

CITY COUNCIL

FIRST MEETING OF NEW BOARD TO-NIGHT

A Reference to Some Big Problems Confronting Board This Year

(From Monday's Daily.)

The city council's annual inaugural session, following the general elections which fix for another year the personnel of the board, is always a more than ordinarily interesting event in municipal circles, but there are some special circumstances attendant upon to-night's meeting which will make the session an exceptional one in many respects; and it may be anticipated, therefore, that there will be a goodly attendance of spectators.

The first session of a newly installed board is usually seized upon by the mayor as an occasion to indicate to his colleagues the scope and character of the chief civic undertakings which will engage their attention for the ensuing twelve months, and Mayor Morley may be expected to do the same this evening. The problems confronting the board are easily the most important that have ever been advanced in the history of the city. The project for the bringing of water from Sooke Lake is in itself a task so huge that had the board not other business before it its time might well be fully occupied; but there are other projects arising out of the growth and development of the city, the successful execution of the work of the board, the improvement of trunk roads, the extension of Pandora avenue, the enlargement of the sewerage system, the carrying out of the details of the work of the board, the extension of View street, the protection of the city's interests in the matter of the sub-division of the Songles Indian reserve, not to mention the catching up with some two million dollars worth of works of local improvements which are being completed during the past twelve months.

Besides some routine business which will be transacted at this evening's meeting of the council, the mayor will announce the personnel of the standing committees for the year. As for the Saturday issue of the Times, Ald. Gleason will be given the most important post outside the mayor's office that of the chairmanship of the streets committee. Ald. Gleason, having had previous experience with every credit to himself and satisfaction to the community. The mayor's inaugural address may be expected to contain some reference to suggested ways and means for the carrying out of the will of the people on the problem of an increased water supply; and it is anticipated that he will look to the formation of a permanent water committee, whose duty it will be to supervise everything in connection with the huge task of bringing water from Sooke Lake.

As regards the improvement of the trunk roads of the city, Times readers will recall that immediately on taking office in 1910 Mayor Morley made a strenuous endeavor to have the council embark upon a fixed policy in this connection. The engineer proposed plans for the improvement of certain thoroughfares, which were designated trunk roads, and it was determined to proceed with the work, but the accumulation of other works in the engineering department was so over-whelming that little or nothing was done. His Worship made it clear, however, in his recent speech to the legislature that he will tolerate no such procrastination this year, for he stated in the most specific terms that he intended to re-elected to see that the Esquimalt and Gorge roads were paved their entire length, as far as the city limits, during the year 1911.

It is likely that the mayor will tonight also make some reference to the fact, imposed upon the board this year in view of the mandate from the people on the question submitted in the referendum by-law. They have pronounced in favor of the election of license and police commissioners rather than their appointment as at present, the abolition of saloon and bottle licenses and the tax on improvements, the council will no doubt be asked to take the task at an early date of considering ways and means to give effect to this expressed desire of the electorate. The legislative committee will probably be asked to prepare the necessary memorial to the legislature so that the municipal act may be amended to empower the board to legislate along lines to give effect to the decision of the people.

At the time when the questions set out in the referendum by-law were before the council it was decided, despite a protest from the mayor, to strike out that referring to the erection of a new city hall. The mayor is strongly of the opinion that the time has arrived when the present obsolete structure which does duty as a city hall should be abandoned for a more modern building, and it is anticipated that the importance of the capital city of a great

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ENABLING BILL

IS NOT SO EASY

Rumored That Members of the Court of Revision Blundered Knowingly

(From Monday's Daily.)

The one topic of conversation in circles where municipal matters are of paramount interest is the development imperiling the positions of the mayor and his colleagues at the council board elected on Thursday last because of the alleged flaw in the procedure followed by the court of revision in the preparation of the voters' lists.

It is alleged with the utmost circumstantially that during the recent sessions of the court of revision, which was composed of Mayor Morley, Ald. Rannerman and Ald. Sargison, the city solicitor, F. A. McDermid, pointed out the position that while the procedure was doubtful it might be as well to follow the same procedure as in former years and "take a chance" of having the government pass an enabling bill afterwards. In the event of the procedure being disputed, the members of the court of revision took the advice of its own solicitor, but it is contended by those familiar with governmental practice in these matters that the legislature will, in face of the alleged fact that the court of revision persisted in its procedure without the advice of its own solicitor, refuse to pass an enabling bill.

In view of the application of B. J. Perry to have the election quashed because of what is claimed to be faulty procedure, the case is, of course, subject to the decision of the court, but the familiar with governmental practice in these matters that the legislature will, in face of the alleged fact that the court of revision persisted in its procedure without the advice of its own solicitor, refuse to pass an enabling bill.

SHIPPERS OPPOSE INCREASED RATES

Declare Advances by Railways Would Cost Them \$12,000,000 Annually

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—Declaring that the proposed increase in railroad rates would cost them not less than \$12,000,000 annually, western shippers to-day made a more bitter attack on the proposed advance at the final hearing of the matter before the interstate commerce commission. The loss, they asserted, was reckoned definitely on the sixty commodities directly affected, but they averred that the sum would be still further increased by sympathetic increases on other articles not definitely specified.

Combating assertions of the railroads, the shippers declared that traffic profits on the roads had increased enormously in recent years, and that if the net returns were smaller it was because of the watering of books and the transference of expenses by the roads to hide their real condition.

PRESENT DEMAND FOR MORE WAGES

Dispatchers on Northwestern Railways Ask for Increase of \$25 a Month

(Times Leased Wire.)

Portland, Ore., Jan. 16.—Train dispatchers employed on all northwestern railroads to-day presented demands for a salary increase of \$25 per month. Trainmasters also made a demand for a substantial addition to the remuneration they now receive.

The dispatchers based their demand on the grounds that their work has practically doubled recently, owing to the rapid growth of traffic, while their salaries have practically remained stationary.



WHAT HE WOULD LIKE TO DO.

GIRL IS KILLED WHILE COASTING

Another Fatality at Vancouver

Nine Persons Injured When Sled Collides With Telegraph Pole in Seattle

Vancouver, Jan. 16.—The second coasting fatality of the week occurred at the corner of Yew and York streets, at Kistilano, on Saturday afternoon, Mitchell Dolsen, of 2252 Third avenue west, being the victim.

With a number of companions the young girl left the house early in the afternoon to glide down the hill on Yew street. The little girl, lying on a sled, was coming down the hill at a rapid pace, as an express wagon turned from York street to go up the hill. The girl was absolutely powerless to stop herself, she lunged at the corner, and the next moment her small form dived between the two and rear wheels of the vehicle, the latter portion of the wagon passing over her chest and crushing her life out.

Doctors A. L. Johnson and W. H. Lang were summoned, and they pronounced that death had been almost instantaneous. The city ambulance was then called, and the body was removed to the home of the parents.

Earlier in the week, a fourteen-year-old boy was killed as a result of coasting on a hill in South Vancouver.

COAL SHORTAGE IN SASKATCHEWAN

Many Dealers Have Exhausted Supply

Scarcity of Fuel at Qu'Appelle Results in Closing Down of Light Plant

Regina, Jan. 16.—While so far no complaints have been received by the department of agriculture, there is little doubt that unless there is shortly some let up in the present severe spell of weather, something like a fuel famine will be experienced in many parts of the province. Already shortages exist at Qu'Appelle, Arcola, Prince Albert and several other points, and stocks of coal and wood are beginning to get extremely low at many other places.

Here, in Regina, some of the coal dealers have already exhausted their supply, while others will soon be out of coal. The scarcity of fuel has led to shutting down of the light plant. Dispatchers from Arcola state that four of the local coal yards have exhausted their supplies.

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Summers in Moose Mountain district are suffering considerably and if the present train blockade continues it is likely the government will be asked to allow farmers to cut wood from Moose Mountain forest reserve without getting permits ordinarily required.

MINE DISASTER DUE TO ROCKSLIDE

Verdict of Coroner's Jury at Bellevue

Stricter Adherence to Coal Mines Act is Urged—More Inspectors Needed

Bellevue, Alta., Jan. 16.—The jury in the coroner's inquest into the cause of the deaths of thirty-one men in the Bellevue mine, December 9, arrived at a verdict after hearing the expert evidence of Jas. Ashworth, the last witness examined.

The verdict is as follows: "We, the jury in this case, find that thirty men came to their death by carbon monoxide poison, and that one man came to his death by carbon monoxide poison and fractured skull. The carbon monoxide being generated by the explosion caused by a rock slide which occurred about seventy-six and seventy-eight chutes."

The following riders were attached to the verdict: "1. That more inspectors be appointed. 2. That a Dragger apparatus station be established in this district. 3. That telephones be established in underground workings under the supervision of the chief inspector wherever practicable. 4. That a thorough investigation be made of means of preventing loss of life by cave-ins in mines. 5. We consider that negligence is in evidence on the part of operators and miners in the carrying out of the Coal Mines Act and we would most strongly recommend a stricter adherence to the intent of the act."

William J. Lighthart, one of the jurors, concurred in the verdict as far as the cause of death being from carbon monoxide poison, but recorded his dissent as to the carbon monoxide having been caused by the cave-in of rock.

WOULD BIND THE TIES OF EMPIRE

SUGGESTION REGARDING CORONATION IN LONDON

Proposal That Colonial Representatives Should Take Part—All-Red Projects

(Special to the Times.)

London, Jan. 16.—Lord Strathcona, speaking against the suggestion that colonial representatives should have a part in the coronation ceremonies, says that such would be hailed by Canadians as a priceless privilege and would mark a further advance along the path of imperial union. In Canada loyalty to the Crown is the outstanding feature of national life and the imperial idea has gripped in Canada as never before. "How far the suggested innovation is possible I am unable to say, but I am sure His Majesty will see that the colonies are adequately represented," said Lord Strathcona.

Seeking Information. Professor Hewins, speaking at Rochdale, stated that when parliament opens the Unionists would want to know what the government has been doing regarding the situation which has long been developing between Canada and the United States, and what has been done in regard to the definite pledge of the All-Red project.

GOES TO LONDON.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 16.—Owing to the serious illness from pneumonia of N. B. Colock, Ontario government agent in London, Hon. Dr. Reaume, minister of public works, has gone to England to oversee the commencement of the work of reconstructing the Ontario government office building on the Strand.

FORMER BANKER SENT TO JAIL

TRAVERS GIVEN SIX YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

Warrant Issued for Arrest of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, Who is a Fugitive

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 16.—W. R. Travers, former manager of the Farmers' Bank, who pleaded guilty on Friday to stealing \$40,000 from the bank, to falsifying returns to the Government and altering a minute, was to-day sentenced to six years in Kingston penitentiary.

There will be the usual shortening of the sentence due to good conduct, but even at that, the penalty imposed was quite as severe as the public generally had been inclined to believe would be the case. Travers took his sentence quite calmly.

Meeting Tuesday. Startling disclosures are indicated for the meeting of the Farmers' Bank stockholders and depositors to-morrow. It is understood the liquidator, S. T. Clarkson, has probed into the affairs of the bank from its flotation to its collapse and has information fully covering the steps which led to its failure and the sensational developments which followed. Any shareholder or any depositor will have the right at the meeting to-morrow to ask any question and to be given any information the liquidator has in his possession.

