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TO SAVE TIME

The statement is made that both the Canadian Northern and the Canadian Pacific have their eyes upon a port in the southern part of Labrador...

SUNDAY NEWSPAPERS.

We quote the following from the Times: If the Colonist will consult the records it will find that the representation of British Columbia...

LIFE IN LUMBER CAMPS

Some person, speaking at the meeting addressed by the Rev. Dr. Rochester, said that lumbermen have to live in rough bunkhouses and hovels...

MEXICAN RAILWAYS.

The Republic of Mexico, under the leadership of the statesman Porfirio Diaz, has grappled with the railway question in a manner that shows an appreciation of the needs of the people in an unusual degree...

RAIL CONNECTION.

The presidents of the Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific have written the Victoria Board of Trade in reference to direct railway communication with Vancouver Island...

"THERE IS A BEE ON IT."

SHOTBOLT'S Compound Balsam of Honey is just the medicine you need for a cold and cough, but be sure the cut of the BEES is on the label. 50 cents a Bottle.

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either by bridge or ferry, were established on the mainland and a line were built to the summit of the British Columbia interior of central coast and to be available to all railroads upon equal terms...

THE STUDY OF GEOGRAPHY

For a people, who own a world-encompassing empire, it is surprising that they may be ignorant of geography. All sorts of amusing stories are told to illustrate this ignorance...

THE FLAG IN SCHOOLS

One of the amendments to the Education Bill proposed and introduced in the House of Lords provided that every public school should fly the Union Jack during school hours...

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

A question in which a great many people are interested is whether or not Sunday morning papers will be printed in British Columbia after March 1st...

The Advantage of Buying Here

The advantage of buying your Furniture, Carpets and other Household Requirements from us is not only the fact that we carry the best goods-obtainable and the greatest variety, but also that you can get your entire outfit in our store.

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Ladies' Dresser, Price \$100

Made of mahogany, polished, has very large oval bevel plate mirror size 22x12 inches, has one shaped bevel plate mirror on each side, size 14x10 inches, which swings to any desirable position...



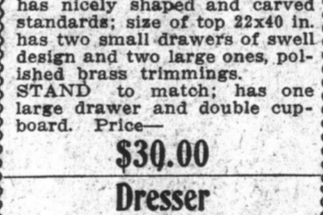
Dresser and Stand \$22.50

DRESSER is made of golden elm, nicely finished, has British bevel plate mirror at back, size 20x24, shaped and carved standards, size of top 20x24 in.; has two small drawers and two large ones.



Dresser and Stand \$24.00

DRESSER is made of golden oak, highly finished, has British bevel plate mirror 20 x 24 in.; has nicely shaped and carved standards, size of top 21x28 in.; contains two small drawers, serpentine design and two large ones.



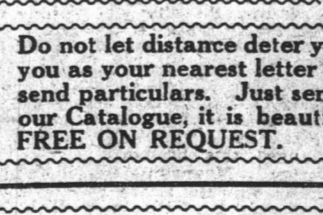
Dresser and Stand \$25.00

DRESSER made of Blain oak, has British bevel plate mirror at back, size 20x24 in.; has nicely shaped and carved standards, size of top 22x40 in.; has two small drawers of swell design and two large ones.



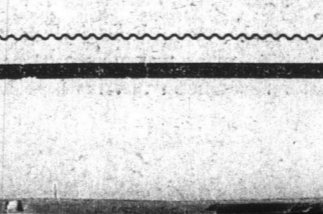
Dresser \$30.00

Made of mahogany, highly polished, size of top 24x48 in.; has bevel plate mirror in top, size 22x28 inches, is supported by handsome carved standards, has two large drawers and two small ones, has clear feet and satin finished brass trimmings.



Dresser \$75.00

Made of solid quartered golden oak faked, size of top 24x48 inches, has very large bevel plate mirror in top 20x24 inches, is supported by handsomely shaped carved standards, has two large drawers and two small ones, has clear feet and polished brass trimmings.



