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Highway Terrors

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Thousands Locked Out

Vienna, May 7.—The Builders' Association today locked out 45,000 workers, stone masons and laborers. The stop was taken for the purpose of defeating strikes on certain buildings in connection with the completion of which is urgently necessary.

A Delayed Decision

St. Louis, May 7.—A cablegram was received from St. Petersburg today by the director of the exhibition at the World's Fair stating that Russia will make an elaborate exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

Mrs. Powell GUILTY

Dover, May 7.—Mrs. Mary Powell was found guilty of the murder of Estelle Albin, the jury fixing the punishment at imprisonment for life. The trial was held at Dover, N. H., and the jury deliberated two hours. Sentence will be pronounced on Monday.

Heavy Ore Shipments

Phoenix, May 7.—The Granby mines have shipped nearly 200,000 tons of ore this year. As the company's output handles more custom ore the tonnage of the reduction works is somewhat larger than that of the mines. Output of the Boundary ore shipments for the month of May was 10,200 tons; Mother Lode, Greenwood smelter, 2,500 tons; Emma, to Granby and Greenwood smelters, 500 tons; Oro Denro, to Granby smelter, 30 tons; total for the month, 13,200 tons. The total for the year to date, 280,000 tons. This week the Granby smelter treated 12,500 tons of ore, making a total for this year of 221,000 tons.

Will Use Carrier Pigeons

St. Petersburg, May 7, 1:10 p.m.—The Russian admiralty expects to be able to continue communications with Port Arthur in spite of the coming of the Japanese. Instruments used in wireless telegraphy have been erected at the fortress to communicate with stations at the north of the peninsula.

Russians Again Routed

Tokio, May 8.—(Noon).—The Japanese reported that they had routed the Russian forces on the Yalu river. It was the second line of the Russian defenses and a swift flight was anticipated. General Korokki pressed forward and struck before the Russians had time to recover from the demoralization and confusion into which they had fallen. The Russian forces were routed and the Japanese entered the Yalu river.

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Fast in Ice Pack

St. John's, Nfld., May 7.—Two fishing vessels have been driven ashore by ice in the west coast of Newfoundland. The crews were rescued and the vessels were destroyed.

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Town Said to Be Amply Provided For a Long Blockade.

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Port Arthur Will Be Bombarded In Order to Hold the Garrison.

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The war committee sat until 2 o'clock this morning, and at the close of the session it was announced that the Emperor has been informed of the presence of the Japanese fleet...

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CANADIAN RECIPROACITY. Boston, May 5.—A proposition to annul reciprocity in behalf of Canadian reciprocity was defeated today in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

THE BOMBARDMENT. London, May 5.—A Tokio despatch to the Central News states that after the steamer had been sunk at the entrance to Port Arthur...

METROPOLITAN HANDICAP. New York, May 5.—The first big event of the season in the East came today with the running of the Metropolitan handicap at Morris Park...

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Special Cable to London Times and Victoria Colonist.

Bulletin, London, May 5.—The Tokio correspondent of both the Daily Telegraph and Daily Chronicle assert that Port Arthur is effectually corked.

Tokio, May 4—3 p.m.—The Japanese authorities have received a report of the attempt made Monday night to block the entrance of Port Arthur harbor. It is without details, but these are expected shortly. It is reported, however, that the attempt was successful.

Tokio, May 4.—Captain Arima, who commanded, on two occasions, fireships in the harbor entrance at Port Arthur, speaking before a large audience here today, told of the destruction of the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk and incidentally threw some light on the manner in which the death of Admiral Makaroff and the annihilation of his flagship was accomplished.

However, when the Russians came out, and while they were still distant from the waiting Japanese squadron, the presence of the latter was discovered from Golden Hill, and word was signalled to Admiral Makaroff...

By watching the manoeuvres of the Russian fleet on numerous occasions, declared Captain Arima, Admiral Togo learned exactly the line covered each day by the squadron, left the harbor, and then dispatched the destroyer division, and through the night they placed in position a large number of mines which the Russians could be expected to sail through...

It was stated at the Grand Trunk office here today that the company will organize the surveys of the eastern end of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Just before the meeting a committee of parliament has been passed the company will put men into the field.

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Washington, May 5.—At the American state department today, announcement was made that the British government had requested the Nicaraguan government to release the crews of the Nicaraguan torpede boat, which were taken on board the Nicaraguan auxiliary vessel which was captured by the British.

London, May 5.—There was a lively scene in the Chamber of Deputies today when Deputy Mirabelli (Republican) proposed that greetings should be sent to President Loubet in the name of the Italian parliament.