"Does the confession of Travers mean that the lid is on the Farmers' bank case?" was asked Mr. Clarkson. "By no means," he replied. "I mean to give the matter the fullest publicity."

Arrest Expected.

Toronto, Jan. 16.—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt. By about twelve hours he eluded the local police, who had gone to his summer home in Muskoka. When last seen he was driving for Niagara, and others boarded a C. N. train. The crown authorities, however, are determined to capture Dr. Nesbitt, as they claim he can explain to them a lot of things about the way much of the money of the Farmers' Bank went.

Canada and the United States are to be flooded with circulars giving a description of the fugitive and a reward for his arrest.

Inquiry Suggested.

St. Thomas, Ont., Jan. 16.—Rev. Geo. Gilmore, who has been appointed to represent the depositors and stockholders of the defunct Farmers' Bank from this section, at the meeting in Toronto on Tuesday, will press for four things: First, he will ask for the prosecution of any officers or acting officers of the bank who may have behaved in any original manner. Second, the appointment of a royal commission to investigate the affairs of the bank since its inception.

Third, the amending of the Banking Act to insure direct and indirect government inspection or audit.

Fourth, to amend the act to make the directors of chartered banks severally and personally liable and responsible for all losses incurred.

JOSEPH MARTIN'S TRIP.

Arrives at Winnipeg on Way to the Coast.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 16.—Joseph Martin, M. P. for East St. Francis, arrived here yesterday and leaves to-morrow on a flying visit to the coast on business trip. He expects to push through Winnipeg in a few days on his way to the Old Country for the opening of parliament.

ASK INCREASED WAGES.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 16.—Following the announcement that the seasonal indemnity of the members of the Ontario legislature is to be increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500 per session, the messengers at the parliament buildings are agitating for an increase in their modest emoluments. The regular messengers receive \$70 per year and the seasonal messengers \$20 per day.

JUMP PROVES FATAL.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 16.—Remarking to friends that most people, especially women, never know how to get off a moving car properly, J. O. Nickker leaped from a street car to show his companions how to alight correctly, fell and fractured his skull, dying a few hours later.

After Nickker was injured he jumped up, and while explaining that his feat would have been successful if the pavement had not been wet, he became unconscious.

KILLED BY STREET CAR.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 16.—A South Park street car, skidding on icy rails at First avenue south and Atlantic avenue on Saturday, crashed into an express car on the track, and instantly killed Ole Peterson, who was riding in the wagon, and seriously injured James Tafley, who had been sitting beside Peterson.

KILLED BY FALLING WALL.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 16.—In a fire which destroyed the Griswold Motor & Boat Company's plant, Captain Levi T. Fletcher, of engine company No. 12, was caught under a falling wall and killed.

CHINAMAN ENDS LIFE IN FURNACE

After Filling the Furnace With Wood, He Crawls on Fuel and is Cremated

Nelson, B. C., Jan. 16.—An extraordinary case of suicide by a Chinaman who was hired as a porter at the Strathcona hotel, occurred yesterday. At 8 o'clock in the morning he was sent to attend to the furnace, which was nearly out. He filled it with wood turned on the drafts and apparently crawled on the top of the fuel. When found at 9 by other Chinamen at the hotel he had been burned to death and most of his body had been consumed. An inquest will be held. It is believed he was deranged.

INJURIES PROVE FATAL.

Calgary, Jan. 16.—John Samuel Sayre, formerly of Osceola, Iowa, and manager of a local automobile agency, died in the Holy Cross hospital from injuries received in an automobile accident in the First street subway.

TWO INJURED BY EXPLOSION OF GAS

One Man Hurlled Twelve Feet and Another Almost Buried Under the Wall

(Special to the Times.)

Windsor, Jan. 16.—John Hill, aged 30, was seriously injured in an explosion of natural gas at the Windsor salt works to-night. Another workman, name unknown, was slightly hurt.

After turning on the gas beneath the boiler Hill apparently waited too long before applying the match. When he did so there was a terrific concussion. Hill was thrown violently against the outer wall, twelve feet distant, while his comrade was almost buried beneath one of the brick walls surrounding the boiler, which collapsed upon him. Hill was found unconscious and bleeding. He was rushed to the Hotel Dieu, where the physicians say he will live. The damage to the salt plant will not prove serious.

KING EDWARD MEMORIAL

Letter Read in Churches in Montreal Calling Upon All Catholics to Subscribe to Fund.

(Special to the Times.)

Montreal, Jan. 16.—A letter was read in the Catholic churches yesterday from Archbishop Bruchési calling upon all Catholics to show their loyalty and their appreciation of the late King Edward's services to humanity as a peace maker by subscribing to the King Edward memorial fund.

UPKEEP OF ROADS BY PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Government Proposed to Increase Its Share of Cost to Over One-Third

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 16.—The rounding out of the Ontario government's road road system by increasing the government share in the cost of maintaining of improved roads will be proposed at the approaching session. At present the government pays one-third the cost of improving highways, the municipality bearing the remaining expenditure, but the proposed system would insure the roads being kept up constantly to a high standard.

WIRELESS AMALGAMATION.

Regina, Jan. 16.—The Berlin Operating Company for wireless telegraphing has been organized, with headquarters at Regina. It is an amalgamation of all the German wireless interests and the Belgian wireless company of Brussels.

INTERVIEWS MINISTER

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—Premier Balfour, of Alberta, is in the city on business with the government. This morning he had an interview with Hon. Stanley Oliver, minister of the interior.

PROPOSED NEW LINES TO NORTH

APPLICATIONS TO DOMINION HOUSE

Railways to Cross Continent From Hudson Bay to Pacific Coast

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Application will be made to parliament this year for the incorporation of the Hudson's Bay, Peace River and Pacific Railway Company, which proposed to build from Port Nelson to Fort Churchill, then westerly to Fort Vermillion, on Peace River, then southwesterly to Fort St. John, then westerly to Laurier Pass and on to Fort Simpson, also from St. John to Edmonton.

The Alaska and Yukon railway will apply for an extension of time for construction and for legislation to expend 15 per cent. of the amount of its capital for four years, and for completion in seven years.

The Dominion Development Railway Company will seek incorporation. It will run from the Neas River and Fortland Canal to Fort Churchill and Fort Nelson.

REGARDS BOURASSA AS DANGEROUS

London Writer Declares Quebec Politician is as Ambitious as Parnell

(Special to the Times.) London, Jan. 14.—William Maxwell, the well known war correspondent, in concluding a series of articles to the Daily Mail, declares that the new elements crowding into the Canadian west will readjust the balance of power. Henri Bourassa would sever the last link between Canada and Great Britain and has the same ambition as Parnell and the same dangerous material. Canadian statesmen admit that there is a dangerous situation and do not discuss it publicly.

Arrives at Montreal. Montreal, Jan. 14.—Henri Bourassa, the Nationalist leader, returned here last night from his tour in Europe. He was welcomed by a crowd of 2,000, mostly Laval students, which called repeatedly for a speech. In response Mr. Bourassa said: "I have returned to take up again the fight for justice, for light for my race, and equal rights for all. I am going to continue this fight to the end of the chapter irrespective of results."

DIED AFTER LONG ILLNESS. St. Catharines, Jan. 14.—After nearly fifty years' service in the post office, L. L. Riggins, deputy postmaster here, died yesterday after a long illness. He was a brother of Police Magistrate C. E. Riggins, of Beamsville.

TWO FOUND DEAD IN RUINS OF HOME

Man and His Sister Believed to Have Been Murdered by Robbers

Independence, Kas., Jan. 14.—John Walker and Mary Walker, his sister, both aged, were found dead in the ruins of their burned home near here. It is believed they were murdered and robbed and the house destroyed to conceal the evidence of the crime. The bodies were partially cremated. The barn and outer buildings on the place were burned and the horses turned loose. It is known that the Walkers kept money in the house. Such search of the ruins as could be made revealed no trace of the money. The authorities are investigating carefully. They are convinced that the aged couple was murdered and robbed.

MANY KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE. Bodies of More Than Two Hundred Victims Reported to Have Been Recovered.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—A dispatch received from Yezov, describes the history of Semirytchenck, Asiatic Russia, says that a violent earthquake occurred Thursday night in Kobery, in the Pihapek district of the territory, and that the bodies of 204 Kirghis have been taken from the ruins of fallen buildings.

JAPAN STARTS INVESTIGATION

ADMIRAL'S SPEECH SUBJECT OF INQUIRY

Yashino Will Be Reprimanded If He Criticized Taft's Fortification Plan

(Times' Leased Wire.) Tokyo, Jan. 14.—Prompt steps to punish Admiral Yashino for his criticism of President Taft's plan to fortify the Panama canal will be taken by the Japanese government, if an investigation now under way should verify the reported remarks of the admiral while a guest of Col. Goethals at Panama.

The navy and foreign offices here are greatly concerned over the incident and have intimated openly that if the remarks are found to have been correctly quoted, Yashino will be sharply reprimanded. Further punishment may be administered.

There is a disposition in some quarters, however, to believe that the words of the admiral were either misquoted, so as to give them a false meaning, or that the whole story was fabricated by anti-Japanese partisans in the United States, and the government will take no steps until the most careful investigation of the affair has been made.

The incident is being widely discussed in the Japanese press. Most of the papers take the attitude that the American government is inclined to view the matter in too serious a light, even supposing that the admiral did criticize the plan as alleged.

No other affair for a long time has brought forth so much open discussion of the relations between the two nations as this incident. It is admitted that the matter has caused serious concern. The Japanese government would doubly regret, it is said, any remarks on the part of Yashino that might cause offence to America, especially at a time when the fleet he commands is on a friendly visit in American waters.

The government recognizes the fact that there is an element in the United States that is unfriendly to Japan, and many officials are inclined to believe that the admiral may have been misrepresented by this element. The fact, however, that this may be the case, has caused some uneasiness, and while it is believed that the present incident will be adjusted between the two nations in a dignified manner and so that no offence can be taken by either, the foreign office believes the affair is an indication that the greatest caution must be exercised in matters dealing with the United States in the future.

One high government official, who protests his friendliness for America, has said that the dislike of some Americans for Japan, if it is expressed too openly, will eventually be reflected by certain classes of Japanese, and the result will be that it will be extremely difficult to prevent incidents which result in strained relations.

The state department at Washington will be notified, it is intimated, of the result of the investigation in the present case, and if the admiral is found to have transgressed the rules of international etiquette, even unintentionally, action will be taken to punish him and the United States will be apprised of the fact.

On the part of the United States that diplomatic notes would be forthcoming if the Japanese government took no action, is regarded in semi-official circles as an indication that the United States government regards the incident as one of great importance, and the foreign office will, in a diplomatic way, inform Washington that it shares this view.

W. H. HAYWARD IS DEPUTY SPEAKER

Popular Member for Cowichan First to Be Elected to That Position

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 13.—Under the new rules adopted at the close of last session of the legislature the House has hereafter to elect a deputy speaker and a chairman of committee of ways and means. Hereafter the Speaker has named his deputy, and this is practically the first recognition of that officer as part of the machinery of parliament.

In accordance with the new rule Premier McBride this afternoon moved that William Henry Hayward, member for Cowichan, be deputy speaker of the House. He referred to Mr. Hayward's length of service in the House, to the fact that for four years past he has acted as chairman of committees; to the qualification which his familiarity with the rules affords.