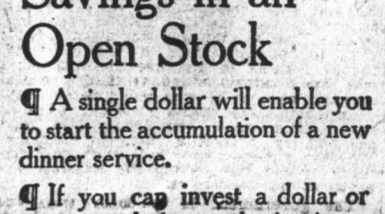
Dresser \$90.00

Made of solid quartered golden oak faked, size of top 24x48 inches, has handsome shaped bevel plate mirror at top, size 20x24 inches, has handsome shaped carved standards, has three large drawers and three small ones, has carved feet and polished brass trimmings.



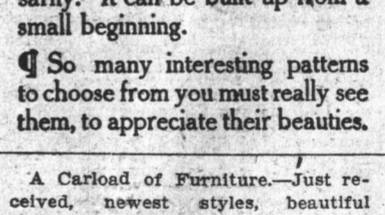
Dressing Table \$25.00

Made of mahogany polished, has shaped bevel plate mirror size 22x12 in.; has one shaped bevel plate mirror on each side, size of top 20x28 in.; has one drawer serpentine design and French shaped legs.



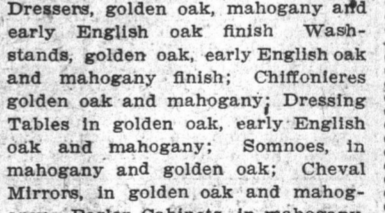
Dresser \$75.00

Made of solid mahogany, beautifully polished, size of top 24x48 inches, has bevel plate mirror supported by shaped and carved standards, has two very large drawers, and three small ones, is of serpentine design and has polished brass trimmings.



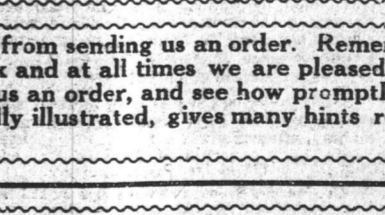
Dresser and Stand \$100.00

Bureau is made of solid quartered oak highly polished, size of top 24x48 inches, has very large and handsome shaped mirror 30 x 40 inches, supported by handsome shaped and carved standards, has two very large drawers, nice claw feet and brass trimmings.



Dresser and Stand \$80.00

DRESSER made of solid mahogany highly polished, has beautifully bevel plate mirror at back, size 20x24 inches, size of top 22x44 inches, has handsome shaped standards, has two small drawers swell design and one large one.



Dressing Table \$28.00

Made of mahogany, polished, has shaped bevel plate mirror at back, size 20x24 inches; has carved and shaped standards; size of top 22x40 inches; has one large drawer, polished brass feet and polished brass trimmings.



Dressing Table \$40.00

Made of mahogany, polished, has large oval-shaped bevel plate mirror at back, size 18 x 40 inches; has carved and shaped standards; size of top 22x38 in.; has two small drawers and one large one; is of serpentine design.

Ladies' Dresser \$50.00

Made of mahogany, polished, has large oval-shaped bevel plate mirror at back, size 18 x 40 inches; has carved and shaped standards; size of top 22x38 in.; has two small drawers and one large one; is of serpentine design.

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MODERATE GRADES FOR RAILWAY

Route from Butte Inlet Shows No Great Obstacle in This Line

VARIOUS SECTIONS IN DETAIL

Road Would Have Lighter Grades Than Any Transcontinental Railway Now in Operation

In the consideration of any proposed railway the most important thing is the question of grades. Latter day engineers have solved most difficulties surrounding actual construction and the feasibility of a railroad resolves itself into the matter of operating expenses. The grades necessary in the proposed railway across the central interior, reaching either in Canada or the United States.

TRADE WITH MEXICO HAS GOOD PROSPECT

Capable Observers Unite in Predicting That the Volume of Traffic Will be Large

The prospects of the development of an extensive trade between Canada and Mexico, with the inauguration of the steamship service early in the spring of the coming year, according to A. Brencley, manager of F. R. Stewart & Co., erstwhile of Victoria, and now of Vancouver, Mr. Brencley quitted from the mainland last evening.

Continuing through the canyon for another 15 miles, the first four will require a grade of 20 feet to the mile, or 11 one of 44 feet to the mile. This line will then reach about the level of Tatalyach lake, and 14 miles, the railway will be practically on the level, only 14 feet of a rise, from 2,750 to 2,764 feet above the sea level.

