji, manager 'World's' Newspaper Agency, Toronto, says: 'I am at a loss for words to express my feelings of sincere gratitude and thankfulness for what South American Rheumatic Cure has done for me. As a result of exposure I was taken with a severe attack of rheumatic fever which affected both my knees. I suffered pain almost beyond human endurance. Having heard of marvellous cures by South American Rheumatic Cure, I give it a trial. After taking three doses the pain entirely left me, and in three days I left my bed. Now every trace of my rheumatism has disappeared.'

WILLIAMSON'S SALT. Pursued and Best for 'Able and Dainty' No. 1. The most reliable and best.

unable to realize the land, the object of the act granting the land failed. The court remarked that if Mr. Blake's contentions were correct, it was the most important question ever raised in British Columbia, and without expressing any opinion, it appeared to him at the outset, as a very important objection, one that if held to be good would do away with every foot of land granted to the company, but as the objection was of such great moment he would require time to consider it, and asked Mr. Blake to cite him other precedents later on. Mr. Blake then addressed the court from 1:30 to 5:15 with his arguments against the injunction. It is not likely that a decision will be rendered for several weeks.

MURDERER BUTLER GUILTY. End of the Trial at Sydney—The Prisoner Attempts Suicide.

Sydney, N. S. W., June 16.—The trial of Frank Butler, charged with the murder of Capt. Lee Weller, while the two were on a gold prospecting trip, was concluded to-day the jury rendering a verdict of guilty.

VERY LIKELY CORRECT. A Conservative Scheme to Get Rid of Sir Charles Tupper.

Montreal, June 16.—A special dispatch to the Star from Ottawa correspondent says the recent banquet to Sir Charles Tupper was intended to pave the way for his retirement from the leadership, and that when in a few days he goes to London he will stay there. A Conservative scheme to get rid of Sir Charles Tupper.

UNION COKE WORKS. Ovens Being Entirely Rebuilt—Demand Greater Than Supply.

It is learned from an unofficial but reliable source that the Union Colliery Company has been offered contracts for coke amounting to over 4,700 tons per month. This is, of course, considerable beyond the capacity of the works, but it is expected that in a short time the ovens will be working at their full capacity of about a ton each per day, making a monthly output of somewhat less than 3,000 tons. The works are now the greatest success except for the fact that the workmanship in the construction of the ovens has already necessitated the entire raising plan being taken down and rebuilt, and these are now working most satisfactorily. The reconstruction of a dozen more will be completed in a few days. The remainder are being rebuilt as fast as the men obtainable can do it, and more men have been sent for to Nanaimo, but cannot be got. The coke is reported to be of a most satisfactory quality, and all that has been manufactured has been shipped. The plant is taking 500 tons on her present trip to California.

REVIVAL OF ANARCHISM. New York, June 17.—A dispatch to the Journal from Rome says: 'The Manifesto de Rimini in an interview last night said: "We see an anarchistic reawakening every day in Italy, where even socialists, who justly disapprove of outrages, in reality encourage them, both privately and in the press. We ought to give no respite either to one party or the other." The Arena says the King, speaking with the ministers on the Paris outrage, expressed the opinion that the laws did not offer sufficient protection to society against anarchists.'

Dr. BOBERTZ. The old reliable and celebrated Detroit Specialist still retains his greatest SKILL AND SUCCESS. All Nervous and Chronic Diseases. Men who are weak, nervous, broken down; men who suffer from the effects of disease, over work, worry, from the follies of youth or the excesses of manhood; men who have failed to find a cure, DO NOT DESPAIR, DO NOT GIVE UP! Consult Dr. BOBERTZ and you can rely upon being speedily and permanently restored to PLEASANT MANHOOD. Describe your case fully and a book containing valuable advice, testimonials and full information how to obtain a perfect cure at home, safely and secretly, will be sent you in plain sealed envelope Free of Charge. Address, naming this paper: Dr. Bobertz, 252 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

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FROM THE CAPITAL

Aid to the Ontario Rainy River Railway—The Crown's Nest, Pass Agreement.

Mr. Wood of Hamilton, Finishes His Criticism of the Fast Line Service Contract.

Ottawa, May 16.—The government has decided to grant aid to the Ontario & Rainy River railway to construct a line to a point near Fort Francis. It is understood that the aid is to the amount of \$6,000 a mile. The Ontario government has voted three thousand a mile, which with the federal aid will be sufficient to build the road.

In reply to Henderson in the house today, Mr. Blair stated that it was not the intention of the government to stipulate for any further reduced rates than those mentioned in the Crown's Nest Pass railway agreement.

In answer to Mr. Fiset (Rimouski), Mr. Davies said that Walter Cassilis, of Toronto, had a lease for nine years from January 1st, 1894, for \$100 for the tidal portion of Masane river.

The senate bill respecting appeals to the supreme court for Ontario was next taken up. The object of the bill is to limit the right to appeal from the province of Ontario. At present there is no limit in appealing to the supreme court. Some progress was made with the bill.

The fast Atlantic service was then taken up. Mr. Wood (Hamilton) in referring to the fast line service, said that he only intended reading the extract which he had commenced the other day when the subject was up, and which he had not finished when the speaker left the chair. There was no use in his pursuing the matter further, as the government was supported on the matter by the leader of the opposition, and his friends, and anything he could say was not likely to influence the government to take a different stand than it was now doing.

He closed by reading from the Toronto Globe of the 21st of August, 1896, a strong article denouncing the scheme as an extravagant one.

In the house yesterday Sir Charles Tupper read from a report of Mr. Laurier's interview in England, and asked the government for the statement that the premier had not been authorized to discourage preferential trade within the empire, which was Mr. Chamberlain's policy. Mr. McNeill also objected to Mr. Laurier's statements. Sir Richard Cartwright refused to discuss the cable messages and reports. He had every confidence in Mr. Laurier doing what was right.

In reply to Sir Charles Tupper, Mr. Sirton said he could not print Major-General Cameron's report on the Alaska boundary as an official report. The act making controllers cabinet ministers got a second reading. The salaries will be five thousand dollars until the cabinet is reduced to thirteen ministers holding departments, when the salaries of the ministers of customs and inland revenue will be seven thousand dollars.

The northwest bill got through the committee, and was passed with minor amendments. At noon to-day a beautiful album containing the address to Her Majesty the Queen, from the commons and senate, was shipped to the colonial office. It was enclosed in a casket made of birds-eye maple, mounted with gold, and lined with purple silk velvet. The whole cost was about \$1,000.

Two important changes in the tariff affecting British Columbia were announced. Rice, uncleaned, was made half a cent a pound, instead of three-fourths of a cent, and the bituminous coal duty was made uniform with that of the States, 54 cents per short ton, slack 20 per cent, not to exceed 13 cents per short ton, anthracite free.

LETTERS BY QUEEN VICTORIA. Valuable Collection Soon to be Disposed Of at Auction in England. New York, June 16.—A cable to the Sun from London says: A collection of private letters written by Queen Victoria to the Duke of Sussex will be sold at auction presently. The young Queen wrote in November, 1842: "The Prince of Wales is very well, and will shortly walk alone."

Thinking the Duke for his good wishes for the tenth anniversary of her marriage, Her Majesty wrote: "That day must ever be one of joy and gratitude to me, as being the commencement of the greatest possible happiness to me. Few, if any, possess such a treasure as I do in my deeply loved Albert, whose only object is the happiness and well-being of others. May his bright example of virtue and excellence be followed by my son, and may he be the image of his father in my most fervent prayer."

SWEEP BY HEAVY GALES. North of England and Scotland (the Scene of Disastrous Storms. London, June 16.—The north of England and Scotland has been swept by heavy gales. The suburbs of Glasgow and country around that city is flooded and railroads are submerged. A terrible storm has swept over Liverpool, and Nelson's flagship, the Foundry, which is now touring the coast as a show ship, has been driven ashore and expected to be lost.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Council of Women—Presbyterian Assembly—A Mad Priest.

Hull, June 15.—At the session of the National Council of Women yesterday, "Art" was the first subject. "How to attract the rank and file of federated societies" was the subject of a paper by Mrs. Boomer, of the London Council. A discussion followed in which the representatives of the Montreal, Ottawa and other centres took part. It was thought it would be well frequently to throw meetings of the executive committee open to society. The Council of Aberdeen endorsed this, but at the same time she put in a word in maintenance of the privacy of executive meetings.

Miss May Wright Sewell, of Indianapolis, mentioned a committee on information which had been found useful. This committee's work was solely the imparting of knowledge. Members of societies, too, are admitted to executive meetings with a view of increasing their interest. Another thing in Indianapolis, care is taken that the local council shall duplicate the work done by any individual society and thus waste energy or belittle the society.