H. C. Brewster, leader of the opposition, seconded the motion, expressing his sense of Mr. Hayward's fitness and fairness. Mr. Hayward was born in Dover, England, spent some years in Virginia as a tobacco planter and then settled on Vancouver Island. He is one of the most progressive farmers of Cowichan district. From 1900 to 1903 he represented Esquimalt in the legislature and was sat for Cowichan since 1907. He is representative of the very best type of Englishmen and has always been popular with the members as a whole.



A NOVEL SIGHT ON THE STREETS OF VICTORIA.

WILL SOON LOSE PLACE OF HONOR

LAUNCH OF THE LARGEST DREADNOUGHT

Battleships Now Being Built Will Surpass Uncle Sam's Arkansas

(Times Leased Wire.) Camden, N. J., Jan. 14.—The battleship Arkansas, the largest Dreadnought afloat, was launched from the ways of the New York shipbuilding company at noon to-day.

Secretary of the Navy Meyers, Assistant Secretary Winthrop and a delegation of Arkansas congressmen attended the launching. The Arkansas was christened by Miss Mary Macon, daughter of Congressman Macon. The battleship Wyoming, a sister ship, will be launched soon.

The Arkansas is the first 26,000-ton battleship authorized by congress, and exceeds in size any other battleship ever built. It will be surpassed, however, by other Dreadnoughts now being built.

According to specifications it must make 20 1/2 knots an hour. The Arkansas is 342 feet long over all, its beam is 38 feet at water line under load. It was built to develop 28,000 horse-power in its engine room.

MUNICIPAL STREET RAILWAY A SUCCESS

Calgary's Undertaking Yields City 13 Per Cent in the First Year

(Special to the Times.) Calgary, Jan. 14.—Superintendent McCauley, of the street railway, reports to the council that the street railway after paying for interest, depreciation and sinking fund, yielded to the city 13 per cent, which is considered pretty good for the first year. The total profit made after paying the sinking fund was \$60,000. The railway gave \$22,500 to the city general fund.

CANADIAN NAVAL COLLEGE.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14.—The painting and finishing touches are being applied to the interior of the naval college. It will begin work on January 19 with 21 cadets. By next year it is expected that the permanent buildings on the admiralty house grounds will be ready. Capt. Martin, the senior naval officer of the dockyard, will be the captain of the college. Mr. S. H. Hartley being director of studies. Other members of the college staff are: Lieut. Nion, Engineer Lieut. Bartlett, Staff Paymaster Gerlie, Lieut. Young. The acting naval instructor will be F. Robinson.

DEPENDS ON MR. BALFOUR. London, Jan. 14.—The Morning Post, reviewing the fisheries dispute, insists that the United States is making desperate efforts to forestall imperial reciprocity, and whether or not they are successful depends on whether Mr. Balfour will rise to the occasion.

STORMS CAUSE MUCH SUFFERING

SUPPLIES WILL BE SENT TO SETTLERS

Man Makes Long Trip Over Snow With Body of His Wife

(Special to the Times.) Moose Jaw, Sask., Jan. 14.—The first teams since Christmas to reach this city from Levell and Dewdrop, 45 miles southwest of here, arrived Thursday evening.

The six members of the party told a story of much hardship and suffering. They had to break through hard cold and storms. One man is said to have carried a sack of flour six miles because he could not get his horse through. The party will take back with them four teams with full loads of supplies.

FORMER BANKER PLEADS GUILTY

TRAVERS WILL BE SENTENCED MONDAY

Admits Making False Returns and Entries and Stealing From Farmers' Bank

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Jan. 14.—General Manager Travers pleaded guilty in the police court yesterday to three charges connected with the administration of the Farmers' Bank.

Hartley H. Dewar, K. C., represented the accused. Crown Attorney Corley conducted the prosecution, and after Travers had pleaded, read many interesting facts regarding the operation of the bank.

Travers, who was pitifully nervous, confessed to three several charges of making false returns to the government, of stealing \$40,000 from the bank and of making false entries in the books. He was remanded to Monday for sentence, bail being refused. Under the statute he is liable to a penalty of five years.

CZARINA CRITICALLY ILL

All Court Fetes and Entertainments Postponed on Account of Her Majesty's Condition. St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—Though she was kept secret it is reported on good authority to-day that the Czarina is again critically ill and that on that account, all court fetes and entertainments have been postponed. The Empress is said to be afflicted with a strange malady which physicians are unable to classify. Recently she was treated at Badenheim and apparently was much improved, but is said to have suffered a relapse, leaving her condition worse than it was before. Partial paralysis is said to have attacked the Czarina's feet and to be extending to her legs and arms.

PROTEST AGAINST THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION

B. J. Perry, Defeated Aldermanic Candidate, Will Appeal to Courts on Alleged Irregular Lists

Counter Action by Ald. Langley

(From Saturday's Daily.) Thursday's election for mayor and council has been protested by B. J. Perry, who was a defeated candidate in Ward 1 for alderman.

This morning Mr. Perry served notice on the city clerk of his intention to present a petition to Supreme or County court asking that the election be voided by reason of the voters' lists not having been compiled in accordance with the law.

More particularly the petition deals with the matter of holders of agreements of sale being registered as property-owners in the city of Victoria, a question on which it is stated that City Solicitor McDiarmid gave an opinion at the court of revision prior to the election. The city solicitor's opinion is said to have been along the lines of Mr. Perry's present contention.

Immediately after the notice had been served on City Clerk Dowler this morning by Mr. Perry in person a notice of motion was posted on the notice board of the city hall by Ald. W. H. Langley to the effect that the legislature be asked to validate the election.

Immediately after the mayor and aldermen had been sworn in by Judge Young in the County court this morning, they repaired to the city hall and held a meeting in the committee room, where the city solicitor was present.

B. J. Perry, after having served his protest on the city clerk, gave out a statement that his action had been taken because the election was illegal. Referring to his own candidature, he said that he had been the victim of two cliques in Victoria, what he termed the mayor's clique on the one side and the Licensed Victuallers' Association on the other side. Mr. Perry announced to a prominent liquor dealer

FALLS TO HIS DEATH

Blakenburg, Germany, Jan. 14.—Sidney Joseph, described as a millionaire merchant of Cincinnati, Ohio, dropped from a cliff in the Hart mountains and was killed. Joseph had been for some time at a sanitarium here and it is said that he deliberately slipped from the height.

STALLED TRAINS ARE LIBERATED

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Weather conditions in Montana, it is announced, have moderated, and the main line of the Great Northern has been opened for service for the first time since Sunday.

FINTON MURDER TRIAL

People Wait For Hours in Order to Secure Seats in Hamilton Court House.

(Special to the Times.) Hamilton, Jan. 12.—A larger crowd than ever was in attendance at the Finton murder-trial when it was resumed in the court house yesterday. People waited for hours outside the building before the doors were opened.

Chief Justice said he asked Tom Finton repeatedly if he had got his hands or could account for the blood on his overalls. He said at first he could not account for the blood, and afterwards he said he guessed Mrs. Kerr must have put the blood on his pants because she was religious crazy.

After some more evidence the crown's case was closed. The request of the defence that the case be taken from the jury on the ground of lack of evidence against the prisoner was refused.

PATS PENALTY FOR MURDER

Lethbridge, Jan. 14.—Wesli Chobotek this morning paid the penalty of death for murdering Alex. Lazaruk last May. The execution taking place in the Royal North-west Mounted Police barracks grounds at 6.30. He met death without a show of nervousness. His last words as understood by those who were, "Me no get any break."

Chobotek had no friends in this country and came from Austria. His crime was shooting Alex. Lazaruk on the road between two of the mining shafts of the Great West, after lying in wait for his man for several hours. The motive for the crime was brought out in the trial.

EMPLOYEES OF RAILWAYS IN PACIFIC NORTHWEST WILL PRESENT DEMANDS MONDAY

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., Jan. 14.—Train dispatchers on all railroads operating in the northwest will present formal demands for a general increase in salary on Monday. The petitions for an increase have been printed and placed in the hands of the dispatchers with instructions to deliver them to their superior officers promptly at 9 o'clock on Monday afternoon.

The dispatchers argue that they are receiving less money than the trainmen under them. They declare that there has been only a slight increase in the salaries of dispatchers in twenty years, notwithstanding that their work has practically been doubled and the railroads are operating many more trains.

In their petition the dispatchers state they will organize as a labor union and present demands if the matter of an increase is not settled favorably by June.

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NAME NEW WATER COMMITTEE SOON

Generally Believed That Mayor Morley Will Take Action Shortly

Now that the Sooke by-law has passed by such a large majority, thus committing the city to the project of bringing water from Sooke lake, it is anticipated that one of the first acts of Mayor Morley, after the newly elected city council has got down to business, will be the introduction of a proposal for the formation of a permanent water committee.

This committee will be somewhat along the lines of the water board suggested by W. E. Oliver, the unsuccessful candidate for the mayoralty, but it will be different. This much was made clear during the recent speech by the mayor at Victoria West. On that occasion he said that he favored a water board but not on the plan of Mr. Oliver. A committee named by the council would better suit the needs of the situation.

It is believed that the mayor intends that John Meston, who has always been an advocate of the water scheme, shall be of the committee, as at the meeting following the declaration of the result of the poll on Thursday night his worship, in alluding to Mr. Meston, expressed the hope that a way would shortly be found whereby the city would yet secure his services.

ONTARIO BUDGET WILL SHOW SURPLUS

Loan of \$15,000,000 Will Be Asked for Porcupine Branch of Temiskaming Railway

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Jan. 14.—Despite the heavy expenditures by the province on the parliament buildings, Osgoode hall, the hydro-electric system and the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway, Hon. A. J. Matheson, the provincial treasurer, will be able to show a balance when he makes his budget speech in the approaching session of the legislature. The government will ask for a loan of \$15,000,000 for the Porcupine branch of the Temiskaming railway, and an application will also probably be made for a power transmission line from St. Thomas to Windsor. Next year the municipalities will begin to make their payment for the hydro electric line.

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HUDSON'S SIZING UP BUSINESS

Has Nothing Suggested Department

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ALD. ELLIOTT REPRESENTING WILSON

Results of Contest Prince Rupert, N.B. Nainaimo, Jan. 14.—The election here is quietly without being as follows: Mayor, A. E. Young, 300; major Aldermen Nprtt J. Sampson and Middle Ward—McKinnell and F. Cavaisky and B. School trustees—Fannie Skinner and Prince Rupert, son was elected of about 110 votes. The exception of The elected alder Smith, Kerr and Kirkpatrick, Hildre and Fattullo, Se Nelson.

TWELVE SAILED FROM STRANDED

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HAS PRE-EMPTION FAILED?

The great features in any land settlement scheme must necessarily be to select suitable lands for settlement, to secure proper facilities for reaching the lands, and to supply full and complete information as to the character of land and its possibilities. These features have never been accentuated in the past, and it is for that reason we say that the system of pre-emption has never been given a fair trial.