From Tada lake, the valley of the Chilcano river is followed, along the divide between the two rivers, the divide runs north to Punta lake. The total distance is 29 miles, and may be divided into two sections of ten miles each. The first, that rising from Punta lake, has a maximum of 53 feet to the mile, while the other is level, but somewhat rough.

Another divide has to be crossed at this point separating the valley of the Chilcano river from the valley of the Fraser. This covers a distance of 37 miles, the east end being 177 miles from the coast. It consists of five miles with an ascending grade of one foot in 88, a level stretch of 14 miles, and a descending grade of 27 feet to the mile for the balance of the distance. The divide is then followed by a valley of 18 miles, the elevation of 2,855 feet, and a course taken across country to the headwaters of the Fraser, which is reached when the route has traversed 207 miles.

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TOURIST COMMITTEE TACKLES GOOD WORK

Earnest Endeavor to Bring Settlers to Island and Foster Home Industry

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NORTH COAST LIMITED DITCHED

Traffic on Railways Still Obstructed at Several Points

Spokane, Feb. 20.—The North Coast Limited on the Northern Pacific, which left the coast Monday night, was ditched at Paha about noon yesterday, when a small train gave way under the rear trucks of the locomotives.

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NO LUMBER SHIPMENTS. MILL OWNERS on the Sound Compelled to Close Down.

Bellingham, Feb. 20.—Not a car of lumber has been loaded in Northwest Washington for shipment east for the past thirty days before the railways can furnish relief.

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DAILY REVIEW OF THE LOCAL MARKETS

There are very few changes in the local markets, the only new consignment of...

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ANTI-STRIKE BILL Trainmen Opposing It in Present Form

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Hon. R. Lemieux's bill to prevent labor strikes and lockouts in the Commons is being vigorously opposed by the trainmen.

ROYAL CITY PROTEST Delegation Will Go to Ottawa to Fight Campaign

New Westminster, B. C., Feb. 20.—A delegation of the Royal City will leave for Ottawa tomorrow morning, for the purpose of protesting against the recent amendments to the bill.

CHURCH AND STATE Division of French Episcopate on Lease Question

Rome, Feb. 20.—The action of the French chamber of deputies yesterday in voting to support the government's policy in the matter of separation of church and state has not modified the attitude of the majority of the episcopate.

HEAVY TOURIST BUSINESS Canadian Pacific Prospects for the Coming Season

Winnipeg, Feb. 20.—The C. P. R. tourist business through the coast is expected to be larger than any year before in the history of the business.

CONFESSES MURDER. Plumas, Man, Feb. 20.—At the inquest held on the shooting of James Alexander on Monday, the prisoner, Wilson Lyall, admitted having killed Alexander in the course of an altercation.

MORRIS PUTNAM DEAD. Winnipeg, Feb. 20.—Morris Putnam, president of the Hingham Smith Arms company, died today after a brief illness.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BORN: HURST—At 91 Harold street, Victoria, B. C., the wife of W. A. Hurst of a son.

OLD AGE PENSIONS. Toronto, Feb. 20.—The board of the old age pensions in Ontario has approved the government to pension deserving people at the age of 65.

A FATAL WRECK. London, Ont., Feb. 20.—In the wreck of the International Limited, George Bentley passenger was killed and Engineer Hardman and Fireman Barker seriously injured.

POISONED HER HUSBAND. Cayuga, Ont., Feb. 20.—The arrest of Mrs. Mattie Perkins on the charge of poisoning her husband, caused a great sensation here.

REVIEW OF THE LOCAL MARKETS

Very few changes to be noted in the only new consignment of local produce...

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Table listing various commodities like wheat, flour, and oil with their respective prices.

RETAIL MARKETS

Table listing retail prices for items like meat, poultry, and dairy products.

SCENES ON ROUTE OF NEW RAILWAY

Magnificent Exemplifications of Works of Nature Will be Visible THROUGH THE HOKALKA CANYON

From a scenic point of view the proposed new railway across the central interior of the province...