London, May 5.—In the House of Commons today the question of Macedonia was raised. The Conservative, said that the civil agents of the powers up to the present, had made no progress in the region of Macedonia and that he suggested calling an international conference on the subject.

London, May 5.—The electric light company of St. Louis has been awarded a contract for a new plant of five miles west of Brandon which was washed completely away this morning by a heavy volume of water coming from the highland and flooding the zone, but few are expected to be seriously injured.

SMUGGLING HAY.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 5.—Special United States treasury agents, having headquarters in Ogdensburg, who have been investigating entries of hay and other goods paying a specific duty brought in at ports along the northern border, found two thousand cans of hay shot of duty amounting to \$8,000.

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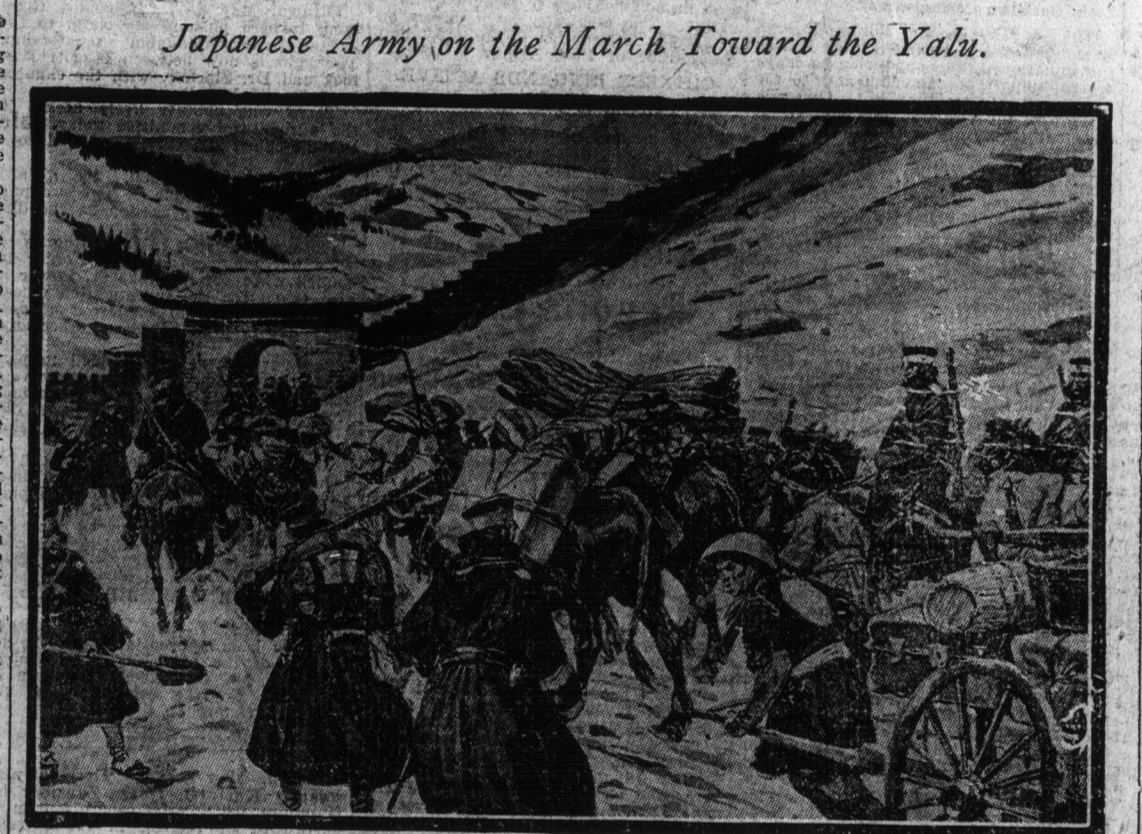
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THE WAR.

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joined his colleagues in the Cabinet, that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman could scarcely conceal his indignation at finding no support for his proposals, not merely in the Budget itself, but even in the speech explaining it. As for Mr. Chamberlain himself, he took the opportunity of the debate on the Budget to repeat his deliberate decision to defer any action on his proposals till the next Parliament. Was there even such a tantalizing situation! The events of office, apparently almost with- in reach, the Opposition not just beyond, because the Government adhered faithfully to its pledge not to pre- cipitate a movement for which the Opposition declared there was "no man- date from the people." There are some- times occasions in the history of the Opposition when its leaders would prefer that its opponents did not take too literally the statements or assertions which they make for tactical purposes, and this must be one of them.

