



BERESFORD AT 'FRISCO

He Thinks That Four Great Powers Will Soon Take Charge of China's Affairs.

Will Provide Revenue and an Army Under European Control to Spend It.

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He will agitate to have the placer mining law made still more stringent, in brief, to prevent Americans staking claims without recording them. He says the American sharper puts the posts on a claim, and making out the purchaser is too far away from the recorder's office, he has no way of ascertaining the truth or falsehood of representations made by the staker.

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CUNARDER DISABLED. Foyal, Azores Islands, Feb. 10.—The British steamer Colorado, Capt. Whitton, of the Wilson line, from New York on January 28 for Hull, has arrived here, and reports having passed the British steamer Pavia, Capt. Atkinson, of the Cunard line, from Liverpool on January 24, via Queenstown, on January 25, in a disabled condition about 300 miles from here.

ANOTHER CUBAN GRIEVANCE. Havana, Feb. 11.—The Cuban generals and soldiers were to take part in the funeral procession, without to-day because they were not allowed to march between Governor-General Brooke and his staff. The incident has caused in Cuba feeling among the Cubans, who it is said will probably protest to the President.

Cold Makes Awful Misery.

Atlantic Coast Visited by the Most Severe Weather of Many Years. Snow Blockades Stop Railway Traffic and Delivery of Supplies in Cities. New York Poor Lack Food and Fuel—Tammamy Subscribes for Their Relief.

Many Aged People Succumb to Exposure—Kentucky Cold Worst Ever Known. British Isles Also Stagn Swept—Severn Flooded and Great Battlement Adrift.

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COLEDEST EVER KNOWN. Louisville, Ky., Feb. 13.—The coldest winter ever known in Kentucky was recorded to-day. At Louisville the thermometer reached 10 below, but the snow suffered much more. Lebanon showed a temperature of 39 below, Princeton 30, and the highest temperature reported from 23 stations was 13 below.

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THE WORK OF A YEAR.

Chief Commissioner S'mlin's Report of the Transactions of His Department.

The Hospital for the Insane—Dyking Operations of 1898—Reclamation at Revelstoke.

The annual report of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, which Hon. Mr. Semlin laid before the Legislature...

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In Pitt Meadows the exposed portions of the dyke along the Pitt has been sodded, and arrangements made for the erection of a new dyke...

The County Revision for the Districts of Sumas, Matsqui, Maple Ridge, Coquitlam and Pitt Meadows were held...

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HEARING CONCLUDED.

Police Magistrate Disposes of the Last Charges Against the Robertson, Snider and Rosson.

Direct Evidence as to the Entering of Spencer's Barn in James Bay.

All the preliminary hearings of the several charges of housebreaking and being in possession of stolen property...

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TEXADA ISLAND. A Recent Visitor Gives a Graphic Account of Mining Affairs.

From the Nan

TAXES FOR THE CITY

Committee of Fifty Suggest Revenue From the Large Commercial Institutions.

Posts to Pay Compensation for Their Nuisance—Persons, Property and Income Rates.

At the last meeting of the Committee of Fifty the sub-committee on taxation presented the following interesting report to the Citizens' General Committee of Fifty:

First—That the sub-committee on revenue and taxation have in reply to their enquiries been favored with the annual and municipal reports of the cities of Vancouver, Winnipeg, Regina, Montreal, Halifax and St. John N. B. ...

Second—That an increased revenue could be advantageously obtained by the readjustment of liquor licenses now in force.

Third—That variety theatres and music halls pay a license \$500 per annum in place of \$100 as at present.

Fourth—That marine, life and guarantee companies should pay annual license in place of \$100 as at present.

Fifth—That telephone companies pay an annual license of \$20 on each instrument installed, used or rented within the city limits.

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Seventh—That private clubs, where liquor is dispensed, pay annual license in place of \$100 as at present.

Eighth—That the license at present paid by brewers be increased.

Ninth—That a license be imposed on each of the following professions: Doctors, lawyers, dentists, architects, engineers, etc.

Tenth—That a license of \$2 per annum be charged for each bicycle owned and used within the city.

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Twelfth—That general retail traders pay the following license: Grocers, \$100; butchers, \$200; etc.

Thirteenth—That permission be obtained to collect a special tax of a given amount on each poll tax or property tax.

Fourteenth—That a more practical system of collecting the property tax be adopted.

Fifteenth—That we strongly recommend the city to take early steps to borrow sufficient funds necessary to carry out the permanent improvement of the principal streets.

SIXTH DAY HORROR. San Francisco, Feb. 15.—Night 18 men started on their long journey in the great international six-day race at the Mechanics' Pavilion, under the auspices of the American Racing Association of New York and San Francisco.

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WEST COAST MINES.

Eastern Capitalists to Inspect the Iron Properties on Barclay Sound.

Col. Hayes and His Associates Leave on the Queen City on a Visit to Their Mine.

The mines on the West Coast of Vancouver Island are receiving an unusual amount of attention from capitalists at the present time and the prediction so often made last fall that the Island would this summer be a strong rival of Kootenay as a mining district is in a fair way to being realized.

The other party was composed of Eastern capitalists and men from Port Angeles, who hope to see a blast furnace and the accompanying industries established in the vicinity of the mine.

Col. Hayes and a party from Portland, who own what is known as the Hayes mine on Alberca Island, the first mine on the Island to ship ore, went down to have a look over their property.

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SCOVILL-WALSH.

W. D. Scovill and Miss Louisa Walsh Married Last Week.

Aldermanic Qualification to Be Subject of Investigation by City Solicitor.

Permanent Sidewalk Limits to Be Fixed by By-Law—A New Chemical in Sight.

NINETEEN COMMITMENTS. Charges on Which the Robertsons, Snider and Rosson Must Stand Their Trial.

Nineteen commitments went out to the provincial jail yesterday with William and Stuart Robertson, George Rosson and Alfred C. Snider, who are now awaiting trial on a series of charges of housebreaking and being in possession of stolen property.

Against the charges of housebreaking and entering the residence of Mr. F. F. Raitt; being in possession of the rug stolen from Mr. Spencer, the shoes stolen from Mr. Ch. Pichon; and breaking and entering the residence of Mr. E. J. Hall.

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Vessels from Many Points of the Compass Bunch at the Outer Wharves.

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The steamship Aorangi, outward bound for Australia; the Walla Walla from San Francisco; the City of Seattle outward bound for Alaskan ports and the Olympia, of the Northern Pacific fleet, just in from China and Japan, made up the very formidable fleet at the outer wharves at midday after a long detention on account of the non-arrival of the European mails. These were transferred to the ship on arrival of the Charley, which also lined up at the wharves in order to make the necessary connection. The Aorangi's cargo has already been noted. She was obliged to leave behind 150 tons of lime, which she had no room for and which will now be sent on the Honolulu by the next steamer. The City of Seattle also left some cargo behind, consisting of 13 head of mules, 21 men with 80 others were brought here for identification and will be shipped North by the Empress. She brought no passengers, but 21 Japanese and 17 Chinese for Victoria and 17 Chinese and 5 Japanese for Tacoma. Her cargo was a very large one, the most valuable part of it being 480 bales of silk for New York. The Walla Walla arrived at 9:30, she landed here 66 tons of freight and 20 passengers.

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