When Frederick arm is reached the route will be through the Hokalka canyon...

COLONIAL CONFERENCE IS SIGHTED BY OTTAWA

No Canadian Suggestions Appear on List of Subjects for Discussion

Many Sent by Other Colonies Ex-Judge Henderson's Resignation Accepted Only on Day of the Provincial Nominations

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Canada has no suggestion to offer to the colonial conference...

MANY MINERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION OF GAS

Seventy Men in Mexican Colliery Believed to be Either Dead or Injured

Monterrey, Mexico, Feb. 18.—A deathly silence reigned in the streets of this city...

Highland Light, Mass., Feb. 18.—This morning the Ottawa hockey team, was acquitted at the police court...

THAW'S STRANGE WILL ALLOWED IN EVIDENCE

District Attorney Jerome Follows New Tactics in Conducting Case

New York, Feb. 18.—"I never wanted to shoot the creature," I never wanted to kill him...

Nelson, Feb. 18.—An Italian miner named Louis Manrou, aged 28, was instantly killed at 8 a. m. today...

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PROMISING MINES ON PORTLAND CANAL

Provincial Assayer Describes the Discoveries Near Alaskan Boundary

RICH IN GALENA AND COPPER ORE

The District is an Extremely Promising One—Large Amount of Development Done

It is learned from official sources that reported richness of the mineral claims in the vicinity of Portland Canal has not been exaggerated, and that there is every promise of the discovery of valuable mines.

SOLDIERS TURN OUT FOR PAARDEBERG DAY

Excellent Showing Made by Fifth Regiment—Distribution of Prizes

The anniversary of the Battle of Paardeberg, in which the First Canadian contingent took a very prominent part, was remembered in this city by a regimental parade and march out of the Fifth Regiment.

HYADES RETURNS FROM FAR EAST

Arrives from Vladivostok and Way Ports After Rough Passage

THIRD SHIP FOR MEXICO ROUTE

Cargo Carrier Will Be Added to the Steamers Georgia and Lonsdale—Princess Victoria Returns

Steamer Hyades, of the Boston Tugboat company, Capt. John Avey, reached port on Sunday from a long voyage, bringing 800 tons cargo for Tacoma and 124 tons for Seattle.