This evening a public meeting was held, which was addressed by the Countess of Aberdeen and others. Winnipeg, June 15.—At to-day's session of the Presbyterian General Assembly local addresses of congratulation to Her Majesty the Queen and Governor-General was unanimously adopted.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the assembly in Montreal in June next. The ballot stood: Montreal, 113; Halifax, 68. Principal Macrae moved, seconded by Mr. Robert Murray, for a change in the Assembly act, to make the Assembly consist of one-third of the number of ministers on the rolls of Presbyteries and an equal number of laymen. This motion was lost by a vote of 65 for and 79 against. The moderator characterized the result as a very extraordinary thing.

Toronto, June 15.—A dispatch from Windsor says that Father Bayard, of St. Alphonsus church, in his sermon on Sunday made a vigorous attack on the Dominion government and Mr. Laurier. They, he said, had violated the right of the church to control the education of the young and had refused to submit to the authority of the church. He declared Father Bayard, could not last. All who opposed the authority of the church are crushed sooner or later. The Windsor Liberals are furious at the priest's utterances.

A fashionable wedding was celebrated this afternoon at St. James Cathedral between W. S. V. Atkinson, of Quebec, and Constance Isabel Temple, daughter of D. D. Temple, the well known practitioner. Montreal, June 15.—The Montreal district Orange lodge has decided to take no part as a district body in the Jubilee parade of the 22nd inst. This decision was reached because of the belief that the appearance of the members in regalia would be distasteful to a large number of citizens.

Hamilton, June 15.—Thomas Miller, of this city, is the best known doctor in this district, is dead. Canadian Women Consume Millions of Packages. Millions of packages of Diamond Dyes are used by the women of Canada every year. The sale of these household necessities is increasing so fast that the manufacturers have difficulty in filling the orders that pour in from the wholesale and retail trade.

The enormous and fast increasing consumption of Diamond Dyes indicates immense popularity, due of course to quality, strength, brilliancy and fastness of colors. Diamond Dyes give colors that last till the materials are worn out. Every color is true to name, the results are always pleasing and satisfactory, and they are sold at the same price as the common imitation dyes.

When buying package dyes for home dyeing, see that your dealer gives you the Diamond Dyes, the only guaranteed dyes in the world; the only colors that give you value for your money and time. WRECK OF KINKORA. Some of Her Crew Are On Clipperton Island—The Comus' Mission.

San Francisco, June 14.—Advices from Acapulco of the steamship City of Paris have been received giving the particulars of the wreck of the British ship Kinkora on Clipperton reef, on May 2nd. It appears that while on the voyage from Puget Sound to England, with a cargo of lumber, the Kinkora was struck by a squall and dismasted on May 1st, within some 600 miles northwest of Acapulco. Capt. McMurtre made an effort to rig up jury masts in the hope of reaching the nearest port, but another storm drove the vessel upon Clipperton reef that night and the crew of 27 men landed on the reef and camped there. After vainly waiting for a passing sail for some days the chief officer and a crew of six men volunteered to make the trip to Acapulco, which they finally reached, more dead than alive, on June 3rd. When the rescuing party left Clipperton island there was sufficient food to last the remaining 20 men about four months.

(The Kinkora sailed from Vancouver, not from Puget Sound, as stated in the above dispatch. It is probable that it is to the relief of her crew that H. M. S. Comus has gone.) CASTORIA Much in Little For Infants and Children. As especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine.

Hundred of thousands have been induced to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by reading what it has done for others, and having tested its merits for themselves are to-day its warmest friends. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

THE CUBAN QUESTION

United States Will Insist Upon the Withdrawal of Captain-General Weyler.

Already the Cubans Are Founding at the Gates of Havana City.

Chicago, June 15.—A dispatch to the Record from Washington says: Unless General Weyler is withdrawn soon and there is a change as far as the treatment of non-combatants is concerned, the president will indicate to Spain the displeasure with which he views the atrocities that are being practiced upon the helpless pacificos of Cuba and the sufferings that follow their concentration in fortified cities.

Just what form this remonstrance will take has not been decided by the officials of the state department who now have the matter under consideration. The president has been unofficially informed that Weyler is to be withdrawn and conciliatory tactics are to be pursued. If such is the case the whole aspect will be changed and peace may be restored by granting complete autonomy without interference of this government.

But if Weyler is permitted to remain, the president, it is believed, will be compelled, in the interest of humanity, to notify Spain that the non-combatants must not be concentrated in small cities where they cannot obtain sufficient food and medical treatment and where they are exposed to ravaging diseases and suffer untold hardships.

Havana, June 15.—Already the Cubans are pounding at the gates of Havana demanding admittance. Closer and closer the insurgents have crept, defeating the Spanish army at every turn, and driving it before them into the city. The inhabitants are becoming alarmed at a prospect of a siege of the city and many are talking of leaving for the United States. Meanwhile the food famine becomes more serious every day and if something is not done at once to relieve the starving, people will actually die of starvation in the very stronghold of the Spaniards.

Mariano, a suburb of Havana, has been attacked by the Cubans under Cardenas and Aranguren. The fight lasted for several hours and reinforcements from the capital came to the aid of the Spaniards. The losses on both sides were heavy. Though the facts of the battle are well known in the city the press censor has forbidden publication of the names of the fallen. The Spaniards are reported to be suppressing truth in regard to Cuba. He says:

"I know now too clearly what has been passing in Cuba, yet nobody dares to mention it except secretly. If we had realized our silence only fostered audacity in other quarters it would have been better to have let our soldiers nearly all die in Cuban hospitals without honor or profit to the mother country; that the pacification of Cuba is a lie; our good relations with the United States and other American states are a lie; and that if it is a lie to pretend that the policy now followed can lead to anything but discredit and ruin."

New York, June 15.—A dispatch to the Journal from Havana says: Captain Laborde and other members of the captured Cuban filibuster competitor expedition, whose retrials have been fixed for July 1, have selected Senor Mesa Domestico, a well known Cuban lawyer, as counsel to appear for them. Though the fact of his acceptance of their case may cause Weyler to order his deportation to Chafarinas or Formoso, the Spanish government has endeavored to counsel here during to defend Americans before a Spanish court, Dominguez has taken up the defence of the competitor men without promise or hope of remuneration.

Washington, D.C., June 15.—The president has in mind three distinct methods of dealing with the Cuban question: 1. Direct intervention for the purpose of putting a stop to the war, leaving the future government of Cuba to be determined by negotiations. 2. A proposal to Spain that Cuba be given complete autonomy on the basis of indemnification, payment to be guaranteed by the United States. 3. A tender of mediation, with a suggestion that Cuba be given complete autonomy, like that of Canada, with the United States joining Spain in a guarantee of future peace and order.

For the first step the last of these three plans seems to be most in favor, but it is impossible to say which of these methods of procedure the president will adopt. He does not know himself. One thing is clear to all the members of the administration. Spain threatens war if the president goes farther than a tender of good offices. Ever since the president took up this question the Spanish government has endeavored by every means within its reach to impress upon Washington the certainty of war if the bounds of a tender of friendly offices are overstepped. Whether or not this is a diplomatic bluff on the part of Spain no one is able to determine, but the administration is forced to consider war as the probable result of any action by the United States beyond an offer of mediation.

The difficulties of the situation are many sided. Spain will refuse to part with Cuba for a price. She will resist intervention and go to war if the United States supports diplomatic pressure with a show of force. Spain may even decline to accept mediation for the purpose of securing autonomy. If she does not accept this the Cubans will reject it, and continue the war. It is inconceivable that the United States would use its military power to suppress the rebellion, and Spain alone be unable to do it. Special Commissioner Calhoun's report to the president contains two salient points bearing upon the future: 1. Unless the United States intervenes the guerrilla war in Cuba will go on indefinitely till the island is completely ruined. 2. The revolutionists have no government save on paper, and are not entitled to recognition as belligerents.

Thus the difficulties appear to reduce themselves to two undesirable conclusions, as follows: 1. Consistent means nothing will be accomplished. 2. Intervention means war and also annexation of Cuba to the United States. These are the problems that President McKinley spends his days with and carries to his pillow at night. He is satisfied that a great majority of the American people want their government to do something for humanity and civilization in Cuba. He is equally satisfied that a great majority of the people deplore war and wish to escape it.

WARSHIPS FOR GERMANY. Ten Monitor Ironclads and Sixteen Cruisers Will Soon Be Ready. Berlin, June 16.—Since the arrival here of Admiral Tirpitz, chief of the navy department, Emperor William's plans to increase the strength of the German navy have been taken up in earnest. Admiral Tirpitz is recognized to be the boldest and most energetic man in the navy. He is popularly known as the naval Von Moltke, and his ideas and aims respecting the further development and reorganization of the navy are in thorough accord with those of the Emperor. The Kaiser hopes Admiral Tirpitz will succeed where Admiral von Holmnaer failed, inducing the Reichstag to adopt big naval credits. The Emperor intends to have ten ironclads and sixteen cruisers built by 1900. Consistent comment has been aroused by the fact that the Emperor has ordered the German shipbuilding yard to build the very cruisers the plans for which were rejected by the Reichstag.

Admiral Tirpitz is now making a tour of inspection of the navy yards of Kiel, Wilhelmshaven, Stettin, Ebing and Danzig. On his return he will frame a naval bill in which the necessity of putting the German navy on an equal footing with the navies of France and Russia will be forcibly stated.