There have always been lands open for pre-emption, but the best lands have from the very first been open for sale. Pre-emption has been a secondary consideration, something for the poor and needy and not for the best settlers. The result has been that we have no settlers to speak of. The pre-emptions have been deserted and many of the lands which were sold have never been settled. There has never been proper information provided as to the character of the land available for settlement, and there is still a condition of ignorance existing everywhere among officials. To keep them in this condition is apparently the aim of the government. The Development League has recently been taking up this matter of supplying necessary information, something which the government should have done long ago. The league is to be congratulated on its efforts, and it is to be hoped that the efforts may bear fruit. People who are interested in promoting are trying to show that pre-emption is a failure, but the Development League has shown that it is a success, for, in spite of handicaps, it has been instrumental in securing many settlers, and Secretary McGaffoy is crying out for more land for the pre-emptors. If pre-emption has been a failure, much more so has the system of indiscriminate selling. The result of the latter plan has been to tie up lands which would to-day have been settled if the pre-emptors could have obtained it.

Farming in British Columbia to-day will pay, and pay well. True, there are difficulties in the matter of obtaining suitable labor, but, after all, this is a minor difficulty. The prices of farm produce here are very high higher than in almost any other part of the world. British Columbia lands are rich and are capable of producing all the people need and also of supplying much of the fruit and vegetable produce for the prairie provinces. It is a sin that the fertile valleys should longer remain uncultivated. The government that prevents this is the worst of sinners. The present is an auspicious time to take the matter up, for the legislature is in session and the members can act if they will. It is to be hoped they will not fail in their duty.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The municipal elections are over, and the air is clear once more. Every one should be satisfied, for all sections and parties are represented on the council board, and the schools are left in capable hands. The men who have been given charge of the business of the city for the present year have a serious work to do. Much is expected of them by the people, and we hope they will rise to the occasion and see that they, at any rate, are not a brake upon the wheel of progress. There are capable men on the board, and to them the city will look to uphold those high standards of government which are necessary, especially now in the floodtide of prosperity.

In the matter of by-laws it is satisfactory to know that the water problem has once and for all been removed from the arena of controversy. The people have decided by a majority of almost three to one that we shall go to Sooke Lake. That settles the matter. To Sooke Lake let us go, Mayor Morley, who of late years has been a prominent advocate of the scheme, has been returned to office by a handsome plurality. He has obtained a mandate in regard to which there can be no two opinions. Much hard feeling has been engendered during the many years the question has been before the public. The issue has been used year after year as a rallying cry at elections. Now it is removed from politics, and has become simply a matter of pure business. The mandate has been given, and there can be no turning back.

In regard to the other by-laws, it was a foregone conclusion that, with the exception of the theatre and scheme, they would be carried. The matter of theatre is not, however, likely to remain long unsettled. The

proposed site on the Spencer property, between Broad and Government streets, is undoubtedly the best in the city. Every car line passes it, and it would be much more satisfactory in every way than the other. Should the plans for this not mature some other site will be found, centrally located. If there is a demand for a theatre, a theatre will most certainly be erected.

There is no uncertainty as to what the people want when it comes to exempting improvements from taxation, or having police and license commissioners elected. The demand for the abolition of saloon and bottle licenses was not as emphatic. A good many people who are out of sympathy with saloons voted against their abolition on the ground that abolishing them would simply create a type of hotel in different parts of the city which would be much less desirable than the saloons. There was also a fear of creating a monopoly.

Taken on the whole, there is little to regret now that the campaign is over. Mr. Oliver undoubtedly entered the contest too late. The difficulty with three-cornered contests is that the mayor-elect does not represent a majority of the people, there being several hundred more votes cast for the other two men than for him. Mr. Turner polled fewer votes than last, but he ran Mr. Oliver very close for second place. Now that the election is over, it is for the whole community to forget any bitterness which may have been engendered, and to work harmoniously and heartily for the advancement of the interests of Victoria.

NOTICEABLE OMISSIONS.

The speech from the throne delivered at the opening of the legislature yesterday afternoon is remarkable for two omissions. In the first place there is no reference to railway building on Vancouver Island. This is all the more remarkable in that this was the one section of the country in regard to which an explicit pledge was made by the Premier and several of his supporters in the House. On several occasions Mr. McBride gave his solemn pledge that actual construction of a line of railway connecting this city with Barkley Sound would be commenced within three months of the time the agreement with the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Co. was ratified by the legislature. Further than that, he promised to resign should the pledge not be fulfilled. Encouraged by the action of the Premier, the other three representatives of this city announced that they, too, would resign if actual construction work was not commenced within three months. Nearly a year has passed. The legislature is again in session, and yet the speech says nothing about the progress of the work on the island, neither does it contain an announcement in regard to the resignation of the premier or the other members.

Another omission which is particularly noticeable is in regard to land settlement. At the last Conservative convention it was decided to adopt land settlement as one of the planks of the party platform, even though Robert Green, said to have been acting on behalf of the government, tried his best to prevent any such declaration. The Vancouver Board of Trade has taken the matter up, and other public bodies are moving in a similar direction. General Bowser promised his constituents that a vigorous policy would be adopted. Still the speech of His Honor contains no reference to what is undoubtedly the most important question with which any government can deal. The government, it is stated, will act if forced to do so, but not unless, and this is the reason the omission was made. It gives a chance to shelve the question for another year, until a few more stray plums can be picked up by the "towers."

BOARD OF TRADE AND LAND SETTLEMENT.

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade held on Friday afternoon a most wonderful thing happened. For considerably more than an hour the board discussed the advisability of asking the provincial government to "organize a department of agriculture and immigration, such department to have sufficient funds at its disposal to enable it to efficiently carry out its work." For years there has been a department of agriculture under the provincial government, and at the present time Hon. Price Ellison is the minister in charge. It is probably the best organized of all the government departments, for the deputy heads have been men who thoroughly understand their work. J. R. Anderson and R. M. Palmer were both good men, and they have been followed by W. E. Scott, the present deputy minister, who carries out his work in a most efficient manner. An immense amount of work has been done by this department, very much of the work is attended to by a special commission, headed by an expert and the group of young men in charge of these are all enthusiastic and capable.

Under the same nominal head is a

department of immigration, especially known as a "bureau of information." The officials here are equally as capable as those in the agricultural department, but, sad to say, the sphere of usefulness of the department is strictly limited. It was probably of this department that the Vancouver Board of Trade was thinking when the resolution was passed. The department is starved out; it has no funds at its disposal, and there is no organization outside of the office itself. It is on this account a "bureau of misinformation." The officials do their best under the circumstances, but they are struggling in the dark. They know very little, for they are not supplied with the information necessary. Too much information in regard to lands, it seems, would not be a wise thing to give at the present time, according to government doctrine.

We would like to suggest that it would be more in order to ask the provincial government to re-organize its immigration department and place it under the department of lands, for what else has a Minister of Lands to do if it is not to secure settlers for the lands? The Minister of Agriculture has already too much to do. It is enough for him to look after the important departments of agriculture and finance without having to give attention to immigration. The resolution passed by the Board of Trade cannot be meant to apply to agriculture, but to immigration, and hence the emphasis should be laid on the fact that there is at present no proper organization, and that the department is starved for want of funds. The government takes up every cent it can get to show how prosperous the country is, and refuses to spend anything to encourage legitimate land settlement. We suggest that the Board of Trade members should inform themselves of the condition of affairs before spending time in discussing resolutions, and in that way causing to make themselves ridiculous in the eyes of the provincial government and the city. We suggest, further, that the subject of immigration and land settlement is one of the most important that the Board of Trade could possibly take up. The question should not be discussed by people who are interested directly or indirectly in exploiting provincial lands, but should be studied by men who are willing to take an independent attitude and are not afraid to put their fingers on sore spots.

RECIPROcity WITH STATES OPPOSED

Berlin, Ont., Jan. 14.—The Berlin Board of Trade at the annual meeting Thursday, by standing and unanimous vote of over one hundred members expressed strong disapproval of any reciprocity agreement with the United States, but endorsed the principle of imperial preference.

FIVE YEAR CONTRACT WITH UNION S.S. CO.

Canadian and New Zealand Governments to Subsidize Line

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Jan. 15.—The Canadian government is making a contract for five years with the Union Steamship Company of Australia, for a direct service between Vancouver and New Zealand. Canada is to pay annual subsidy of \$750,000, and New Zealand subsidy of \$200,000. This really is a continuation of the present service between Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Australia has so far objected to participating in a renewal of the service unless the New Zealand call is cut out and the result has been the cutting out of the Australian call. However, there is still an opportunity for Australia to make an arrangement if she desires to do so.

OBITUARY RECORD

(From Monday's Daily.)
The funeral of Joseph Edward Sutherland, who died at the Jubilee hospital on Friday afternoon, took place this morning at 9:45 from the rooms of the C. F. Fraser Company. At 10 o'clock a short burial service was conducted by the Rev. Father Laterne, at the Roman Catholic cathedral and interment was made in the Ross Bay cemetery.

SPECULATION VERSUS PRE-EMPTION.

Speaking at the meeting of the Board of Trade Friday, Charles H. Luginr made a statement to the effect that it did not matter how much people had to pay for lands. They would as soon pay ten or fifteen dollars an acre as one dollar. His reference was of course to the fact that people were purchasing land from speculators at ten and fifteen dollars an acre, whereas they were leaving the government pre-emption reserves, where they would have to pay but one dollar. On the face of it anyone would say that this was correct. If Mr. Luginr wished land for himself, however, and once made an effort to secure land by pre-emption over inquiry among those who had made similar efforts, he would change his mind. Legitimate settlers want the land as cheap as possible. Speculators do not want to live on the land, and so are willing to pay high prices in order that they may secure the land without any conditions of settlement. They wish to hold it to sell to settlers at a higher price still. The government, however, provide no facilities for pre-emption, because the party managers will not allow them to do so.

HELD BY MEXICANS.

Mexico City, Jan. 15.—Alleged inhuman treatment by the authorities of Zacatecas of J. A. Arrell, an American mining engineer, is being investigated by the American embassy, following a protest signed by eighty American residents of El Rio. Farrell was under arrest at Guadalupe, Zacatecas, charged with being accessory to the murder of a Mexican miner. Reports on the case secured by Ambassador Willard, in being investigated by the American embassy, following a protest signed by eighty American residents of El Rio. Farrell was under arrest at Guadalupe, Zacatecas, charged with being accessory to the murder of a Mexican miner. Reports on the case secured by Ambassador Willard, in being investigated by the American embassy, following a protest signed by eighty American residents of El Rio.

IS PROMOTED.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15.—John Aird, superintendent of central branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has been appointed general manager of Toronto. E. C. Brown, chief inspector of the same bank, has been

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On her return trip from San Pedro the Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company's steamer Petriana, which arrived at the Californian port on Friday, will bring 500 tons of asphalt to this city.

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INDEMNITY FOR VERNON COUNCIL

Resolution Passed to Pay Future Mayors \$500 and Aldermen \$300 a Year

Vernon, Jan. 12.—At the final meeting of last year's council Ald. Howard brought up the matter of paying the council for their services.

Ald. Swift stated that most cities paid their council, and quoted Armstrong and Kamloops. He said that the work was getting heavier every year, and that the scheme should encourage good men.

Ald. Glover said that it was a matter that they approached with very great diffidence, but he saw that it was necessary to make some provision. He had to hire additional help when he came on the council, and this was practically the only city that did not pay their councilors.

The incoming council should receive something as it was not expected of business councilors to do work out of love. The time had come when they should be paid; the amount should be \$200 for aldermen and \$500 for the mayor.

As regards the matter there were many out of pocket items incidental to his office that he had to bear. Ald. Martin said that he approved and yet did not approve of the scheme.