KEEN COMPETITION PROMISED AT FAIR

Entries Numerous for Spring Show and Sale at New Westminister

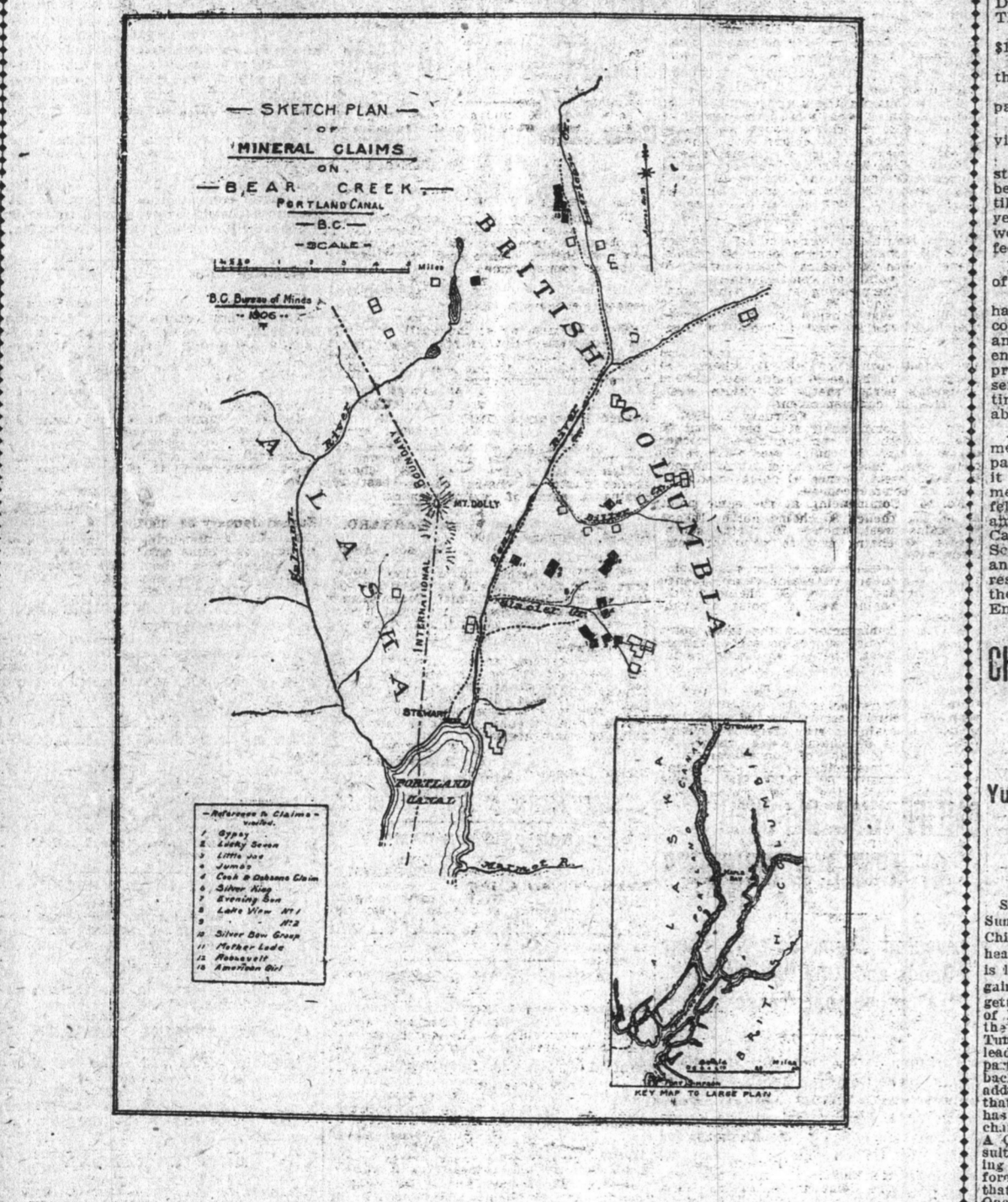
Sealing Master With In Cargoe, Dies at St. Newfoundland

CAPT. ARTHUR JACKMAN SAYS TO ETERNITY

In a recent issue of the (Newfoundland) Herald an account of the death and career of Capt. Arthur Jackman is given.

- No. 1 company—Corp. Ross, \$5; Corp. Parker, \$4; Corp. Loat, \$3.50; Corp. ...

MAP OF PORTLAND CANAL MINES



CHINESE REFORMERS ARE LOSING GROUND

Yuan Shih Kai Receives Set Back and Loss of Control of Chihli Army

A cargo steamer has been added to the Canadian-Mexican line established between the ports of Victoria, Seattle, and San Francisco.

THE PRINCESS VICTORIA

Will Resume Service Between Victoria and Vancouver on Thursday

Steamer Princess Victoria, which has been undergoing repairs at the B. M. S. yard, is now ready to resume her regular service.

MARINE NOTES

Steamer Horvick, one of the West coasters, arrived in the North China trade.

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COMPETITION PROMISED AT FAIR Numerous for Spring and Sale at New Westminster

ring fair and auction sale of cattle, sheep and swine which will be held on the 20th to the 22nd under the direction of the B. C. breeders' association...

CAPT. ARTHUR JACKMAN SAILS TO ETERNAL PORT Sealing Master With Interesting Career, Dies at St. John's, Newfoundland

In a recent issue of the St. John's (Newfoundland) Herald the following account of Capt. Arthur Jackman is given: Capt. Arthur Jackman, the well-known and famous sealing master...

HOW FIJI ARRANGES FOR CHEAP LABOR Miwera Carried Solomon Islanders From Australia—Repatriation Causing Trouble

From Brisbane to Suva the Miwera carried 150 Solomon Islanders from Queensland plantations under engagement to the government of Fiji for plantation work...

ESCAPING LIONS CAUSE A PANIC Steamer Miwera Brings News of Excitement in a New South Wales Town

News was brought by steamer Miwera of a panic following the escape from Devonshire of a lion...