SKIN-DISEASE!

The Remedy Which Has Never Failed—Tried and Tested Ointment.

Because other alleged remedies for piles, scrofula, eczematous eruptions, scald head, chafing, black heads, salt rheum and skin diseases generally have proved useless, don't condemn Dr. Chase's Ointment. It has never been known to fail. For instance, Nelson Simmons, Meyersburg, Ont., writes: "I used Dr. Chase's Ointment for itching Piles, and can recommend it highly. Since using it I have had perfect freedom from the disease."

Peter Vanallen, L'Amable, Que., had the eczema for three years. He tried three doctors, but received no benefit. One box of Dr. Chase's Ointment and Messrs. Chase's Pills cured him completely. Large scales covered his legs and body, but the Ointment soon removed them. He will swear to these facts.

Chase's Ointment may be had from any dealer or from the manufacturers, Edgemoor, Bates & Co., 45 Lombard street, Toronto. Price 60 cents. Mother's greatest remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis, lung affections is Dr. Chase's Syrup of Aniseed and Turpentine. The medicinal taste is wholly disguised, making it pleasant to take. Large bottle 25 cents.

GREEKS ARE ALARMED. Turkish Troops Making Every Preparation for War. Lamia, Thessaly, June 16.—Turkish troops are posting guns on the Holyreys Heights, concealing them beneath the branches of trees. They have also placed artillery in the burned convent of Anzolia, and Turkish scouts have been seen during the night time on the neutral grounds between the two armies. This activity on the part of the Turks has created much distrust among the Greeks.

The excessive use of stimulants causes the hair to turn gray. Shun the cup, and restore the natural color of the hair with Hall's Hair Renewer. NATIVES UPRIISING. Police Camp at Mashowing Attacked by a Band of Renegades. Vryburg, Bechuanaland, June 14.—The startling intelligence has been received here that the police camp at Mashowing had been attacked by a body of natives 500 strong, and that six of the police had been killed. The camp is in the heart of the district where the rebellion broke out last January, and the supposition is that the natives came by stealth from Langberg and took the camp by surprise. A body of 100 volunteers has started for the scene of the outbreak.

Baltimore, June 15.—Henry L. Buchler, the oldest Odd Fellow in the world, is dead, aged 99. He was a pioneer member of William Tell lodge and intimately associated with John Wildey, the founder of the order, of which he was a member for 64 years.

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TO STUDY SEAL LIFE. FIVE MEN KILLED. Professor Jordan Leaves on a Visit to the Guadaloupe Islands. Rock and Mud Slide at Iliclewaun Tunnel With Fatal Results. San Francisco, June 16.—President Jordan, of Stanford University, left yesterday for the Guadaloupe Islands, on the coast and geodetic survey steamer Godney, Lieutenant-Commander A. P. Osborne, United States navy, commanding. President Jordan goes to make a scientific study of the seals which are found there, and by some are said to be Pribiloff Island seals, which spend a part of the year there, and by others are thought to be of a different species. This is a part of the general investigation of the seal question undertaken by the United States and British governments with a view of finding some solution of the sealing question, both in its international and commercial aspects. Direct importance attaches to the determination of the identity of these seals from the fact that every year a great many are killed in the ocean, just off this coast, while they are in the course of migration. If they are Pribiloff seals and seals their killing comes within the purview of the treaty relating to those islands. If they belong to a different species, and have their breeding grounds on the Guadaloupe islands, it becomes a different matter. The Godney is thoroughly equipped with everything necessary to make an exhaustive scientific study of the matter. It is expected that this will be concluded in time to permit President Jordan to start for the north by July 8th, as according to present arrangements he is scheduled to do.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEADACHE. Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Headache, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing SICK HEADACHE, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cure SICK HEADACHE, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. 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THE WILLAPA HERE

She Was Floated by the Wrecking Party After Three Days' Continuous Labor.

Towed Into the Inner Harbor by the Tugs This Morning—Vessel Looted by Siwashes.

The steamer Willapa no longer lies on Regatta reef, a mark for the northern winds and a prey for the thieving Siwash. She is now lying alongside the steamer Tees at the C. P. N. wharf, and Capt. John Irving's luck is the sole support of the water front. Capt. Irving is jubilant at his success, and soon after the arrival of the Tees, which steamer towed the wrecked vessel down from the north, he was holding a levee on the deck of the Willapa, friends congratulating him until they almost wrung his arm off. The Tees left Victoria on Sunday, June 6th, with a crew in tow carrying the pumps, chains, barrels and other wrecking appliances—needed for the work of raising the steamer. On board the Tees were a picked crew of wreckers, including Divers Llewellyn and McFarley, under Mr. J. Clark. After a rough passage toward the wreck, they arrived off the wreck about daylight on the 10th inst., and Captain John Irving and Mr. J. Clark at once made an examination of her in order to formulate a plan of campaign. They found her almost lying on her side, resting on the rocks in her side. Then when the hull was made as tight as it was possible to make it under the circumstances, she was pumped out, the barrels placed in her hold and thus she was floated. The work occupied three days, during which time the men worked day and night under the direction of Capt. Irving and Capt. McCoskie, a well known wrecker. The weather during the whole time was very rough and disagreeable. As soon as she was raised from the reef where she had lain since she was wrecked on March 19th, she was towed into a small harbor near by and beached, so that more substantial repairs might be made to her before she was brought down. When the Willapa was beached it was found that while she was submerged Divers Llewellyn and McFarley had done good work, and with the aid of a little further work she was put in condition for the downward journey. The Siwashes of that district are not backward in taking all that is placed within their grasp, and they managed to get away with everything that was of any value. They wrenched off the doors, took out the sashes, stole the bunks and mattresses from the cabins, cut out the mouldings and electric fittings, took away gaffs, boom ropes and all the rest of the heavy anchors and chains that were too heavy for them. The bell and whistle were both taken and they cut away the railings and tore up the canvas from the upper decks. She presented a very damaged appearance after the work of these ruthless ravagers, but notwithstanding this she will prove a valuable acquisition to the C.P.N. fleet when the time comes, and she will be replaced by a somewhat ratty, having been under water for some time, but steam was got up in the boilers this morning, and they were shown to be all right and available for service with few repairs. There is about 20 tons of coal still in her hold, with which is mixed about 200 or 300 bags of peas, beans, wheat, etc. The remainder of the cargo of the steamer Alaska taken to the wreck when the steamer was wrecked. It was understood when the expedition sailed that the engines of the Willapa were to be placed in the three-masted schooner Queen City recently bought by the C. P. N. Co., but now that the Willapa has been floated so successfully, and it has been found that she is not so badly damaged as was anticipated, she is to go on the ways to be thoroughly repaired, and when completed will be placed in service under the flag of the C.P.N. Co. The Willapa is rated of 233 gross tonnage and 249 registered tons. She was launched at Astoria on June 12th, 1885, by the Ilwaco Navigation Company, who built her for tugboat service on the Columbia river, and she was then engaged in the Gray Harbor trade. She was purchased in 1885 by Captain George Roberts and Engineer Lent, of the City of Kingston. They refitted her and placed her in the Alaskan trade, in which she was successfully engaged until the time of her wreck. The wreck was then purchased by Captain John Irving on behalf of the C. P. N. Co., and she floated and brought to Victoria by him, thus showing that this port can furnish the necessary wrecking appliances and sufficiently well skilled men to rescue any vessel that may meet with a mishap in British Columbia waters.

The steamer Maude arrived this morning from Texada. She brought down but few passengers, those coming down being mostly mining men connected with the mining properties on the island. Messrs. Hargreaves and Harris returned after surveying several claims, and Mr. Kingham brought down more valuable specimens of the Victoria-Texas Company's ore. On her way down the Maude called at Comox and brought down a cargo of coal for the use of the vessels of the C.P.N. Company.

San Francisco, June 17.—The schooner Louise D. arrived with the men on board keeping very silent as to the search on which they went a few weeks ago. Capt. Errol claimed to know the whereabouts of a very rich guano island in the North Pacific ocean, and got J. A. McGee, Jr., to fit out the schooner and start him on the trip. So certain were the men of finding the island that they took a cargo of lumber to build houses. They brought back the lumber.

Rome, June 17.—The Tribuna announces that the Italian punitive expedition sent against the Somalis to avenge the murder of several Italian officers, has been defeated by superior numbers, with a loss of 13 killed and wounded.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial New in a Commercial Point.

From Tuesday's Daily. —Tom Wallace, the safe cracker and all-around crook arrested on Saturday last, was this morning charged with vagrancy before Police Magistrate Macrae. The case was remanded until the 15th. A drunk was fined \$5.

Barclay Bouthrose, M.E., of Vancouver, managing director of the British Columbia Agency, Ltd., of London, returned to-day from Alberni, where his company has secured a number of claims. These Mr. Bouthrose says, it is the intention of the company to develop, in fact they are already working on some of them. Regarding Alberni as a whole, he preferred not to give an opinion, as not enough work has yet been done to warrant it. Mr. Loveridge, of the Duke of York mine, also came down to-day.