He said that next session there would be some "greenhorns" coming in who would not be worth anything to the city for at least six months, therefore it would be better to employ a good man. The combined salaries of the council would amount to about \$2,000, and this should pay the salary of a good commissioner.

The mayor thought that it would be far better to employ a trained superintendent, and that this plan would also ensure some continuity to the work, especially in the public works such as road construction, etc. He said that personally he was opposed to the idea, that it could be tried.

Ald. Howard suggested that if the incoming councilors objected they could donate their salaries. The following resolution was passed: "In the future all the mayors of the city be paid the sum of \$500 per annum and the aldermen be paid the sum of \$300 per annum as an honorarium for services rendered. Said amount to be paid in twelve payments on the first of each month."

W. R. Megaw represented a deputation from the Y. M. C. A. and stated that this society had now been incorporated and would make out the lease on the building. He said that they were prepared to put in the plumbing and asked if the council would put in the sewerage up to the building.

Ald. Swift wanted to know who would pay the taxes and interest on the building, as he was of the opinion that a rental should be fixed which would cover this. The mayor stated that the city paid these expenses.

BALL AT DUNCAN

Duncan, Jan. 14.—The annual ball of the Agricultural Society of Cowichan, was, in point of attendance, the largest given by the society, in spite of the weather, many of the roads being blocked by the recent snowfall.

An excellent supper was provided by a committee of ladies under the supervision of Mrs. Jaynes. The decorations of the supper room were flags and ivy and the tables were lighted by numerous candles and decorated with flowers under the direction of Mrs. Hirsch. The music was supplied by Prof. Harvey's orchestra from Nanaimo.

PLAGUE CLAIMS MANY VICTIMS

Thirteen Hundred Chinese Reported to Have Died at Harbin

Pekin, Jan. 14.—Owing to the spread of the bubonic plague in Manchuria there was a conference Saturday of physicians of the foreign legations and missions and several Chinese, who decided to recommend a five-day quarantine on first class passengers at the great wall until observation camps can be established at Harbin, Mukden and Shanikawan. They also recommended the immediate cessation of second and third class passenger traffic. The foreigners in Peking and Tientsin are not alarmed over the epidemic, though they are taking measures to prevent infection.

A total of 1,300 Chinese have died from the disease at Harbin. There has been only seven deaths in the foreign colony there.

DEATHS AT HARBIN

St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—Dispatches from Harbin say that 150 fatal cases of bubonic plague occur there daily in the Chinese quarter. Scores are recalling the Middle Ages are enacted.

OUTBREAK AT MUKDEN

Mukden, Manchuria, Jan. 16.—There have been thirty deaths from bubonic plague here. The authorities are fighting the epidemic systematically. No passenger trains of any class have gone southward for several days.

VANCOUVER LIBRARIAN

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—At a special meeting of the Carnegie library board a telegram was read from R. W. Douglas of Toronto, accepting the appointment of librarian, recently tendered him by the board. Mr. Douglas is thoroughly up in modern library methods, and has an extensive knowledge of literature. He is a Canadian and a specialist on books relating to Canadian history and progress. His duties as librarian will begin in February.

SENSATION IN THE SCHENK CASE

DETECTIVE NURSE GIVES EVIDENCE

Declares Millionaire's Wife Offered Her \$1,000 to Kill Schenk

Wheeling, W. V., Jan. 14.—Declaring that Mrs. Laura Schenk had offered her \$1,000 to kill her husband, Miss Elnora Zoecler, on the witness stand on Saturday, detailed a conversation with the woman accused of poisoning her husband, John O. Schenk, in which she said the deal was proposed.

The conversation came, Miss Zoecler, known as Mrs. Klein, the detective "nurse," alleged, when she was in the hospital and when Mrs. Schenk had come to visit her husband.

"The girl, who was the star witness for the state, admitted first that she had been hired by a detective agency to work on the Schenk case, and that of going to the hospital, where she talked with Mrs. Schenk and gained her confidence.

During a conversation in which Mrs. Schenk said she wished her husband were dead, the nurse testified, she asked the woman why she did not kill him herself.

"Mrs. Schenk said to me," Miss Zoecler said, "I pray nightly that I may be called and told my husband is dead. Some times I feel as though I could kill him. I said to her, why not try it?"

"She looked at me a moment, and then replied, 'Would you, if you were me?' Then, a second time she added, 'What would you take to kill him for me?'"

"I said \$5,000. She said she could only give me \$1,000. I told her that was not much for the job, but finally I agreed. I asked her to make out a contract, but she hesitated. I told her I wanted enough money to get out of the country. She pleaded with me not to think of that, protesting 'they'll suspect me.'"

"The 'detective nurse' said that Mrs. Schenk had asked her to give Schenk 'stuff.' She asked the defendant, she testified, what she meant by 'stuff.' 'Poison,' Mrs. Schenk replied, the witness testified.

"I expressed the fear that I might be caught," Miss Zoecler continued. "The defendant poo-pooed the idea, and suggested that I put 'dope' in the medicine on the table beside the bed. I asked her how she could dissimulate after her husband's death. 'Oh, Lordy,' she replied 'I'd be so happy that I could do it easily.'"

She said Mrs. Schenk did not come to the hospital the following day, as she had agreed. The nurse said she telephoned the defendant saying, 'Nothing done; I can't get the stuff.' On the same afternoon Mrs. Schenk went to the hospital, the nurse said, saying she feared a postmortem examination.

"But I wish you'd dope him any-how," she said. Miss Zoecler testified. "The next day Mrs. Schenk evaded me. The subject of her husband's death was not discussed. A few days later I went to the Schenk home. While there I told her that I believed her husband had done it. She neither denied nor affirmed it."

MUST PAY DAMAGES

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—Robert Black, carpenter and contractor of South Vancouver, did not defend the action for damages brought against him by Miss Fairweather, who recently arrived from Scotland, and Mr. Justice Morrison did not think that \$2,520 damages were too heavy to award the plaintiff for the cruel way in which she had been deceived. Of this sum \$2,500 were general damages and the additional amount goes toward the expenses she has been put to.

Robert Black also hails from Scotland, and it was in the land of the heather that they plighted their troth. When Black left five years ago he was still the faithful sweetheart of the girl who held his promise. Three years since he had sent her loving messages and at last the welcome news that he had a comfortable home for her. He sent part of the necessary passage money, but from the time he greeted her at the depot in Vancouver apparently a revulsion of feeling came over him, and surreptitiously leaving a note with her, telling her that his plans had changed, he left her to her own devices. One of them proved to be the breach of promise action which he has not troubled to defend.

OLD APPLE TREE

Vancouver Barracks, Wash., Jan. 16.—The oldest apple tree on the Pacific Coast has been discovered, positively identified, and Col. McQuinn, commanding this post, has ordered that a fence be constructed around the aged fruit bearer. In the near future a tablet bearing its history will be erected near the tree.

The tree was planted years ago by early officers of the Hudson Bay Company from seeds in their pockets from England. It was discovered and identified by A. A. Quarenberg, district fruit inspector. He believes the tree was planted about 80 years ago, and has a history of 100 years.

"At lunch party in London about 1810, given in honor of some young gentlemen who were about to embark for Fort Vancouver in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company, seeds of the fruit eaten were slipped by some young ladies into the waistcoat pockets of the young men, upon their arrival at their destination, the young men in overhauling their wardrobes, discovered the seeds and gave them to Bruce, the gardener at the fort."

Originally there were three trees which grew from these seeds, but the other two have disappeared.

The hide of the hippopotamus is in places fully two inches thick.

MANY PROPERTIES WILL BE BONDED

Hazleton Prospectors Report Great Activity on Nine Mile Mountain

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—Many Hazelton silver lead mining properties will be bonded during the coming summer, report Messrs. Harris Bros. and F. C. McKinnon, prospectors and mine owners, who are now in the city. They intend leaving for Hazelton on January 16.

There are four of the Harris brothers, and every one of them is an old prospector in the Skeena and Bulkley valleys. H. A. Harris was the locator of the Silver Cup and Sunrise groups, and thus the first man to open up the possibilities of the famous Nine-Mile Mountain country. His brothers are now associated with him in the development of several properties on Nine-Mile Mountain.

The Silver Cup and Sunrise groups were bonded some time ago by Mr. Harris, and the former is now under charge of E. L. Kinnman of Vancouver, who, as well, is working the Lead King and a private property of his own on Four-Mile Mountain, adjoining the American Boy territorial group. A partner, J. A. Mullin, one of the old-timers in the country, is now in camp at the mine doing development work in a small way.

Activity in the groups around Hazelton is said to be increasing wonderfully. A short time ago Messrs. Angus Stewart and T. McHugh were said to have bonded two properties near the American Boy territorial group, one for \$35,000 and the other for \$50,000. Six miles south of Hazelton the Rocher De Boule group was also bonded recently. Messrs. Stewart and McHugh called the Black Prince, and the locators, to R. P. Trimble, of Portland, for \$65,000. This property was only discovered last August. The other two groups bonded by Messrs. Stewart and McHugh called the Black Prince, and the Silver Standard, were only located in August.

Harris brothers own eight claims near the Rocher De Boule called the Hazelton View group, and development work is to be commenced on the claims very shortly. While a year ago there were only four men on the Silver Cup property on Nine-Mile Mountain, the northern visitors state that now there are many times that number, and the outlook is considered by all the mining men in the north to be a splendid one for practically all the claims on the mountain. The mineral zone is said to extend some forty miles in length by half that distance in width, and Nine-Mile Mountain is a network of veins.

Hazelton has a population of about 500 just now, but a rapid increase is expected in the spring, when many mining agents and capitalists who have had their attention drawn to the district will visit it. Owing to the fact that the mines are near the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, and on land which slopes down to it, the difficulties of mining are claimed to be comparatively light.

The great obstacle to permanent development at present lies in the lack of a smelter. The silver lead ore now has to be shipped on the Blue and White to Swansea, Wales, or else to the Trail smelter in this province. Had they a smelter on the ground, the mining men claim that there would be nothing but uninterrupted success ahead of them.

CLAYOQUOT LIBERAL ASSOCIATION MEETS

Officers Elected for Year—Enjoyable Dance in Tofino Public Hall

Tofino, Jan. 11.—At the annual general meeting of the Clayoquot Liberal Association the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, R. H. Hays; vice-president, F. C. Garrard; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Stone; executive officers, Messrs. E. B. Garrard, J. Stoman, S. S. Stone, A. Hansen, J. Arnet.

A basket social dance was given in Tofino public hall on Friday, January 8, when some record prices were realized, the average being \$11 a basket and the highest basket bringing \$17.50. Considerably over \$100 was realized on the proceeds to go to the purchase of music, etc. A committee was appointed to purchase music and arrange other dances during the winter.

The district is in for a cold snap, there being four inches of snow on the ground and the thermometer registering 22 above, which is cold for the coast.

Miss A. Flint, Victoria, returned from her holidays on the last boat to teach at the Clayoquot school.

Mr. J. Hansen was also a passenger on the boat. He had been to St. Joseph's hospital, having had two of his fingers crushed while working on the winch at the life-saving station here.

FIRE DESTROYS MILLS

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 16.—The rolling mills of the Hamilton Steel & Iron Company were destroyed by fire Saturday. The loss will reach \$200,000.

In a new German invention of value to balloonists illuminating gas is forced into tubes maintained at a high temperature. This separates out most of the carbon and about doubles the buoyancy of the gas.