LETTERS OF THE EDITOR E. & N. EXTENSION. Unquestionably Victorians should switch with the greatest rapidity...

Unquestionably Victorians should switch with the greatest rapidity to the railway development on Vancouver Island. A railway from Bute Inlet down to Victoria is all that is needed...

CANNIBALS RAID PAPIAN VILLAGE Carried Off Children and Ate Them—Punitive Expedition Attacks the Tribesmen

Monday from the South Seas, brought news from Papua of a cannibal raid followed by a punitive expedition...

CIVILIZED JAPAN Love your enemies. When Great Britain and France conspired Russia, they carried out their policy...

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NEW WESTMINSTER EXPECTANT Coming Visit of Great Northern Magnate May Mean Much

Within the next few weeks Louis Hill, son of the late Mr. Hill, president and vice-president of the Great Northern Railway, is expected to visit this city...

STOCK BANKER AND CAPS BUSINESS of Steamer Hydades From San Port Tell of Graft There

of the steamer Hydades, which departed on Sunday from San Francisco for Vladivostok. There is a serious suspicion that the captain is a grafter...

VICTORIA TIDE TABLE (based on the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Table with columns: Date, Time H.T., Time H.L., Time H.T., Time H.L. Rows show tide data for various dates in February 1907.

INCORPORATED WITH CAPITAL OF \$100,000 Royal Guarantee & Trust Company in Field to Do Big Business

The Royal Guarantee & Trust Co., Ltd., of this city, has just been incorporated with a capital of \$100,000...

Taking High Ground No right-thinking Canadian will object to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's statement of this morning...

Important announcements may come from the Hon. Mr. Laurier's visit to this city, but will be personal and confidential in character...

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IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR CITY HIGHWAYS

Work Already in Progress and More in Contemplation on the Streets

The campaign of street improvement promised by the present council on its inauguration has already commenced, and under the supervision of the streets, bridges and sewers committee is being pushed ahead with vigor. Already operations have been begun on the opening up and grading of some of the streets, the fixing of which the city has been awaiting, and the preliminary steps are being taken for the commencement of work on many other thoroughfares.

For the last few days men have been employed constructing the cement sidewalk on that part of Government street between Michigan and Toronto streets. This piece of road was secured by the city from the Cameron estate last year, by means of expropriation. The bylaw providing for its improvement was passed by the council, and it is the first work of improvement plan, one of the first measures put through by the present council, and it is of great importance to the city engineer this year.

At the same time that the improvement of the portion of Government street was provided for, a bylaw was passed for the opening up and grading of Dunedin street on the local improvement plan. This will prove a more extensive work than the grading of Government street, as it will necessitate the building of an entirely new macadam road, cement sidewalks will also be built on each side of the street. Altogether, it is calculated that the cost will approximate \$5,000, which two-thirds will be borne by the property owners and the remainder by the city. City Engineer Fogarty expects to commence work in earnest on the opening up of Dunedin street within two weeks.

Although the plan to do all work on the streets, at least so far as the opening up and regrading is concerned, is but a few weeks in the making, it has already been received by the council from residents who wish the street on which they live to be treated on this system.

The first petition to come in, is from the property owners along Madonna street. This street has been considered by the council, and the city engineer has been instructed to report on the probable cost of the undertaking, while the assessor is already at work calculating the proportions which will fall to the property owners benefited on the "one-third, two-thirds system."

The residents along Rockland avenue are also, it is understood, petitioning for the grading and macadamizing of their street. This is a local improvement plan, and a petition from them is expected at the next council meeting.

Considerable work will also be undertaken in the near future by the city in the neighborhood of Moss and St. Charles streets. Richardson street after crossing Moss street ends in a cul-de-sac, and it is proposed to do away with this and to connect the street out to St. Charles. The greater part of the property through which such an extension would pass is owned by the Pemberton Bros. and by Colonel Herchmer, and both these parties have granted the city the way through their estates. The city engineer has reported on the proposed extension to the council, and it would cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000, and as soon as the city assessor has determined the particular details which under the local improvement plan will be borne by each of the property owners benefited, the law providing for the construction of the street will in all probability be introduced.