The merchants of the Chinese quarter held a meeting yesterday evening to talk over and arrange for the coming Diamond Jubilee celebration. For, said one of them, they also intend to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Arrangements were made to have the Chinese quarter decorated with lanterns, flags and drapings of all kinds. If the necessary permission can be obtained they will display the festive frimacery. The Chinese orchestra are practising for the occasion, but there is nothing in the rumor that they are entering for the piano competition. Every arrangement is being made for a big time during the whole of the celebration.

Johnson & Pettipiece, publishers of the Revelstoke Herald, have announced a proposed Diamond Jubilee souvenir, illustrative and descriptive of the mining resources of North Kootenay. It will be an interesting and comprehensive sheet, indexed, illustrated and printed with artistic finish unsurpassed by anything hitherto produced in the Dominion of Canada. It will deal principally with the mining interests of Revelstoke, and will include a description of the Lewat, Albert Canyon, Jordan Pass and other points of the North Kootenay. The enterprise of the Revelstoke publishers merits, and should be accorded, a generous support.

The death occurred yesterday morning at the family residence, Lake Hill, of Mrs. Agnes McKenzie, widow of the late Kenneth McKenzie. Mrs. McKenzie and her husband arrived in this province in 1853 in the ship Norman Ferguson in company with a party of men who were under Mr. McKenzie's direction. He was agent of the Puget Sound Agricultural Company, and established Craigflower Farm, with its saw mill and flour mill. Afterwards a bakery was started and bread was supplied by them to Her Majesty's navy. Mr. McKenzie died about 23 years ago, and since then Mrs. McKenzie has occupied the farm at Lake Hill. Four sons and two daughters survive her.

Interviewed in San Francisco by the Call regarding the statement published a short time ago to the effect that the Hawaiian planters have been preparing for a revolt against the Spreckels sugar interests, R. P. Hiltet, M. P., who has returned to San Francisco from the islands, said: "There is any movement toward a concerted action against the Spreckels and the Oceanic Steamship Company I do not know of. The planters are naturally looking around to see where they can get the most for their products. I have heard of a project to establish a refinery at Vancouver, B. C., and if that is to be a greater amount of sugar shipped to here than heretofore I have no knowledge of it. You can quote me as saying that if Spreckels has been published I have no knowledge of it."

After a number of years' absence H.M.S. Amphion steamed into Esquimalt harbor last evening. The vessel is just out from Great Britain, where she last year underwent some material alterations. She was commissioned at Devonport on January 7th, her officers being: Captain Frank Minis (formerly in the Royal Arthur); lieutenant, Hon. Stanhope Hawke, Francis M. Leake, A. Hamilton, Bernard R. S. Winter; Phillips, chaplain; Rev. Thomas Roberts, M.A.; paymaster, Henry W. Bradon; chief engineer, John J. Carey; sub-engineer, Quentin C. A. Crawford; surgeon, Frederick W. Stericker, M.D. (also here in the Royal Arthur); assistant paymaster, Charles E. Lyles; engineer, Harry G. Andrews; assistant engineer, Wm. J. Ford, (temp.); gunners, John Edwards and William C. Pickering; John Swain, William Sweeney; carpenter, Albert A. B. Tozer.

It is said that the early bird catches the worm, but the early Siwash does not always catch the seal. At Barclay Sound a few days ago Jimmy Jim, a well known Indian hunter, made arrangements with several of his fellow-tribesmen to get up early in the morning and go hunting seals. Well, next morning Jimmy slept in, and when he rolled out of his blankets he found that his companions that were to be in the expedition had already been out several hours. Jimmy swore and got down his salmon spoons and fishing gear, for if he was too late to go sealing he could go out fishing. He took his seal hunting outfit with him, and it was well for him that he did, for after he started he came across and quickly slew six seals. The other Indians came back later in the day without a skin, and by then Jimmy had sold his skins and was busily expending the revenue derived therefrom.

From Wednesday's Daily. —The I. O. O. F. excursion committee met last evening when final arrangements were made to hold their annual excursion to Seattle on Saturday, July 24th. The favorite steamer City of Kingston has been secured for the occasion. The I. O. O. F. excursion is an annual event, and the most successful excursion of the year. The fare will be usual be \$150.

—One of the passengers bound to Victoria on the incoming steamer Tacoma, of the Northern Pacific, which is expected to arrive about Sunday next, Rev. B. Chappell, M.A., dean of Theology at the Philander Smith Biblical Institute, Tokio, Japan. Rev. B. Chappell will be remembered by many Victorians, as he preached in various parts of this province several years ago. He will just stay in this city long enough to visit his old friends and then go by way of San Francisco to his old home in the East.

Frederick Landsberg was last evening committed for trial on the charge of stealing a revolver. The case was similar to a previous one in which the charge was dismissed. Mr. Campbell, who laid the information, contended that he had only pawned the revolver, while Mr. Landsberg says he has it for an outright sale. On account of the conflicting evidence the magistrate committed the defendant for trial, allowing him out on personal bail of \$250 and two sureties of \$125 each.

News has been received of the death at Bradford, England, of Mr. Robert Barr, who was one of the pioneers of Vancouver Island. The deceased gentleman was formerly secretary of the East Morley and Bradford Savings Bank, and in May, 1896, he resigned and returned to his home for his last days. He was released from the home in November last. Soon afterwards he disappeared and his friends were ignorant as to what had become of him until on May 28th, when his body was found in the Leeds and Liverpool canal. Mr. Barr, who was 45 years of age at the time of his death, held some good appointments in this province in his earlier days, and was Hudson's Bay Company. He also acted for some time as secretary to Sir James Douglas. He left Victoria and returned to England in 1890.

The funeral of Frank, infant son of Mr. Mark Pike, North Pembroke street, took place to-day at 2.30 p. m. Rev. Mr. Speer officiated at the house and cemetery.

At a meeting of the Victoria Kennel Club, held last evening, it was decided to hold the club's first show on October 1st, the morning there will be oral examinations, and in the afternoon the promotion lists will be read and the prizes distributed. The pupils of the Boys' Central school will be invited to exhibit at the gymnasium at 1.15; the girls at 2, and the high school at 2.45. Friends, parents and the clergy are invited to attend. The pupils of the other schools will be invited to exhibit in their respective schools.

The general superintendent of the United States railway mail service has issued the following order, which is now in effect: "The Canadian office having concurred therein, establish a daily mail service between the Pacific coast and the Heave and Spokane, and between the Heave and Spokane and Spokane postoffice and the Helena and Spokane postoffice on the 1st of the United States, and the post office on the side of Canada; the exchange to be limited, for the present, to mails made up in said railway post offices for the Canadian offices above named; said mails to be made up in the Canadian destinations, articles for which are now included in mails made up in the United States for the same Canadian offices."

From Thursday's Daily. —Mr. W. F. Thompson, proprietor of the H.M.S. Amphion, secured a controlling interest in the Nelson Miner, in the city. It is Mr. Thompson's intention to turn the Miner into a weekly paper, into an afternoon daily, and to make it the most interesting and valuable paper in the future of the Kootenay country.

The sad news was received yesterday by Mr. W. F. Thompson, the proprietor of his nephew, a son of Mr. J. K. Norcott, by drowning at Toronto. The deceased young man, in company with the late Charles E. Lyles, of the Victoria-Texas Company, was on their way to the Humber, and on their way decided to go in for a swim. Northcott, after having swam across the river twice, was making his second trip back, when suddenly he shrank to in from panopions, and then sank beneath the waters of the river to rise no more. He was 18 years of age, and was considered to be one of the brightest students in the Harbor street collegiate institute, where he had taken two gold medals. His father is an ex-alderman of Vancouver.

There were two weddings celebrated at Christ Church Cathedral yesterday. The first, which took place in the afternoon, was that of Mr. George Rogers, of Craigleeta farm, to Miss Lillie Stevens, eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Stevens, of Trowbridge, England. Mr. C. E. Brown supported the groom, while Miss Alice White acted as bridesmaid. The honeymoon will be spent in the Sound, after which Mr. and Mrs. Rogers will take up their residence on Craigleeta farm. In the evening another couple united their fortunes at the cathedral, Mr. Edward Young, of Vancouver, and Miss Susan Townsend, of Victoria. After the ceremony they left for the Sound, where they will spend their honeymoon, after which they will take up their residence in Vancouver. Rev. Canon Beauland officiated at both weddings.

Whiskey produced all the business for the police court this morning. Two white drunks were convicted and discharged and an Indian ditto was fined \$5 and costs. The Chinaman who supplied the liquor to the arrested Indian was fined \$53, or, in default, three months. He selected the latter. Before being arrested John afforded quite a little amusement to the residents of the Chinatown, by the Indian, a good Chinaman in an alley which runs from Cornovant to Pisuquart street, but the Chinaman saw the officer first and, dropping his coat and slippers, made a run for it. The sergeant, however, was somewhat the fastest, and after a long run placed his man under arrest.