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GERMAN POSITION REGARDING NAVY

Great Britain Has Made Advances Towards Limiting Armaments of World

Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial chancellor, made the following statement regarding the Anglo-German rivalry in armaments in the Reichstag recently: "As regards our relations with England and the alleged negotiations with that country on the subject of an understanding in regard to limiting naval armaments, I wish first of all to point out that it is, I dare say, public juris that the British government has repeatedly advanced the idea that an arrangement stipulating the strength of the navies of the several powers would essentially contribute towards consolidating international relations."

"England, as you know, has already expressed that idea at the Hague conference. Since then England has repeatedly referred again to the idea without, however, making propositions which could have been either positively accepted or rejected."

"We likewise fall in with the desire cherished by England of avoiding rivalry in regard to armaments, but in occasional and informal pourparlers, conducted in a friendly spirit, we have always laid emphasis on the fundamental idea that an open and confident exchange of views followed by an understanding on the mutual economical and political interests of the two countries, would be the best means of removing any distrust arising from the comparative strength of their armies and navies."

"The very continuance of such an exchange of views gives evidence of the friendly intentions prevailing on either side. It may gradually remove the distrust which has made itself felt, not between the governments, but unhappily often in public opinion."

"Turning to Russia, the Chancellor said: 'We have willingly admitted that Russia has need of special influence in North America. We have therefore readily admitted her claim on all concessions for railways and telegraph lines. Russia, on her side, has agreed not only to place no obstacles in the way of our trade, but also to facilitate the establishment of a connection for the importation of German goods so long as they travel over Bagdad to Hapskirk.'"

"In the conversation which took place during the Czar's recent visit to Potsdam, the misunderstandings which appeared here and there had been set aside and the old fraternal relations between Germany and Russia asserted and confirmed. (Freudenberg cheer.)"

"On the following day when the debate was renewed, Prince Hattenfeld (Imperial party) said that in view of Germany's enormous political and industrial development she could not possibly do without a strong fleet for the protection of her world-wide trade. The completion of Germany's fleet has caused a widespread feeling of animosity in England against Germany. In England it was an axiom that England should have undisputed supremacy at sea and occupy the first position in the world's trade."

"The English had always been regarded as a common-sense nation, and it was hoped that they would now reconcile themselves to the fact that Germany would carry through her naval programme. An agreement for mutual disarmament would be very difficult; it would have to contain so many clauses that their interpretation would from the outset be a source of fresh differences."

CIVIC ELECTIONS

Revelstoke, Jan. 14.—There was no civic election here, all the offices being filled by acclamation. J. H. Hamilton has been elected mayor, and Messrs. H. McKinnon, E. Trimble, J. D. Sibbald, W. Lawrence, W. Abrahamson and W. Cowan, aldermen. H. C. Morris, W. Squarabriggs and W. T. Bradshaw have been elected to the school board.

Pentlcton, Jan. 14.—The confidence of the residents of Pentlcton municipality in last year's council has been shown in the re-election by acclamation of Reeve E. Foley Bennett and four out of six of last year's councilmen.

Phoenix, Jan. 14.—The old city council and school trustees of Phoenix were re-elected by acclamation as follows: Mayor D. J. Matheson; aldermen, Collin Ross, George W. Rogers, P. H. Cosgrove, A. D. McKenzie, Thos. Blinn and Albin Altmstrom; school trustees, C. J. McCastock and D. J. Matheson.

Vernon, Jan. 14.—The following five aldermen were elected here: J. T. Muller, W. H. Smith, J. W. Glover, T. J. Cummins and C. F. Westerton. H. W. Husband was re-elected mayor by acclamation on Monday.

LOGGER DROWNED

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—After being rescued from the icy waters of the Inlet last Saturday by Miss Whitburn of the Union Steamship Company, a logger named Parker was found drowned in snow by the following morning.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT PRAIRIE CAPITAL

Firemen Fight Flames With Thermometer 40 Below Zero—Loss Exceeds \$250,000

Winnipeg, Jan. 16.—Winnipeg on Saturday night was visited by the worst fire of recent years, and it was not until 1:30 yesterday morning that the flames were under control. It started in the Kelly building on Bannatyne avenue, and when the firemen arrived smoke was issuing from all the windows on the south side. Chief Buchanan was one of the first on the scene and immediately took charge with Assistant Chiefs Code and Walker. An alarm was sent in calling out additional apparatus. At 12:30 the flames spread to a number of small buildings across the street and they went down like so much kindlingwood. The firms burned out are the following, all of which carried large and valuable stocks:

Buchanan and Gordon, manufacturers' agents; Winnipeg Fur Company, wholesale furs; Thomas A. Lock, wholesale groceries, storage; Dominion Produce Company, wholesale produce; John Erzinger, wholesale cigars and tobacco; W. V. Dawson & Co., wholesale stationery; Kilgour Bros., paper supply house; Pettie Fur Company, fur manufacturers; Chemist Company of Canada; Meakins & Sons, wholesale brushes; Wingold Stove Company.

The fire is estimated at over a quarter of a million dollars. Thirty-six streams of water were poured on the flames for hours.

The only damage to the McClary block was by water. The thermometer registered forty below zero, and had it not been for the high pressure system and the water towers nothing could have prevented the fire from spreading to a long string of warehouses, and to the banks on Main street. The firemen were covered with ice as they waded knee deep in the torrents of water as it emerged from the building. The men often had to be pulled from mounds of ice, the spray from the nozzles of the hose freezing around them. The chief kept the men constantly moving the hose to prevent it freezing.

DEAD ON THE BEACH. Pentlcton, Jan. 14.—William Sheppard, a well-known man in this district, was found dead on the beach here. Death is thought to have been due to heart failure.

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REVENUE

Report on Actions of Last Month

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ACCOUNTS OF THE PROVINCE

REVENUE IS NEARLY NINE MILLIONS

Report on Financial Transactions of the Year Ending Last March Presented

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 12.

The public accounts for the year ending March 31, 1910, brought down by the minister of finance yesterday afternoon, in accordance with statute, show that the revenues of the province of that period was \$8,818,596.28, as compared with \$4,638,562.35 for the period ending the same date the previous year. It must be explained, however, that that fiscal year was one of nine months only, the closing day of the year having been changed from June 30 to March 31.

The expenditure for the last complete fiscal year was \$6,382,993.27, as compared with \$3,749,170.45 for the nine months which preceded it.

As there is this difference between the two years it is not possible to make a comparison between them, but a comparison of revenue and expenditure with that for the year which ended on June 30, 1905, will be of interest. The greatest increase in revenue is found in the receipts from the sale of land, those for the last year, \$2,518,187.50, being five times more than the figures for two years previous. From timber leases the revenues was a trifle less than in that period. Fines and fees of courts doubled. The succession duty receipts have increased three times. Registry fees have grown from \$23,699 to \$408,826. In the matter of the more direct taxation—revenue tax, real property tax, personal property tax and income tax—the increase is only what might be expected from natural growth of population, though even then it hardly allows for as much of a growth in the population of the province as those who have been watching the progress of events would have expected. From the personal property tax, which the Liberal party

has always argued should go to the municipalities, the amount collected was only \$161,992.88, out of a revenue of nearly nine millions, which continues to bear out the argument so often advanced from the opposition benches that the government could easily hand this over to the municipalities. The revenue from the printing office—sale of reports, etc.—fell off by \$18,000. The province's share of the revenue from the Chinese poll tax remained practically the same, \$355,200 as compared with \$345,000 in 1907-8.

On the other side of the ledger increases are also found, although the first item shows a decrease in the amount payable as interest. Civil government cost in salaries \$388,700 as against \$318,817 in the year 1907-8, and legislation \$114,487, as compared with \$67,187. On education there was spent \$387,936, an increase of a round \$120,000. It is in the public works expenditure, of course, that the big increases are found—roads and buildings, from \$462,942 to \$811,163; roads, streets, bridges and wharves, from \$368,185 to \$2,012,103; surveys, from \$73,850 to \$558,463. The following is a summary of the expenditures by services:

Table with 2 columns: Service, Amount. Includes Public debt, Civil government (salaries), Administration of justice, Hospitals and charities, Education, Transport, Revenue services, Public works, Government House, Roads, streets, bridges, wharves, Surveys and improvement of lands, Miscellaneous, etc.

The following items, not included in the above expenditure, have been paid out of the ordinary revenue of the province:

Table with 2 columns: Service, Amount. Includes Shuswap and Okanagan railway, Victoria and Sidney railway, etc.

The detailed statements of revenue, expenditure, assets and liabilities follow:

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AT CORONATION

TWO THOUSAND TO VISIT LONDON IN JUNE

Festivities Will Last Twelve Days—Hotel-Keepers Are Raising Rates

(Special to the Times.)

London, Jan. 13.—Colonial contingents of troops which will participate in the coronation festivities will aggregate about 2,000, of which five per cent. will be officers. The contingents will be encamped in Alexandra park.

The coronation festivities will begin June 19 and continue until June 30. London hotels have already raised the rates. A regular Canadian visitor to London endeavored to engage a room in one of the hotels along the route of the procession, but was informed that the price was ten guineas ordinarily.

RE-ELECTED BY BIG MAJORITY

(Continued from page 3.)

ever held at a single polling district in British Columbia. Both the mayor's opponents, W. E. Oliver, and J. A. Turner, polled a larger vote than they did last year, and the big surprise of the day was perhaps the strength of the latter candidate, Mr. Oliver's supporters were counting on his getting a large proportion of the Turner vote, but in that they were disappointed.

The aldermanic contest furnished a number of surprises in the defeat of Ald. Ferguson, Bannerman and McKeown, of the outgoing board, and the election of Wm. Moresby, a new aspirant, at the head of the poll in Ward 4.

The voting on the by-laws was also not without surprises, such overwhelming endorsement of the Sooko Lake scheme hardly being contemplated by the staunchest advocates of that measure, nor was it supposed that the alternative by-law would be rejected by such a great majority.

Considering the inclemency of the weather, the total vote cast in the mayoralty contest, 4,458 was a huge one. A feature of the day's incidents was the uncertainty which prevailed right up to the hour of the closing of the polls as to the outcome of the contest. It was not until the first couple of hours had been counted that it was known which way the battle had gone.

While there was a number of amusing incidents throughout the day, the election passed off without any untoward incident. As far as efficiency and thoroughness of the work of the committees working for the three candidates for the mayoralty were on equal terms. All day long the scenes in front of the committee rooms was of the most animated. It is said that a considerable amount of money changed hands on the result, friends of Mr. Oliver backing their opinion as to the likelihood of his victory with their coin.

The downfall of such stalwarts as Ald. McKeown, Bannerman and Sargison came as a great surprise to their friends. As a result of the aldermanic contests there is a plentiful supply of "new blood" injected into the council board for the present year. In the election of Alex. Feden, in Ward 5; Herbert M. Fullerton and W. C. Moresby in ward 4; and George A. Okell in ward 3.

The three members seeking re-election in the school board contest were, as anticipated, successful, the chairman of the board, George Jay, polling the immense vote of 2,718.

Chief interest was centered in the outcome of the mayoralty contest, and when the polls closed at 7 p.m. there were large crowds assembled at various points about the city hall. On the other hand, the school board election, Northcott and his staff at once set about the task of counting the ballots, and this they did very expeditiously. It was just 7:15 when the job of ascertaining the total number of ballots cast was undertaken, and 15 minutes later the waiting crowds in the lobby and in front of the newspaper offices on Broad street were informed that this number was 4,458.