Something, therefore, had to be done to draw the Government; to force a vote on a question on which Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Mr. Chamberlain, and others could not see eye to eye with Mr. Chamberlain and his friends. So the Opposition moved a resolution to commit the Government to a repudiation of the "Protectionist" policy of the "free traders" delight in dubbing Mr. Chamberlain's proposal. The explosion of such a nature as that would, in the opinion of the Opposition, result in a far-reaching effects on the fortunes of the two belligerents. Although not absolutely certain, it seems highly probable that Admiral Togo has succeeded in closing the harbor of Port Arthur. That almost certainly implies the end of any Russian naval activity in those waters, at least for this year. Even should the Baltic fleet be sent to the Far East and succeed in forming a junction with the Vladivostok squadron, it would still be an inferior strength to the Japanese fleet as it is to be used. But the land operations of the past few days are not only of great importance in themselves, but they may change the Russian plans for the future. The force under General Kuropkin is reported to have driven the Russians from their position at Feng Wang Creek. More important still is the fact that the Japanese have landed troops on both coasts of the Liaoting peninsula; have severed the railway and telegraph lines and completely isolated Port Arthur. Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, the new commander of the Russian fleet, will now be unable to reach his vessel. Admiral Alexieff and the Grand Duke Boris left Port Arthur hurriedly on Friday, fearing that they might be shut in if they delayed. The important official records, money and the field artillery were also sent back to Mukden. The garrison is stated to have been reduced to 20,000 men, so as to enable the provisions in the town to be husbanded as long as possible. The Russians say that the town can hold out for six months at least. But their statements on nearly every other event in the war have been so falsified by the facts, that we are not inclined to place much reliance on this particular statement.

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THE BRITISH POLITICAL SITUATION.

The sanguine anticipations of the Opposition in the British Parliament of the early defeat of the Balfour admin- istration appear doomed to disappoint- ment. It is true that Mr. Chamberlain is again in his place in the House of Commons; that he has quite recov- ered from the fatigue and exertion of his great fiscal campaign; that he is as enthusiastic and just as confident of the ultimate triumph of his proposals for a sweeping reform of the country's fiscal system as he was before he started out on his journey to the land of the sphinx and the pyramids. But his re- appearance on the Parliamentary stage has not been followed by what the Op- position had looked forward to—an open declaration by the Chamberlainian section of the Unionist party and the "free traders." Mr. Balfour has given practical proof of his declaration that he would not submit any fiscal proposition to the present Parliament, involving a change in the present system, whether sanctioned by his own proposal of a res- titutory policy, or the wider and more comprehensive one promulgated by Mr. Chamberlain. The Budget, intro- duced by Mr. Austen Chamberlain, was hailed even by the "Spectator" as a "free trade budget," and so scrupulous- ly careful was the Chancellor of the Exchequer of observing the strict neu- trality in regard to his father's fiscal proposals which Mr. Balfour has en-

would confront the farmers if the in- ferior advantage now enjoyed by Amer- ican lumbermen were withdrawn. "What our lumbermen desire is ac- cess to the United States market for their American lumber, not to be in Canada. That will not increase the price of lumber to the farmers of this country, but it will afford them a certain grade of lumber for which, in the present conditions, it is difficult to find a market. But any such in- justice to British Columbia that the lumbermen of this Dominion be- lieved for the supposed interests of another section of the Dominion. We say 'supposed' because an increase in the price of lumber would be caused by the lumbermen of the Dominion, and not by the lumbermen of the Dominion. We observe that the Vancouver Board of Trade is supporting the lumbermen's request to the Dominion Government, and it might be well if our Board of Trade took a similar course. The lumber industry in British Columbia is so extensive and varied that it is not possible to give a full account of its various branches. It is a business which is a detriment to the general business community.

CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

There was a belief held by many Canadians that the settlement of the dispute with the British Government over its interpretation of the Treaty of Commerce in respect to the rights of British fishermen on the island, the foundation, would speedily lead to the recognition of the island as a part of the Dominion. It is difficult to see how the adjustment of the dispute with the British Government would have any effect, since it has been held that the Dominion has no jurisdiction over the island until it has been formally ceded to the Dominion. The British occupation of the island would not be a breach of the Treaty of Commerce, as it is a part of the island which has been set aside for the satisfaction of the British Government. The British Government, in occupying the island, is not acting in violation of the Treaty of Commerce, as it is a part of the island which has been set aside for the satisfaction of the British Government. The British Government, in occupying the island, is not acting in violation of the Treaty of Commerce, as it is a part of the island which has been set aside for the satisfaction of the British Government.