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. Annual Meeting Opened in This City This Morning. The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. opened this morning with Grand Master Charles in the chair, and a large number of delegates present. Those present at the morning session, some of the Nanaimo delegates not arriving until this afternoon, were: Victoria—A. B. Erskine, Dr. W. J. Quinlan, R. B. McMillan, D. Wilson, M. H. Thompson, M. Muir and A. Walkeley. New Westminster—Alexander Charles, George Cunningham, Dr. R. E. Walker, W. E. Vanstone. Vancouver—S. N. Jarrett, H. N. Watson, E. Hosker, Wm. Downie, A. E. Lees, W. A. De Wolf Smith, H. A. Rich, J. G. Scott, F. J. Armstrong, C. H. Gatenby, M. Logan. Nanaimo—J. W. Coburn, W. H. S. Perkins. Esquimalt—G. Hickey, John J. Beator, H. G. Geake, W. Tuck. Victoria—M. H. Logan. Rossland—H. J. Raymond. At this morning's session the grand master and deputy grand master read the addresses, the rest of the session being given to routine business. The members will this evening attend the annual divine service at the First Presbyterian church at 7.30, to which the public are cordially invited. The service will be conducted and the sermon preached by the grand chaplain, the Rev. J. A. Logan. On Friday evening the visiting delegates will be banqueted at the Mount Esquimalt hotel by the members of the local lodges.

ON CLAYQUOT SOUND.

Trip of a Party of Seattle Men to the District.

(From the Post-Intelligencer.) With sun-burnt faces and hands, Dr. J. S. Kloeber, W. W. Rhodes and H. H. Rhodes have returned from a six weeks' trip to Clayquot Sound, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, and they bring back a description of that section which should be in no way behind other sections of British Columbia in mineral wealth. W. W. Rhodes gave a clear description of the country to a Post-Intelligencer representative, saying: "We left Victoria on May 1 on the steamer Tees for Clayquot Sound, and spent about forty days in that vicinity, either in a small boat on the sound or camping and cruising up the streams. We went to Canada Lake and to the vicinity of the small islands, and discovered the crest of a mountain range, of which the lower ridges have sunk under the ocean, while the peaks still project, forming many small islands. The country rock apparently is syenite and shaly, with very little granite through it, but there is very little true granite. A big serpentine dike runs nearly north and south about six miles from the coast, and from it veins seem to reach out in both directions. They have a heavy base towards the coast, and in many cases clear to the sea; they probably also extend inland in the opposite direction, but little prospecting has been done there. "There are apparently three classes of ore—small siliceous masses bearing free gold and iron bases, ranging in value from \$12 to \$40; a little very high grade free gold ore, and large iron-capped sulphide ore bodies. There are two locations on which the free gold runs from \$200 to \$800, but the veins are small, one not exceeding one and a half inches. The most important feature is the iron-capped sulphide ore bodies. This specimen (showing a piece of solid iron and copper) is a fine specimen, giving an average of \$83 across the outcrop, \$8 in gold, \$4 silver and 21 per cent. copper. There are also a number of other properties of the same character, ranging in value from the croppings from \$15 to \$85. I find about seven properties in which there would be no risk in putting in money to make mines of them, because there is enough ore in sight by natural development to more than pay the cost of the property, and the necessary improvements necessary to put them on a shipping basis. This natural development occurs in slides, and where the creeks cut through the ledges, exposing large quantities of ore on both sides. For instance, this specimen came from a ledge about a mile from Canada Lake, where a light-haft, steamer could go in from the Sound if a little money were spent on blasting boulders in the Canada river, which is only six miles long. I traveled over this ledge for 300 feet, and if the money had been raised, I could have climbed any further, but I can trace it for a quarter mile further up the mountain, where great masses of ore have broken off and rolled down into the creek. About a mile from this ledge is a ledge with eight feet of solid pyrites and twelve feet of rock containing 50 per cent. of ore of the same character. These two and the Tees, on Deer Creek, are among the best. "Probably about 500 locations have been made to put them on a shipping basis, but outside the Bear River and Deer Creek inlets, which comprise only a very small portion of the country. There is no development of any consequence; there is little going on now, and that is mainly being done by the prospectors. In much of that country no white man has ever been. The Indians are friendly, though they do not speak much English. They show a deep interest in the chickamun, stone, as they call ore, and show a disposition to work at mining. "We had nice weather and a pleasant trip. There is abundance of game and fish to be had for the taking."

THE FERNHILL STAKES.

London, June 10.—Lorillard-Beresford stable's 3-year-old brown gelding Sandita won the Fernhill stakes of 20 sovereigns each, with 300 sovereigns added, at the second day's racing at Ascot Heath to-day.

CELEBRATION SHOOT.

The city gun clubs met last evening and arranged a programme for the shoot which is to take place at Beacon Hill on Wednesday morning next. The crack shots from the Mainland and Sound cities are expected to be present. Here is the programme: Event No. 1—Team shoot, three men, 20 birds; entrance \$4.50 per team; \$50 guaranteed, divided into 50, 30 and 20 per cent. Event 2—Twenty singles; entrance \$1.50, \$20 added; divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent. Event 3—Ten singles and three pairs; entrance \$1.50, \$15 added; divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent. Event 4—Fifteen singles; entrance \$1.50, \$15 added; divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent. Birds are to be deducted at 3 cents each in events 2, 3 and 4. Shooting will commence at 11 a.m. sharp.

"VICTORIA THE GREAT."

New York, June 18.—In its forthcoming issue, the Independent, under the head line "Victoria, the Great," will publish the following poem, written for that paper by Alfred Austin, poet laureate of England: The dew was on the summer lawn, The roses bloomed, the woods were green, When forth there came, as fresh as dawn, A maiden with majestic mien. They girt a crown about her brow, They placed a sceptre in her hand, And lo! she rang out a nation's vow: God guard the lady of the land. And now the cuckoo calls once more, And round her throne her people pour, Recalling sixty years ago: And all the goodly days between, Glory and sorrow, love and pain, The loftiest as the longest Queen, She shared her subjects' bane and bliss, Welcomed the wise, the base withstood, And taught by her clear life it is the greatest greatness to be good. Yet, while for peace she wrought and prayed, She bore the proud, wore the helm, And, mistress of the main, she made An Empire of her island realm. So gathering now, from near, from far, From royal whereon ne'er sets the day, From Southern cross and Northern star, Her people lift their hearts and pray: Longer and longer may she reign, Whence day doth never wholly wane, God spare and bless our Empress Queen. Swinford, Old Manor, Ashford, Kent, England.

JUBILEE SERVICES.

Final Arrangements Made at a Committee Meeting Last Evening. The success of the Jubilee celebration now lies with the general public and the weather. The latter holding good, the public are sure to do their share. As far as the committees are concerned, they have just about completed their work, although the finance committee have not yet closed the subscription list, and any further subscriptions would come in very handy. At their meeting last evening they were asked for increased appropriations, which they were only able to grant on condition that the funds were forthcoming. The request committee asked for another \$100 to provide prizes for the races for the sailors from the U. S. S. Oregon. They were granted \$30 and will receive \$50 more if the money can be raised. The reception fund was increased to \$350, the bonfire appropriation to \$50 and the band committee were voted \$25 additional. Chief Deasy has volunteered to change his vacation from fire fighting to fire lighting for the time being, and will see that the fire at Finlayson's Point burns long and brightly. A meeting of the thanksgiving service committee was also held last evening. It was decided that the military will form a hollow square around the platform on which are the choir and clergy, and facing this platform inside the square will be the seats of the Mayor, Lieutenant-Governor, Admiral and staff and distinguished guests. The military will, before the service, clear enough ground for the societies to form up close to the platform, but outside the soldiers. Out of consideration for the Pioneers all the representatives of the societies were very willing to grant them precedence, and other societies will be given precedence as they arrive on the ground; the ladies' societies, of which there are expected to be some in attendance, will be given favorable places. The services, which will last not more than three-quarters of an hour, will commence at 8.30 sharp, and at 4 the flag will be run up and the whole assemblage join in singing "God Save the Queen." The addresses of the chaplain, Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, and the other clergy, are limited to five minutes each. The clergy are particularly requested to wear either robes of college dress.

CHEERFUL TROUBLES.

Were of the Heart—Human Skill Was Almost Defeated when Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Fell Into the Breach, and in a Few Minutes After, One Dose He Found Great Relief, and Five Bottles Made a Bad Heart a Good One. Wm. Cherry, of Owen Sound, Ont., writes: "For the past two years I have been greatly troubled with weakness of the heart and fainting spells. I tried several remedies, and consulted best physical and medical authorities, but to no purpose. I was advised to try Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. I procured a bottle, and the first dose gave me great relief. The first bottle was used, and after using five bottles there are none of the symptoms remaining whatever. I think it a great boon to mankind."

IN THE LAW COURTS

An Important Case Involving the Title to Mineral Rights on E. & N. Lands.