When the work of inspecting the ballots was undertaken it only needed the watchers to observe how the first two boxes were panning out to see that the number of votes was correct. His work led from the start, and as it was soon disclosed that Turner would run Mr. Oliver close for second place, it was obvious to all that while the major number of the ballots was against the mayor, his election was assured from the fact that they were about equally divided between his two opponents.

The Times had made special arrangements for its bulletin service and the large crowds which had assembled outside its office were promptly informed as to the progress of the count. At the conclusion of the work of the returning officer an impromptu public meeting was held in the court room, presided over by the returning officer, and a number of the candidates made speeches, a report of which appears in another column.

The evening being cold, on the conclusion of the meeting at 11:20, the crowds attempted no outdoor demonstration, and soon the streets assumed their normal aspect, and the election campaign of 1910 was numbered among the things of the past.

The various members of the incoming city council will be sworn in tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock before the County court judge, and the first meeting of the new board is now contemplated to be held on Monday evening next.

DOMESTIC SERVANTS

Assisted Immigration of Help Discussed by Council of Women.

New Westminster, Jan. 12.—The annual meeting of the Local Council of Women was held in the Knights of Pythias hall, when officers were re-elected for another year: Mrs. Keith, president; Mrs. Broad, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Wolenden, recording secretary.

The president presented a report covering the work done during the past year, which was extensive. The executive took up with the provincial government the matter of establishing a home for aged women, and met with some encouragement, although nothing definite was done. The intention is to pursue this matter to a conclusion.

Other matters which occupied the attention of the council during the session were: Assisted immigration of domestic help, the teaching of domestic science in public schools, the excessive amount of home work required by teachers of pupils in the schools and the disastrous results of punishment, the laws relating to women in the matter of property rights and other questions.

Miss Crease, of Victoria, spoke on Domestic Servants, and the advisability of securing these from the Old Country.

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ASSOCIATION MAY HAVE WIDE SCOPE

Progressive Organization Likely to Include the Lower Mainland

Chilliwack, Jan. 12.—The annual general meeting of the Chilliwack Board of Trade was held at the court house by a banquet attended by thirty members of the board and their guests. The election of officers of the board for the ensuing year resulted in the re-election of President H. J. Barber with H. H. Gervan as vice-president, and H. T. Goodland as secretary-treasurer. The following members will constitute the council and board of arbitration for the ensuing year: Messrs. W. L. Macken, R. F. Waddington, T. H. Jackson, J. H. Doves, G. H. W. Ashwell, T. E. Caskey, W. G. Little, P. B. Lytle, N. S. McKenzie, James Munro, S. S. Carlton and J. Harrison.

The president reviewed the work of the board during the past year, pointing out many ways in which the city had been benefited directly or indirectly by actions of the board, but believed that the ensuing year would produce many more opportunities for the board to make its influence felt. The lack of co-operation on the part of the different boards of trade throughout the lower mainland was deplored, but the organization of the Fraser Valley Progressive Association, or some other similar affiliation of the various boards, would, he believed, make for a remedy. There is a possibility, he said, of the proposed Fraser Valley Progressive Association, which is chiefly confined to the municipalities of the lower mainland along the Fraser Valley proper, giving way to an organization of a wider scope including Vancouver and all points on the mainland.

The question of the construction of a wagon road to Mount Baker mines was discussed by Mr. Leigh, who claimed that if a road were extended into that territory from this side of the mine trade route, from 10 Sumas City and Bellingham and other American points would be diverted to this district.

RETIRING MAYOR HONORED

North Vancouver, Jan. 12.—At the final meeting of the city council of 1910 Mayor May was presented with a splendid mahogany leather upholstered rocking chair, on which a silver plate will be placed bearing the following: "Presented to William H. May, A. D. 1910, by the city council of North Vancouver, in appreciation of 17 years' valuable public service. F. W. Fowler, Wm. J. Irwin, Wm. McKelch, G. W. McRae, S. D. Shultz, Alexander Smith."

The alderman spoke, tendering his sincere thanks and congratulations for the faithful and successful manner in which the mayor had carried on the public work during the past 17 years, and also expressed the feeling of regret with which they received his decision of withdrawal.

The mayor, in thanking the council, said that it would be impossible to express in words his appreciation and gratitude. He also spoke in connection with civic affairs during the past year. He said that the present council had carried out more work than any of the previous councils in the history of North Vancouver, and hoped that next year's board would accomplish still greater things. Votes of thanks were given to the mayor, the retiring alderman, city clerk and all the city officials for their efficiency during the year.

The iceberg detector is the latest instrument that science has evolved for the better protection of life at sea.

WILL BUILD NEW BRIDGE

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 13.—The Frontier Electric Railway Co., which will build a trolley line from Buffalo to connect with the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto line here, will erect a new bridge across the Niagara river.

BOY MEETS DEATH WHILE COASTING

Sleighs Collide and Thirteen-Year-Old Lad is Thrown Against Pole

Vancouver, Jan. 13.—The wifely blast which has held away locally for the past few days claimed a victim Wednesday night, when the first fatality of the cold season was recorded of a boy being killed while manipulating a bob sleigh down a hill in South Vancouver.

Hubbing over with joy to indulge in a night's exhilarating sport, Clarence Hilton Ward Lobban, 13-year-old son of Frank Lobban, set out last evening with a party of companions to slide down the inclines of the suburban municipality and all went as merry as a marriage bell until another attempt was made to whirl down the North Arm Road hill, near the corner of Fraser avenue and River road.

All were enjoying themselves to the full up to about 9 o'clock, when the bob sleigh was again taken up the hill and another start was made on the express journey downward. Starting at a moderate speed, the sleigh bounded forward and onward, gathering speed as each foot was negotiated. It collided with a party who were proceeding up the hill.

A tremendous impact, and the sleigh suddenly swerved, and the boy was dashed head foremost in a pole. All on the sleigh were overturned. An examination showed that Lobban's skull had been fractured and several ribs broken. The boy was carried in to Frank Thorsen's store and the latter sent for Dr. Huld. He quickly responded to the call, but observed that life was fast ebbing out. Although the boy was conscious until another period after the collision occurred he gradually sank into insensibility and passed away. The others on the sleigh, who were suffering from bruises and cuts, went to their respective homes.

From what could be gathered, it appears that when the sleigh struck the pole it was travelling at a speed of from twenty to thirty miles an hour.

FORTIFICATION OF PANAMA CANAL

President Taft, in Message to Congress, Urges Immediate Start on Work

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—In a special message to congress yesterday President Taft urged the fortification of the Panama canal. The message was sent to congress by a special representative of the board of army and navy engineers who have been considering the plans for the fortification. The president recommends an appropriation of \$900,000 for beginning the defenses at once.

"The canal, when completed," the president's message said, "will afford the only convenient water route between the Atlantic and the Pacific. It will virtually be a part of the American coast line. Its assured possession and control will greatly contribute to the peace and stability of the nation. In my judgment it is the right and duty of the United States to fortify and make capable of defense a work bearing such vital relation to its welfare being created solely by it at the expenditure of an enormous sum."

No official advice has been received at the state department from Tokio and it is not known in official circles whether Japan is investigating the incident or not.

Vertical advertisement on the left edge of the page, containing various brand names and slogans like 'Suits for', 'Powders', 'Bowses', 'Fair trial to', 'Health and you feel well', 'Bottle here', 'St. Bowes', 'MES.'

Large vertical advertisement on the right edge of the page for 'Pauline & Company Men's Furnishings and Wholesale Drygoods'. It includes the company name, address 'Distributing Agents Stanfield's Underwear', and location 'VICTORIA, B. C.'

ONTARIO MURDER WAS BRUTAL ONE

Man Believed to Have Been Killed After Being Tied to Post

(Special to the Times.) Berlin, Ont., Jan. 14.—Some startling developments are expected in a few hours of the Loblinsky murder case at Woleley. Detective Huber, chief of the county force, returned late last night from the scene and stated that it was with a gang of five men that the history of the province.

The dead man was found by Fred Leiss, a neighbor. He was horrified to find the old man tied to a post. Leiss, with a gaping wound in his skull and his arms outstretched as if he had fought with his assassins. It is believed that the death struggle was with a knife, but the death blow was likely struck after he had been tied to the post.

Frank Newell, a young man living here, is responsible for the statement that he had paid for a post. He visited a couple of weeks ago, and that he showed him his board which was in gold coin, saying that he had \$3,000.

TO PUNISH SPIES.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—The house judiciary committee yesterday voted to favor a bill providing punishment for spies in times of peace. It is designed to remedy defects in the present law, which provides no punishment for foreign spies.

An attempt will be made to push the bill through the house. The measure would affect the activity of Japanese spies in the Philippines. The recently discovered activity of spies there is said to be the reason for the endeavor to rush the bill through.

TEES BRINGS HEAVY CARGO OF MACHINERY

Vancouver Firm Has Completed Construction Work at Alberni—Potlatch at Kyuquot

(From Saturday's Daily.) Bringing 150 tons of machinery loaded at Alberni, besides considerable other freight and thirty passengers, the steamer Tees, Capt. Gillan, arrived in port yesterday afternoon from Clayoquot and other west coast points. The machinery is consigned to Jansz, Macdonald & Timothy, Vancouver, who are sending it to Hope, B. C., where they have some construction work to carry out. This contracting firm has been working on the Alberni-Nanosee branch of the E. & N. railway and have just completed their undertaking. The Tees is leaving for the Potlatch and City to discharge the heavy shipment.

Word was brought by the Tees that the Indians on the west coast are engaging in a potlatch at Kyuquot, which is one of the largest ever held on the island. The C. P. R. steamer carried some 80 Indian families from Ahousat to the scene of the activities and from far and near the swashes have gathered to indulge in this ancient custom of their progenitors.

Similar experiences were reported by the Tees as by the other steamers that have lately returned to port. She had a very rough trip, after leaving here last Sunday night meeting a southeast gale. It was bitterly cold and both the thermometer and barometer hung low, giving a general overhauling, shortly. There is no more work in sight for her several days, and she is to be hauled out and cleaned.

After having several repairs made to her hull, the G. P. steamer Harward was launched from the Victoria Machinery Dept. works on Saturday, and is now lying alongside the Michigan Puget Sound Lumber Company's wharf, where a cargo of lumber for Naden Harbor.

The steamer Leebo, under charter to the marine and fisheries, will be given a general overhauling shortly. There is no more work in sight for her several days, and she is to be hauled out and cleaned.

After discharging 100 tons of machinery at the Powell River new pulp and paper mill, the steamer Harward, of the Queen line, has gone to Comox to load coal, from where she will proceed to the Columbia river to load lumber for China.

On the occasion of his retirement from the sea, Capt. Pybus, of the Empress of India, has been presented with a piece of silver plate. Capt. E. L. Dawson, who made the presentation, spoke of the loss the company has sustained through his leaving the service. The retiring skipper replied in appropriate remarks.

NEW DEVICE FOR COALING.