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The bulk of reliable evidence from all sources warrants a negative answer to these questions. On Tuesday evening a meeting was held at Assembly Hall, in order to organize an expedition to Queen Charlotte's Islands for the purpose of exploring that island for gold and other minerals. Air- vice Waddington, Esq., was appointed chairman, and W. S. Ritchie, Esq., appointed secretary. The chairman in his usual felicitous style explained the objects of the meeting. Speeches were made by Messrs. Hicks, Long and Minor, Messrs. Bailey, Hinch and others, who were all in favor of the expedition. It was decided that there was good cause to believe that an expedition of seven was named to carry out the objects of the meeting.

What kind of a celebration are we to have on the expiration of the Hudson's Bay Company's term of the island, the last of this month? One party proposes a huge coffee represent it, and to have it buried with appropriate obsequies. The sale of thirty-one lots on Yates and Government streets, by the H. B. Com- pany, resulted in \$27,525, and with the build- ings, \$28,245.

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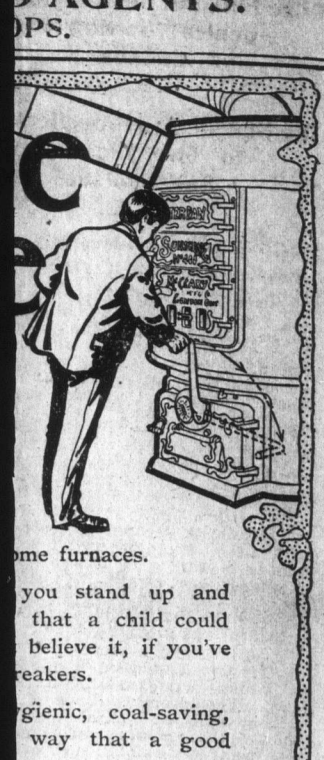
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LOCAL NEWS

(From Friday's Daily)

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The Alek District.—Some of the Sound papers are busy "knocking" the Alek district, but nevertheless encouraging reports are being received.

The Fall Fair.—A meeting of the transportation committee of the Victoria Agricultural Association was held yesterday at the office of the secretary, R. W. Winemont.

Postmen's Pay.—The Victoria postmen have received an intimation that the petitions which were filed at Ottawa from all points in the Dominion in favor of an increase in salaries are to have favorable treatment.

Groceries Seized.—Messrs. M. and L. Young have been summoned to appear before Magistrate Hall in the Police court on Monday next.

Crofters for West Coast.—Mr. Alexander Beggs, who has just returned from Eastern centres, has again placed before the provincial government his project for the introduction of a community of Scottish crofters on the West Coast of this island.

Branch at Colfax.—Two gentlemen, both high officials of the Royal Bank of Canada, took an afternoon walk to Colfax and through Comox valley last evening.

The Lenora Deal.—The following notice was yesterday sent to each of the creditors of the Lenora Mount Sicker Copper Mining Company, Limited.

Totems for St. Louis.—The steamer Nell, on her last trip from the North, brought down four huge totem poles belonging to the Indians.

New Placer Discovery.—According to the Skagway Alaskan of April 26th: placer discovery was made on McLutry creek within three miles of the mouth of the Klondike.

Could Not Sleep At Night. Was All Run Down. Had No Appetite.

Burdock Blood Bitters. IT CURED HER. (AND WILL CURE YOU.)

She says: "I wish to add my testimony to the many others who have spoken so highly as to the unflinching virtues of Burdock Blood Bitters."

BUSINESS CHANGE—All new Spring Suits, Overcoats and Pants reduced one-fifth for cash. Last season's goods at B. Williams & Co. half price

WICEROV AND EXIEFF HAD A VERY CLOSE CALL

Japanese Almost Captured the Train Carrying Commandant and the Grand Duke and Their Suites When Escaping From Beleaguered Port Arthur.

Special Cable to London Times and Victoria Colonist.

St. Petersburg, May 7.—It is admitted that at least the Japanese have succeeded in gaining a foothold on the Lyngs peninsula, and have cut the line of communication with Port Arthur.

DEFENDS PEACE RIVER COUNTRY

John Hilbert, of Altona, Contradicts Mr. Macoun as to Depth of Soil.

At Ottawa the other day, during the examination of Mr. J. M. Macoun with reference to the Peace River country, Mr. Hilbert, of Altona, Manitoba, was called in evidence.

LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO SMILE

And no wonder. Fine Weather has a good effect and "That Satisfied Smile"

Is Infectious, but nobody can "WEAR THAT SATISFIED SMILE" so well as the people who buy their Groceries from Garne's Store.

LIST NO. 1

- 15 POUNDS B. C. GRAN-ULATED SUGAR... \$5.00
1 lb. Royal or Snyder's Salad Dressing... 25
2 Tins Cream... 30

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- 1 Bot. Royal or Snyder's Salad Dressing... 25
2 Tins Cream... 30
1 Bot. Long's Jam or 3 pkts... 25

Any of the above articles except SUGAR may be changed for the FULL \$5.00 or \$10.00 worth of goods must be taken.