Trial of Hobbs Versus the Railway Company Commenced This Morning. The trial of Hobbs vs. the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co. commenced this morning before the lordship of the chief justice, Mr. A. E. McPhillips (acting as judge) and C. E. Pooley, Q.C., for the defendants. The plaintiff is a Victoria merchant, and claims that he is entitled in writing in 1880 the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co. to sell to the plaintiff the mineral rights belonging to the defendants in Cranberry district. The agreement contained in a receipt signed by the plaintiff, commissioner and agent of the railway company, and is in the words and figures following: "Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co. Land Department, Victoria B. C., Nov. 28th, 1880. "Received of Frank Vickery Hobbs the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120), being a first payment on account of his purchase from the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co. of one hundred and sixty acres of land in Bright district at a price of three dollars (\$3) per acre, including a set of chains of 2 1/2 miles of district, three running west in Cranberry to Berkeley creek, thence south to Berkeley creek, thence east to Berkeley creek, thence east to chains, thence north to place of purchase, the balance of purchase money to be paid in three equal instalments of seventy-five (75) cents an acre at the expiration of one, two, and three years from date with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum. (Signed) JOHN TRITCH, "Land Commissioner."

According to the statement of the plaintiff paid the first payment of \$120 and entered into possession and built a house on the land, and on the 28th April, 1880, the plaintiff paid the balance of the purchase money due under the said agreement, and also paid the interest, and on the 15th May, 1880, the plaintiff sent the defendant a conveyance of the land, but with a reservation of the right to cut timber and to mine coal and mineral. This Mr. Hobbs refused to accept, claiming that the title with no reservation of any kind. The statement of defence says that John Trutch was not authorized to make the sale of any of the defendant's lands, except with the said reservation, and any contract made by him as agent of the defendants, which did not contain such reservations, was not within the scope of his employment, and was wholly unauthorized by the defendants. The defendant further claims that the agreement amounts to a contract of sale without reservations, then such agreement was entered into by mistake, and the plaintiff further claims that he abandoned the land, and afterwards in 1863, verbally agreed to purchase the land, with the said reservations. It is also pleaded that the corporate seal of the agreement and the Statute of Frauds has not been complied with. The company, it is understood, has discovered coal on the property and is now working the mine, and the plaintiff will likely turn out very valuable property of the importance of the action. County court is sitting to-day with His Honor Judge Harrison presiding. The most important case on the agenda is Foot in which Richard C. Donohue, of Victoria, sues William Foot, of Esquimalt District, for \$230. The plaintiff of this day last year and the beginning of this day certain carpenter work in repairing Foot's house and built more work and subsequently he claims he paid Foot his account at \$230, which Foot signed by his mark "certified correct" and the same was witnessed by Mr. Jones. The defence claims that the plaintiff did a lot of work which was unauthorized and unnecessary and brought suit for \$50 in satisfaction of plaintiff's claim. The defence further claims that defendant's signature was obtained by fraud, as the defendant is a man of advanced years, who from age and infirmity is under disability and was so at the time of plaintiff's employment, and the plaintiff wrongfully took advantage of defendant in the transaction. The trial will likely last all day tomorrow. Archer Martin for plaintiff and Gordon Hunter for defendant.

A HOME THRUST.

Huxley and Matthew Arnold were once walking in Arnold's garden with Dean Farrar, and fell to talking of social duties. Arnold admitted to being fond of dining out. "I rather like to be said," "it is rather nice to meet people." "Oh, yes," replied Huxley, laughing, "but we are not all such everlasting Cupids as you!"

RIGHT FROM THE MINES.

Family Ties May Be Broken in the Grand Rush for Gold, but What's Wealth Without Health—Dr. Agnew's Cathartic Powder is a Wonderful Cure. It Never Fails to Relieve in Ten Minutes. Fred Lawrie, of Trail Creek, B. C., writes: "I have used two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Cathartic Powder, and have been wonderfully helped. I can recommend it very highly to all sufferers from catarrh." And here is another: Mr. B. L. Egan, Easton, Pa., writes: "I was cured of Dr. Agnew's Cathartic Powder would relieve catarrh in 10 minutes. I must say I was far from being convinced of the fact. I decided to try it. I purchased a bottle. A single dose relieved me through the bowels afforded instantaneous relief."

MARRIED.

ROGERS-STEVENS—At Christ Church Cathedral by Rev. Canon Beauland, the Rev. Canon Charles Lee, the oldest son of William Rogers, M.A., of Cheshire, England, to Lillie, only daughter of Dr. Rogers-Stevens, Townbridge, Wiltshire, England.

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Kootenay Mail. A. W. McIntosh came down from...

A wreck of a couple of freight cars... and an engine occurred on the south...

GOLDEN. Golden Era. Forty-nine feet of snow recorded at...

Ross & Pellegri believe grades will... do well at Golden and they intend...

The O.P.R. are filling up the bed of... Mountain creek where it crosses the...

E. Hutcherson, of Ladner nursery, has... arranged with E. A. Morrison, of Lunan...

Splendid showers of rain have been... experienced in the Columbia Valley...

F. W. Ayler returned to Golden on... Tuesday, having been away about six...

H. Carmichael, provincial assayer, assures... us that there is no justification so...

At Nelson, the Kootenay... John M. McPhee, the Kaslo man...

Lean brothers of this city. In all about... 1,000 men will be employed this summer...

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SUNDAY, JUNE 20.

Special Thanksgiving Service at Beacon Hill at 3:30 p.m.

10:00 a.m.—Champion Lacrosse Match at Galedonia Park.

3 p.m.—GRAND MILITARY REVIEW by Her Majesty's Land and Sea Forces.

Evening—Brilliant illumination of the magnificent new Parliament Buildings.

World Circling Beacon Fire to be seen at points from Beacon Hill.

Pyrotechnical Display at Galedonia Park. Band Promenade Concert at the Mount Baker Hotel, Oak Bay.

MONDAY, JUNE 21.

9 a.m.—Rifle Competition (open to all comers) at Clover Point.

1 p.m.—GRAND REGATTA at Victoria Harbor. All amateur races under auspices of James Bay A.A.C.

Single scull and four-oared races. Ten-oared naval cutter. Two-oared pleasure. Five-oared single banked. Six-oared whaler.

Mr. Corbin suggested that more money should be appropriated for the purchase of the government maps and lakes for erecting additional monuments to which mineral claims might be tied.

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MAIL CONTRACTS.

Separate sealed tenders, addressed to the Postmaster-General, will be received at Ottawa until noon of the 16th and 23rd, July next, respectively.

Alberni and Nanaimo and East Sooke and Main Post Road.

Fulford Harbor and Burgoyne Bay.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the above post-office until 4th inst.

E. H. FLETCHER, Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office, Victoria, B.C., 4th June, 1897.

MUCH BUSINESS

Done by the City Council Yesterday Evening—Claimants Ask for a Compromise.

Hon. J. S. Helmcken Writes Again re Invertavish Estate—Col. Peters' Cow.

City Engineer Reports on the Work Being Done at Waterworks—Revenue By-Law Passed.

At the meeting of the city council held yesterday evening at the city hall, all the members of the board of aldermen were present except Ald. McGregor and Hall. After the minutes of the previous meetings had been disposed of, Ald. Harrison wanted to know if anything had been done in regard to holding the postponed meeting in connection with the Wilson inquiry. The mayor replied that it was in the hands of the council, but no date had as yet been chosen.

Ald. Kinsman said he wanted to see the inquiry carried on to the end, and let the public know all about it. He had nothing to shrink from and nothing to fear in this matter and would stay with the proceedings to the end. The subject was then dropped and the communications were considered.

The first letter received was another from Hon. J. S. Helmcken re the much-discussed Invertavish estate. Dr. Helmcken wrote as follows:

"Having received the complicated and confusing report adopted on June 7 by your honorable body in re the Invertavish nursery I now beg to call the attention of your honorable body to the other part of my letters and also to those already received from the legal firm of Drake, Jackson & Helmecken, acting on my behalf, on the same subject, namely, the draining of and the carrying off the storm water from the public park and surrounding parts, which water the corporation have directed to and caused to be pumped over the estate to its injury; its ingress encroaches on the egress presented or not provided for. As a temporary expedient, the corporation of the time were granted permission to erect a flume to carry off some of the water, to the corporation promising to remedy the evil at an early date, but lo and behold it suddenly vanished, leaving not a track behind, save the sketches, remedial schemes and plans which they had directed your engineer to make, and which I was informed he had received instructions partly to carry out. I now respectfully ask your honorable body to inform me whether any, and if any, what portion or portions of the estate will be required by you for draining purposes aforesaid or for the extension of Vancouver to Wallace street and its drainage. Further, that your honorable body will favor me with a copy of the plan the corporation intends to follow and the work by them to be done, as without these I am hampered by numerous hindrances as well as expensive difficulties.

Your engineer, Mr. Wilmut, having made the plans, inspected the ground and obtained much knowledge, will be able to give me information which it will be at once my duty and my pleasure to supplement should your honorable body so desire.