Invention of Italian Increases Speed of Loading Coal on Board. An important invention for coaling ships is reported as having been made by Captain Mendola, of Genoa. The device consists of a lighter, having a number of skeleton towers with movable shafts, which can be raised or lowered at will, and is especially designed for coaling large vessels with side ports. The coal on the lighter is filled into a truck or receptacle running in grooves up and down the towers. When filled, the receptacle is raised up to the level of the shafts, and through them the coal is emptied into the bunkers of the vessel. By means of this system vessels have been coaled at an hour at the rate of 120 tons per hour. A number of such lighters have already been built, and are working with great success at Italian ports. The system is one which might with great advantage be introduced in this country, as it would result in a great saving of time and expense.

YEAR TO MAKE CAPE TOWN.

American Ship W. F. Babcock Has Stronous Time on Passage From Puget Sound. At last the American ship W. F. Babcock has reached Cape Town from Puget Sound, after a voyage occupying almost a year. The Babcock left Port Townsend on January 16, 1910, and arrived at its destination December 31 of the same year. Bad weather pursued the Babcock every leg of the voyage. Just after clearing the Cape the ship ran into a violent gale, and suffered much damage that she put into Honolulu for repairs. Out of Honolulu she set further gales, and put into Sydney, where she lay several months, repairing the damage she had sustained. She was then bound for Cape Town, and arrived there on January 13, 1911.

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ALD. HUMBER AND HIS RACEHORSES

County Court Dispute With Set-Off for Bricks, Engages Attention of Judge

Ald. Russell Humber's racehorses figured in the county court on Saturday before Judge Young, when the senior alderman for Ward 2 was defendant in a claim for \$20 charges levied against him by H. W. Smith, lessee of the Oak Bay driving park during the year 1908. Ald. Humber was not present, but was represented by George Morphy, between whom and the plaintiff there arose a dispute as to the quality of the alderman's horse-flesh. Mr. Morphy was understood to refer to the horses as race-horses, when the plaintiff, who was giving evidence, interrupted:

"Race-horses, do you call them?" he asked. "What do you call them?" asked counsel. "Wagon-horses," replied the plaintiff. The defence did not dispute the charge claimed, but had a counter-claim for bricks supplied to the plaintiff. The bricks were understood to be against the horse charges, but Judge Young was not altogether satisfied about the counter claim and adjourned the matter until Saturday next when the owner will be required to attend to support his claim for bricks, which are valued at \$35. J. P. Walls appeared for the plaintiff.

MANUFACTURERS DEAD.

Toronto, Jan. 14.—A. W. Allen, president and general manager of the Allen Manufacturing Company, Ltd., and the Swiss laundry, died yesterday in his 56th year, after a short illness. He was born in Ireland and came to Canada in 1874. He was a member of the board of trade and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

MAY CALL STRIKE IN CORONATION WEEK

Seamen and Marine Firemen Will Quit Work If Demands Are Refused. (Times Leased Wire.) London, Jan. 14.—A monster strike that will affect the shipping of Great Britain and spread to other countries of the world will be called during coronation week, unless in the meantime the differences between the seamen and the ship owners are adjusted.

This admission was made today by J. Havelock Wilson, member of parliament and president of the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union of Great Britain. He admitted that the leaders intended to make the strike worldwide, as was planned at the Copenhagen congress in August. The union has a membership of more than 40,000 men. Unless the employers accede to the demands of the men a tie up is certain.

The men are asking higher pay, the establishment of a conciliation board and improvement in food on vessels.

FANCY PRICES FOR HALIBUT.

Fancy prices are being paid at Seattle for halibut, 10 to 12 cents per pound wholesale being the latest development. Owing to the heavy weather which has been prevailing off Cape Fatality and other halibut banks the fishing schooners have been unable to take any large catches. As the demand for the fish is great the price is soaring higher every day, and now Puget Sound fish brokers are becoming excited over the state of affairs.

Fishermen are also handicapped through lack of bait, few herring having been taken at Nanaimo, the source of the bait supply. Every pound of halibut that arrives in Seattle is snapped up.

RUPERT CITY IS SOLD.

Vancouver Syndicate Reported Well Known Vessel, Which Disappeared in the Northern Trades. The Vancouver syndicate, which has been reported well known in the northern trades, has been sold to the British Columbia Development League. The vessel was built in 1885 at Seattle, for Watts, Watts & Co., and was christened Powhatan. She is 180 feet long, 38 feet 2 inches beam and 14 feet 6 inches draft. She was engaged in recent years in transporting Chinese between Hongkong and Mexico and when the syndicate was formed the Mexican government had issued a decree against the immigration of Chinese was issued by the Mexican government. The Powhatan was laid up at Honolulu.

Then MacKenzie Brothers, with option of charter, and in 1908 she was brought to this port and the Powhatan was re-modelled into a passenger steamship. Capt. Dawson, who took command of the vessel for nearly two years. She sailed from Vancouver on her maiden trip to British Columbia on Tuesday, January 6, 1904. After a service to northern ports the Rupert City, as she had been christened, was laid up. She was then chartered to the Grand Trunk Pacific, which assumed the agreement of MacKenzie Bros. When this expired in December, 1910, the vessel proceeded to North Vancouver and anchored in the stream. The Grand Trunk Pacific has a long voyage across the Pacific. The ship is destined for Noumea, in New Caledonia. She will take a capacity cargo of Washington lumber.

SOUND CHARTERS.

Schooner Willis A. Holden has been chartered by the Globe Navigation Company to carry lumber to the west coast for the Tacoma Lumber company. The Holden will take about 130,000 feet. She is chartered at a rate of 42¢ per foot.

The schooner J. W. Glase, of the same company, has been fixed by the now at Port Townsend taking crew for the Tacoma Lumber company. The schooner is destined for Noumea, in New Caledonia. She will take a capacity cargo of Washington lumber.

LOCAL NEWS.

The death occurred at the Jubilee hospital, Friday, of Baby Sutherland, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland, formerly of Esquimalt. Watson & McGregor, local agents for Cypher's incubators, have fast delivered a 15,000-egg machine to Portland, the largest ever made in Vancouver Island.

For the sixteenth session the members of the legislature at the opening of the session were bountiful for the first time in the history of the province. The members of the legislature at the opening of the session were bountiful for the first time in the history of the province.

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GREED FOR GOLD MAY ORE OUTPUT IN SOUTHEASTERN B. C.

Over 47,000 Tons Mined in First Week of Year—Silver-Lead Shipment

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The total shipments for the week including the estimated milling, were 47,837 tons.

The total smelter receipts for the week at the smelters, including concentrates, were 43,800 tons.

Eight cars of shipping ore are on the dump at the Utica silver-lead mine, of the Stocan, and this ore will all reach the Trail smelter this winter, according to last advices. This ore is from the small vein, technically known as the sympathetic vein, adjacent to the main ledge, the latter, so far as developed, being confined to millstone ore.

The Utica is located on Paddy's Peak, about 10 miles from the K. & S. line, from Kistao. Mr. Caldwell and his associates are counting on the construction of the 2 1/2 miles of wagon road from a point they have chosen as a mill site, to the railway, and the mill site desired to erect a concentrator in the spring. A tram about a mile long will be required to connect mine and mill. The mill is required for the large body of millstone ore opened up on the main ledge.

The sweaters group, at New Denver, under the lease recently secured by J. C. Moon, G. B. Webster and W. Burnham, is showing an up well, and a car of high grade dry ore is now being produced. The ore is of a high grade, less than a foot in width, but has remarkable values. Present development consists of two drifts. There are also two other veins on the property. More money had been offered by railway companies than had ever been offered for this purpose in any city in Canada.

Simon Leiser is still determined to push theatre matter once again and obtains time for his committee.

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JUDGE'S REPORT ON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH PROSPERS

Annual Meeting Held Thursday Evening—Officers for 1911

The annual business meeting of the First Congregational church was held in the large room last Thursday night and a large and enthusiastic representation was in attendance. The church officers and committees chosen for 1911 were:

Deacons—A. Howell, A. Brak, W. J. Stephens, J. C. Smith, J. E. Andrews, Geo. Carter and W. Graham. W. J. Stephens and J. E. Andrews were the retiring members. They offered themselves for re-election and were re-elected for a term of three years.

Finance Board—W. J. Stephens, A. Brak, A. Howell, R. J. C. Smith, J. Carmichael, M. Hillis, F. W. Hawkins, J. Sinclair, C. Lancelotti and A. Hounsell.

Music Committee—John Hough, J. Sinclair, Robt. Smith, T. Ziddard, W. Morgan, C. Haworth, Gordon McKay, Arnold Vigelius, J. Wheeler.

Ladies' Aid Society—Mrs. G. Herd, president, 112 Johnson street; Mrs. H. Sprague, vice-president; Mrs. A. Brak, 1433 Elford street; treasurer; Mrs. Boorman, 1224 Alfred street; secretary; J. Nightengale, caretaker.

The report of the pastor, Rev. H. A. Carson, was as follows: In the providence of God we have come to the beginning of another year. It is only fitting that we should look back for a moment and ascertain some of the strength and weaknesses of our work. Yet we are happy in saying that we believe the fruits of strength and growth are in the preponderance. The year on the whole has been pleasant, a year of steady work, no great excitement in any department but progress in all. There has been no great excitement in any department but progress in all.

The attendance of children at the church has been gratifying also. So much so that the pastor has been able from the pastor for being present over 45 Sundays during the past year. One receives honorable mention, Harold Gray, over 40 Sundays; 46 others attended with more or less frequency.

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OFFICERS NAMED FOR PRINCESS ADELAIDE

New Vessel, After Having Hull Painted, Will Be Ready for Service

(From Saturday's Daily.) As forecasted in the Times several days ago, officials of the C. P. R. have announced the appointment of Capt. Hunter, of the steamer Adelaide, as master of the Princess Adelaide. This popular and comfortable skipper, after many years of faithful service in the B. C. coast service, has been rewarded with the prize of command of the new vessel, which is the most finely fitted and commodious steamer flying the C. P. R. flag.

The following officers will be placed under Captain Hunter: Pilot Officer and First Officer Rogers, both of the Scotia as third mate; Chief Engineer Moffat, of the Charming; and W. J. Operator, Leadbeater, who also came out from Scotland on the steamer. The Princess Adelaide, which forms a fine set of officers and crew, has undoubtedly the Adelaide before long to be looked upon as the best steamer on the coast.

All the interior work on the Princess Adelaide has been completed and the steamer is now ready for service. The hull, which is to be done immediately, is expected that she will commence her sailings on Sunday night. She will not get away before Thursday night.

The Princess Mary has arrived at Coronel. New C. P. R. Steamer Reached South American Port Yesterday to Coal.

(From Saturday's Daily.) En route to Victoria from the north, the steamer Princess Mary, reported by the Victoria Times, has arrived at Coronel, Chile, yesterday morning. As soon as she has taken on a cargo of coal she will leave for Callao to this city with the coal supply taken on at the former place she will call at San Francisco.

The Princess Mary was on Monday video on Christmas day and has made good time on her trip through the Straits of Magellan, which would indicate that she has met little bad weather. Through the voyage the Princess Mary has been running on a ten-knot clip.

Wheat Carrier Put into Honolulu. Her Valuable Cargo Practically Destroyed.

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being the Act pointed by law in amended under Statute adjustment of the Justice Court, City and considering Monday, the 6th day at 2:30 o'clock in the Justice Court, City.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person who has a claim against the estate of the deceased, should present the same to the court before the date above mentioned.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1911. D. R.

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