There is also a plan contemplated for the continuation of Richardson street, once it has been extended to St. Charles, out to the Foul Bay road. At present the Gonzales Farm estate, lately subdivided, intervenes between the terminus of the Foul Bay road and Richardson street. It is proposed to engineer a street connecting the two thoroughfares, right across the farm. Negotiations are already under way between the Pemberton Bros. and the city, and it appears to be altogether probable that the plan will go through. Should the proposed improvement be carried out, it is pointed out that a splendid new driveway throughout the most beautiful part of the city would thus be provided.

In connection with the extension of Richardson street to St. Charles, the improvement will also be made to the former thoroughfares where it crosses Moss street. This spot is at the foot of a hill, and as the residents in the vicinity well know, is at present nothing more than a bog hole. The state of affairs will be speedily remedied and the whole street macadamized.

The city assessor and the engineer are already at work preparing their reports on the probable cost of widening Fort street and the proposition that cost to be borne by the property owners benefited, and this will, in the near future, be submitted to the council. When the council has received the reports, the bylaw, or rather bylaws, for the project will be dealt with in two parts, will be at once prepared.

One of the two bylaws dealing with the project will provide for the widening of Fort street from Cook street to Oak Bay Junction, and the other will deal with the widening of Oak Bay avenue from its junction with Fort street to Rocklands avenue. The street is at present from thirty to forty feet in width, and it is proposed to increase this to sixty feet. The bylaw providing for the carrying out of the work is being eagerly looked for, as the project has created considerable discussion.

A report has also been requested from the city engineer as to the probable cost of straightening the road from James bay to the outer wharf, and also for block paving the street thus formed. Other undertakings are being given precedence to this, and it is not expected that the report will be ready for some time.

MANITOBA TRAGEDY

Plumas, Man., Feb. 20.—Coroner Rose of Gladstone dispatched a jury and held an inquest on the body of James Alexander, who was shot dead near Plumas, and the jury brought in a verdict that the victim came to his death by a gunshot wound inflicted by Wilson Lyle. Lyle is an Irish bachelor, 35 years old, and has no relatives. He was taken to Gladstone, where Magistrate Cory committed him to stand trial for murder.

It seems that Alexander and Lyle

were neighboring farmers. The former kept pressing Lyle to come and help him draw hay, even after he had repeatedly refused. So Lyle told Alexander he would shoot him. He took the shotgun and fired, the shot going under Alexander's left shoulder, tearing off the bottom of both lungs.

He then laid the man on the bed and dragged Alexander in and laid him on the bed beside the gun. Then he went and notified Miss Alexander that he had shot her brother. Lyle is considered to be crazy, although he talks sensibly enough. To a private party he said he was possessed and forced to shoot. He said that Alexander provoked him to it. He realizes his situation, for he said to one of his neighbors' wives: "I guess I've got myself in a pretty tight corner now."

The victim was known for his religious tendencies, being almost fanatical. He was very active in Sunday school work.

CHILDREN BURNED

Overtaken By Fire in Their Father's Residence

Quebec, Feb. 20.—Burned to death in their beds in a fire which consumed the residence and store of their father, the young children of Mr. Savaak, general storekeeper of Valcarde, a few miles north of this city, met a horrible fate yesterday. Little boys, the ages of the victims were about two years and seven months, and three years.

Savaak is a Hebrew, and conducted a general store known as the "Settlement." The building and all its contents stood alone being valued at about \$5,000 were reduced to smoldering ruins.

FIRST CAKEWALK IN AFRICA, SAYS STARR

Professor Saw Natives Perform Gyration Credited to Southern Negroes

Chicago, Feb. 20.—The cakewalk is not of American origin, it had its beginnings in the wilds of Africa, not upon the sunny plantations of the South. It is a dance hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of years old, and was an acquirement of the negro before he ever set eye upon America.

The origin of the cakewalk has been unearthed by Professor Frederick Starr, of the department of anthropology of the University of Chicago, who returned to Chicago a few days after an absence of sixteen months, a year of which was spent in "darkest Africa."