"J. S. HELMCKEN."

This letter was received and referred to the streets committee and city engineer to report upon.

W. G. Gillespie, city clerk of the city of Blaine, Wash., wrote inviting the mayor and aldermen to attend the celebration to be held in that city on July 4th. Accepted with thanks.

Col. Peters wrote as follows in reference to his complaint about the pound-keeper:

"One more reference to the cow question. As I told you on the day of the outrage my man was hunting for his cow mounted. He met a man who said he saw the poundkeeper taking them down Head street road. He went there and found a man on a bay horse with a Mexican saddle and a rope at the pommel. This man stated he was taking the cows to pound, and resisted my man in every way as he tried to drive the cattle back. This I think was pretty good grounds on which to judge that my cattle had got into the poundkeeper's grip. Well, after I got a copy of the report of the pound committee, I sent my man out to the poundkeeper's house to see him, and when he got there he found it was not the cattle lifter he had detected. Therefore I have nothing to say except that I express my sorrow to the gentlemen of the committee for having cast reflections on the pound-keeper, and hope they will accept my apology. In the meantime I will get upon the somewhat obliterating trail of the true ravisher, and if discovered may I beg that you will allow me to undertake a Jubilee lynching affair at Macaulay's Plains, where any day you may look for the gruesome sight of the criminal hanging to a scrub oak as a warning to anyone who attempts to cause friction between Her Majesty's civil and military forces."

This letter was received and the Colonel's apology accepted.

Rev. J. P. Hicks wrote on behalf of the Ministerial Association protesting against the concert being given by a brass band at Beacon Hill Park, and against the citizens' money being expended for that purpose. Received and filed.

The Mayor then called the attention of the Park committee to the fact that as the Jubilee services were to be held at Beacon Hill on Sunday afternoon next, the concert this week should be given on Saturday afternoon.

Onions & Pimiento asked for permission to place four posts of the edge of the sidewalk in front of their store for decorative purposes for the Jubilee celebration. Received and filed, and the request granted, with the proviso that the posts erected are to be removed immediately after the conclusion of the celebration.

The city solicitor wrote in reference to the matter of the conveyance of the old cemetery on Blanchard street to the city. He said that he had spoken to Mr. Gore of the lands and works department, on the subject, and Mr. Gore had then informed him that he did not think there would be any difficulty in the way of having the cemetery conveyed to the city.

The letter was received and filed, and the city solicitor notified to proceed at once to have the property deeded to the city.

City Solicitor Mason wrote saying that he had received letters from Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmecken in reference to the cases of Peatt vs. the corporation, Priestly infants vs. the corporation, James vs. the corporation, Jordan vs. the corporation, and Potts vs. the corporation, suggesting a compromise in the event of the city being ultimately found liable for the accident. The letters read as follows:

"C. Dubois Mason, City Solicitor, Victoria.

(Without Prejudice)

"In view of the present findings of the jury in the actions of Gordon vs. the city of Victoria and Paterson vs. the city of Victoria, we have to ask whether it is not possible for us to arrive at a settlement of this suit out of court. We may say that our client does not press for vindictive damages, but would be willing to meet the corporation of the city of Victoria in a fair effort to compromise without further litigation; and should this proposition coming from you meet with any encouragement, we are prepared to discuss with you the question of the reasonable amount of damages to which we are entitled. We are ready to base our proposition on the assumption that no responsibility should attach should it be ultimately held that the city is not legally liable to you."

"Yours truly,"

"Drake, Jackson & Helmecken."

Ald. Partridge moved that the communication be received and referred to the city solicitor and city barrister to report.

Ald. McCandless was of opinion that the council should take the matter into consideration themselves and see what could be done. Ald. Stewart agreed with Ald. McCandless. He wanted to have a special meeting of the council to be held for that purpose and the city solicitor and city barrister asked to attend the meeting.

Ald. Partridge did not see why such a course should be taken. The city was not liable; they had been told so again and again by the city solicitor and city barrister and why should they want to meet them again. Both of these gentlemen were confident, he said, that the city would ultimately come out on top in the litigation now pending in that connection.

The city solicitor reported on the matter of the Jubilee traffic. At this point Ald. Harrison and some other aldermen asked the city engineer to say about the repairs being made to Rock Bay bridge. Some time ago the streets committee had recommended that the bridge be replanked, and before the work was commenced Ald. Harrison said he told the city engineer to see that the bridge was in proper repair before it was replanked. Mr. Wilmut then said the bridge was all right, and now after the planking is completed he is tearing it up again and fixing stringers, piles, etc. Ald. Harrison wished it to be distinctly understood that the street committee were in no way responsible for this state of affairs.

The mayor said he was surprised when he learned that repairs were necessary to Rock Bay bridge, but as the repairs were necessary they should be made. It was necessary that the public should be satisfied that the bridges were safe, and when making his inspection City Engineer Wilmut had bored some of the stringers and piles and found them in bad condition. In consequence he was now replacing them.

Ald. Stewart was also of this opinion. Ald. Wilson could recite a deadly parallel to the case in point. Practical-ly the same thing occurred on James Bay bridge last year. Aldermen got the blame because city officials got about

with their eyes shut. Why, when they were repairing James Bay bridge last year they were laying down the sidewalk on the old and rotten beams until he stopped them.

In response to a question from one of the aldermen, the mayor said that by the estimate of the city engineer it would take \$500 to complete the repairs to Rock Bay bridge.

Ald. McCandless said that as the city engineer was authorized to put the bridge in repair he should be allowed to do so. In the near future he hoped that the bridge would be done away with. The mayor also wanted to see the abolition of Rock Bay bridge and the traffic go by way of a road around the head of the bay.

The following report was submitted by the city engineer in reference to the work at Beaver Lake: To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen—

Gentlemen—I have the honor to submit the following report on the work being done at the reservoir under the supervision of Mr. George Glover. Besides preparing the plan for the concrete dam, Mr. Glover has been excavating in order to repair the waste pipe from the filter bed, which extends along the reservoir side, and is covered with a concrete bed and the reservoir, at an elevation a little below that of the concrete floor of the filter bed, is not in working order. As this waste pipe is not in working order, the water which is filtered through the filter bed, and is covered with a concrete floor, is not in working order. The only way to get clear of the water would be either to pump it out or cut through the dam and drain it into the reservoir. Of the two I would recommend the adoption of the former method, as the embankment on account of the present condition of the dam, would be a dam between the filter beds and the reservoir, and cutting into it would be a serious matter.

Mr. Glover has also excavated to a considerable depth in the reservoir for the purpose of finding out and plugging up the water leaks under the central wall from the filter bed to the reservoir. From the fact that water came up through the bottom of the dam, and the water from the pump from which the contractors pumped during the construction of the works to keep the water down, it was inferred that the water was coming up through the pipe referred to. But I am convinced that even if the pipe were found and plugged up, the water would still find its way into the reservoir, as the water from the excavation already made through the rubble stone work surrounding the old pump foundation would find its way into the reservoir.

From information received as to the nature of the material on which the main dam wall and the wall between the reservoir and the filter bed are built, observations recently made, I am convinced that water finds its way from outside the main wall under the filter beds into the reservoir.

I consider it is not reasonably practicable to make the works water-tight when the main dam wall and the wall between the filter bed and the reservoir are built for a portion of their length on porous gravel, and when in the filter beds dry concrete is used for the concrete. The division walls are constructed through their whole length, extending in the case of the central foundation, through the concrete and down to the hard bottom, and when in addition to the above causes of leakage, the walls themselves are porous. The work of laying the pipes, and the work of laying the filter beds through the water in the main dam wall is in progress. The work will be completed on Monday, and tested from the inside, and also by letting water against the main dam wall.

Respectfully submitted, A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

One of the aldermen moved that this report be laid on the table, and this motion was carried by a majority vote. He did not want to lay this document on the table. He did not want any delay in the matter at all, for he wanted to be able to drink filtered water from Beaver Lake this year. He did not see the objection to the report being laid on the table, and he changed the motion to lay the report on the table, and the matter for themselves, for they had some good, practical men among their number. There was Ald. Kinsman, for instance; he would stake his pile on the report being laid on the table. The mayor said the plans had not been changed.

Ald. Partridge differed with the mayor. He said they had been changed. Ald. McCandless thought that the work should be carried right on. If the present engineer was not capable of finishing the work they should get one who was.

The mayor said that the engineer if left alone was perfectly capable of carrying on the work.

The motion that the report be laid on the table was finally carried.

Mr. Hutchison, superintendent of the electric light department, wrote in explanation of the complaints that had been made that on the morning of June 11th at 1:45 the lamps were not going. The plan, he said, was now being erected on the moonlight system, which prevented the adoption of any pre-arranged schedule of running hours. Owing to the uncertainty of the weather element it must be clear that the superintendent must use his own discretion in directing the run of the plant from day to day.