Practically the only American addition to the dance is the cake, and it is not at all clear why it was introduced. It has all the fantastic antecedent of this, he says.

He always had supposed the cakewalk to be of American origin," said Professor Starr. "The natives of the Congo, from whose dances this cakewalk has all the fantastic antecedent of this, he says.

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There were other terrors than snakes, and among them were herds of javelins or wild hogs, which animals that Lady Constance Mackenzie journeyed from Scotland to Texas to hunt four years ago.

The first member of the party to encounter javelins was Mr. Kellogg. He did not know there was a pack in the bush when he got a shot at rather long range at a scouting bear. His shot was lucky, as the bear fell from cover, snorting and circling for sight of the foe.

The hogs sighted the two hunters and charged. They were high on the ground. Fortunately two scrub oaks were near at hand, and in the nick of time the hunters jumped up, one in either tree. The guns had been left on the ground.

There was not much to do except to wait and hope. The hunters were high enough to prevent the hogs' tusking them. After three hours of suspense the hogs seemed to give up, and they watch and slowly departed. A half hour later the two hunters recovered their guns and retreated to camp.

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FIGHT JAVELINS AND RATTTLERS IN TEXAS

Hunting Southern Wild Hog on Staked Plains Is No Child's Play

Houston, Tex., Feb. 20.—"We want the real thing with plenty of excitement," said A. A. Martin, W. W. Kellogg and D. W. Whipple, when they engaged Hardaway Evans as guide for a ten days' hunt near Pryor's ranch.

"You'll get it," answered Evans sentimentally, and before the hunt was ended they had fought wild hogs, killed large and small game and battled with rattlers-snakes.

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The first member of the party to encounter javelins was Mr. Kellogg. He did not know there was a pack in the bush when he got a shot at rather long range at a scouting bear. His shot was lucky, as the bear fell from cover, snorting and circling for sight of the foe.

The hogs sighted the two hunters and charged. They were high on the ground. Fortunately two scrub oaks were near at hand, and in the nick of time the hunters jumped up, one in either tree. The guns had been left on the ground.

There was not much to do except to wait and hope. The hunters were high enough to prevent the hogs' tusking them. After three hours of suspense the hogs seemed to give up, and they watch and slowly departed. A half hour later the two hunters recovered their guns and retreated to camp.

The toughness of the hide of a native pig was shown by a shot Martin made with his .308 Savage rifle at ninety yards. It was a big bear. Mr. Evans was in the vicinity at the time. A broadside of the bear was presented and Martin's bullet struck it just back of the middle of the body, two inches from the hip. There was no penetration and the bullet mushroomed and fell to the ground.

The blow was sufficient, however, to render the hindquarters of the bear useless, and it dragged its legs as it moved forward.

Martin believed the shot would prove effectual and did not fire again, but advanced on the hog. The animal waited until he was close, then charged again, dragging his hind feet. The movement was so quick that Martin did not have time to fire, but he dodged behind a tree and drew his bowie knife. The hog circled after him and the two men slipped with their tusks but for one lucky stroke, which sent the knife into its jugular.

A Martin brought down a pair of this bear home. They measure two and three-fourths inches each from tip to socket.

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In solid oak, upholstered in solid crushed plush silk. Colors: green, fawn, tan, red and blue. Regular values \$21.50, \$7.50
In solid oak frames, scroll edge, with heavy carved legs upholstered in solid silk crushed plush. Colors: green, fawn, tan, red and blue. Regular values \$25, Friday's Bargain, each \$12.50
N. B.—These Chairs and Lounges are upholstered in genuine solid silk crushed plush, not Cotton or velour plush

SELECTIONS FOR THIS DAY

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Premier States That Gov. Contemplates Advance of Project

DECISION WILL SOON

Practical Evidence Given of Capability as a Product of Fine Wheat

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—An important declaration was made by the Laurier today in reference to the project of a railway to Hudson Bay.

Mr. Knowles, of Assiniboia, up the subject, followed by Mr. Foster, member of the House, who made a strong case.

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