"On the evening of the 9th I gave instructions that no run of the plant would be made until further notice, and in so doing I was simply working in accordance with the practice which has been carried out for years past in this department. The practice referred to is that no run of the plant be made when the duration of lighting is so short as to involve a great expenditure of fuel in preparing for the run the way is required for the supply of light. On the morning complained of no street lights were necessary at 1 a.m., and consequently the longest period of darkness that could be expected would be from 1:15 to 2:30 a.m., and in all a run of 1 1/4 hours at a time in the morning when but few would be inconvenienced. When the fact is taken into consideration that the consumption of fuel in preparation for a run of one hour is the same as required in preparation for a run of 14 hours, it will be readily conceded that whether or not the practices referred to is judicious, it is certainly economical. I desire also to

point out that the present season of the year presents the most favorable opportunity for repairs to the plant, and it is important that unnecessary runs be avoided so that the full staff will be available for day duty, otherwise it would be necessary to have recourse to outside assistance."

Regarding the complaint that appeared in the Colonist of the 11th inst., he said he would refrain from comment, as that matter will be carefully attended to. "The practice of attacking the reputation of civic officials having lately assumed the nature of a pleasant pastime."

The letter was received and filed.

The street committee reported recommending that a sidewalk be laid on the north side of Yates street from Oriental alley to Steitz's restaurant at a cost not to exceed \$90. The report was adopted.

The waterworks committee reported that four tenders were received for the supply of bricks for the bottom of the filter bed at Beaver Lake, and the contract had been awarded to the lowest tenderers, Messrs. Eiford & Smith, who supply the bricks for \$5 per thousand.

For the supply of cement there was but one tender, from R. P. Ribbet & Co., offering cement at \$2.90 a barrel. This tender was accepted.

Ald. Partridge wanted to know what was the use of buying bricks before the slope were completed, and again, where was the money coming from to buy the bricks?

Ald. Stewart was surprised to hear these remarks from Ald. Partridge, for he had been at the special meeting of the committee when the matter had been decided. As to what was the use of buying the bricks, Ald. Stewart said that every one was needed for the floor of the filter bed.

The report was adopted.

The finance committee reported recommending the appropriation of the sum of \$2,844.95 for the payment of the bills of the week. This report was also adopted and the appropriation made.

The council then went into committee of the whole with the mayor in the chair for the consideration of Ald. McCandless' motion by-law amending the revenue by-law of 1893 to meet the requirements of the municipal clauses act. This by-law was reported complete after a short discussion by the committee and after being read a third time it was carried by a majority vote.

The council adjourned at 11 p.m.

THE CROW'S NEST RY.

Full Text of the Resolutions Providing for the Construction of the Road.

Conditions Upon Which C. P. E. Receives the Subsidy of \$11,000 per Mile for 330 miles.

Ottawa, June 10.—The government resolutions for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway were brought down to-night. The Canadian Pacific receives in money \$11,000 a mile for 330 miles on the following conditions:

A. The company will construct the railway by such route and according to such descriptions and specifications and within such time or times as may be provided for in the agreement, and when completed will operate the same for ever.

B. The railway shall be constructed through the town of Macleod, and a station shall be established therein, unless the government-in-council is satisfied by the company that it is good cause for constructing the railway outside the limits of the town, in which case the railway shall be located and a station established at a distance of not greater than five hundred yards from the said town limits.

C. So soon as the railway is opened for traffic to Kootenay Lake, the local rates and tolls on that railway, and on any other railway used in connection therewith, and now or hereafter loaned or leased by, or operated on account of the company south of the company's main line in British Columbia, as well as the rates to and between any point on any such line or lines of railway, and any point on the main line of the company throughout Canada, or any other railway owned or leased by, or operated on account of the company, including its line of steamers in British Columbia, shall be first approved by the government-in-council or by a railway commission, if and when such commission is established by law, and at all times thereafter, and from time to time be subject to revision and control in manner aforesaid.

D. That a reduction shall be made in the general rates and tolls of the company as now charged, or as certified by its present freight tariff, whichever rates are now lowest on carloads or otherwise, upon the classes of merchandise hereinafter mentioned, westbound from and including Port William, on the company's main line, or on any line of railway throughout Canada owned or leased by, or operated on account of the company, whether shipment be by the all rail line or by lake and rail, and such reduction to be to the extent of the following percentages, respectively, namely: Upon all coal and fresh fruit, 23 1/3 per cent.; coal oil, 20 per cent.; agricultural implements of all kinds, 10 per cent.; Canadian plates, galvanized sheet pipe, sheet fittings, nails, spikes and horse shoes, 10 per cent.; all kinds of wire, 10 per cent.; glass, 10 per cent.; roofing felt, box and packing, 10 per cent.; paints, all kinds, and oils, 10 per cent.; live stock, 10 per cent.; wooden ware, 10 per cent.; household furniture, such reduced rates or tolls shall be hereafter charged by the company upon any such merchandise which shall be carried by the company between the points aforesaid, such reductions to take effect on or before the first of January, 1898.

E. There shall be a reduction in the company's present rate and tolls on grain and flour from all points on its main line, branches or connections west of Fort William and Port Arthur and points east, of 3 cents per hundred pounds, to take effect in the following manner: 1 cent per hundred pounds on or before the first day of September, 1898, and an additional 1 cent per hundred pounds on or before the first day of September, 1899, and no higher rates or tolls shall be charged after the dates mentioned on such merchandise from the points aforesaid.

F. The railway committee of the privy council may grant running powers over the line of railway and its branches or connections, on any portions thereof, and all lines of railway now or hereafter owned or leased by, or operated on account of the company in British Columbia, as well as the company's main line of railway, and the necessary use of its tracks, station and station grounds to any other railway company applying for such grant, upon such terms and conditions as may be fixed and determined, and according to the provisions of the railway act, and of other such general acts relating to railways as may, from time to time, be passed by parliament. Nothing herein shall be held to imply that such running powers might not be so granted without the special provision herein contained.

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H. That if the company or any other company with whom it shall have any arrangement on the subject, shall by constructing said railway or any part of it as stipulated for in said agreement become entitled to and shall get any land as a subsidy from the government of British Columbia, then such lands, excepting therefrom those which in the opinion of the director of the geological survey of Canada (expressed in writing) are coal bearing land, shall be disposed of by the company or by such other person or persons as the government in council may direct, and at prices not exceeding those prescribed from time to time by the government in council, having regard to the then existing provincial regulations applicable thereto, the expression "X lands" including all mineral and timber lands, which shall be disposed of as aforesaid either with or without land as the government-in-council may direct.

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ALMIGHTY VOICE'S BROTHER On the Warpath to Avenge the Death of His Chief.

Winnipeg, June 14.—A Regina, Northwest Territory, dispatch to the Press says: The irritation among the Indians in consequence of the killing of the police is assuming an ugly character. Fifteen Indians have attacked the firm of Mr. Gordon between Siskatoon and Duck Lake, and killed all the mounted police left Regina the morning to proceed to the spot by train. The police are being held at the instigation of the outrages is a family concern of Almighty Voice, called Almighty Voice's brother.

Winnipeg, June 14.—The latest news of the Indian troubles near Duck Lake is to the effect that it is not known positively that any cattle have been killed. The discontents are from one Arrow's reserve, where Almighty Voice lived, and they complain that they have not received their rations and have no food. They had, therefore, left the reserve to dig roots, and it is believed did not hesitate to kill cattle. The killing was telegraphed by Commissioner Howler, N. W. M. P., to Commissioner Pickett, who replied from Swift Current that if the men will go back to the reserve they will be fed. Inspector Wilson of Duck Lake, was instructed by the police to endeavor to persuade the Indians back to the reserve and there feed them. They are to assist those who have been cattle killing or stealing, and even with those who are to be used to induce a voluntary surrender.

CABLE FLASHES. Siddons' Statue—Pacific Cable—Ocean Accident.

London, June 14.—Sir Henry Irving today unveiled the monument to Mrs. Sarah Scott Siddons, the famous English actress, on Baddington Green, where she remains were interred years ago.

Queensland, June 14.—The speech at the opening of parliament tomorrow by Lord Lamington, the governor of Queensland, will express the hope that the Pacific cable scheme will be carried into effect at an early date. He will emphasize the importance of this undertaking to Australian development.

London, June 14.—In consequence of overloading, a terrible accident has occurred in the Gath colliery at Maesteg, Glamorganshire, Wales. The cage precipitated to the bottom of a shaft 200 feet deep. Ten men were killed.

EARTHQUAKES IN INDIA. Further Reports Regarding the Damage Done on Saturday.

Calcutta, June 16.—Further reports of the destruction caused by the earthquakes last Saturday show that damage was done at Dacca, Jamalpur and Murshidabad. At the latter place the Nawab had a miraculous escape. Great injury was done to the installations at Assam, Cachar and Dima, where a number of factories and the change houses were wrecked. At Krishnagar, Mysore and Sikkim the courts and treasuries were demolished. It is expected that the Jubilee illuminations will be abandoned, and the money which it was proposed to expend on them will be devoted to relieving distress among the earthquake sufferers.

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