This LIST IS GOOD FOR ONE WEEK.

Garne's Economic Cash Grocery

Corner Yates and Broad Streets.

Another Disaster Is Apprehended

Two Victoria Sealing Schooners Triumph and Umbrina are Overdue.

Wreckage Supposed to Be From Umbrina Was Found on the Coast.

(From Sunday's Daily)

Since the Colonist, a few weeks ago, commented upon the question of the safety of the Victoria Sealing Company's schooner Triumph, there has been a great deal of controversy.

The Japanese army which has undertaken the investment of Port Arthur numbers fully 30,000 men, and all of them were landed by Friday night.

It is admitted that it will be necessary to call out the entire Russian army reserve, but this does not mean that they are destined for Manchuria.

At Kamloops the highest temperature was 75 on the 27th; lowest 52, on the 30th; precipitation 0.16 inch.

At Port Simpson the highest temperature was 68, on the 1st; lowest 28, on the 29th; rainfall 1.42 inches.

THE THIBETAN ATTACK. London, May 7.—An official report says that the Thibetans attacked the British post at the end of the month of May 5th.

GOES BACK EMPTY.

Says the San Francisco Chronicle—With the Port Townsend branch of the America Maru will abandon its steamship service between the coast cities.

IMPORTANCE NOTICE.

Lieut. A. B. Wrookoff, U. S. N., head of the Port Townsend branch of the United States hydrographic office, requests the Colonist to draw special attention to the recent changes made at Cape Stricker, Unimak Pass, which are important to vessels bound to Western Alaska.

IMPORTANCE NOTICE.

On or about July 1, 1904, a fixed white light of the 3d order, illuminating 116 degrees of the horizon, will be established in the structure now being completed on Cape Stricker, northern point of the southwestern end of Unimak Island, northwestern side of the northern entrance to Unimak Pass.

The Chinese Murder Case

Grand Jury Bring in True Bill and Trial Started Yesterday.

In Another Alleged Murder Case Jury Bring in "No Bill."

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Yesterday morning the Victoria grand jury, after a long and general day's deliberation, returned their verdict upon the case of the Chinese murder of a man who you do not know...

MUNICIPAL DEFICITS.

At the meeting of the council yesterday the report of the auditor was read, showing a deficit of \$1,500 for the year ending March 31st...

ISH MARKETS.

The market for fish is very quiet today. The price of salmon is 10 cents per pound, and of herring 8 cents per pound...

SING TRICK BY A CHINAMAN

Ed on Himself and Broke Up the Cannery Union. A Chinese man named Wong, who is a member of the cannery union, was arrested yesterday for a trick he played on his fellow workers...

BERLAIN GOES TO BALFOUR'S

To Force Government's Hands Resulted in a Compact. Mr. Berlain, the British minister, has just returned from a visit to Mr. Balfour, the British secretary of state...

BOY KILLS HIS BROTHER.

Endicot, May 5.—Alexander Endicot, a boy of 15 years of age, was arrested yesterday for the murder of his brother, who was found dead in a field...

RAVENS NEW ROUTE.

Russian Commission of Opinion That Arctic Sea Free of Difficulties. A Russian expedition has returned from the Arctic region, reporting that the sea is navigable...

N. Y. K. DIVIDENDS.

The Koko Chronicle of April 12th, just to hand, says that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is expected to pay a dividend of 10 per cent...

OXLOONE IN ILLINOIS.

St. Louis, May 5.—A tornado formed east of Mendon, Ill., on the morning of the 4th, and did considerable damage to property...

TO FORCE GOVERNMENT'S HANDS RESULTED IN A COMPACT.

May 5.—The outcome of the opposing members of the Commons to move a resolution of the government to accept the terms of the proposed railway bill...

RE TRADE WITH NEW ZEALAND.

Representative Visits Ottawa to Promote Business With Southern Colony. Mr. Scott, the Canadian representative, is in Ottawa to discuss trade relations with New Zealand...

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That Russian Beef Shipment

Much Interest in Fate of Consignment Aboard Empress of China.

Toyo Kisen Kaisha Discovers That War Time Business Is Not Good.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Speculation is rife in shipping circles as to the ultimate fate of the 500 tons of American preserved beef which went aboard the Empress of China Monday...

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Reports Grievous

Commander of Russian Troops Gives His Account of Sunday's Battle.

Was Ordered by Sasselutch to Hold on to the Position.

(From Friday's Daily.)

St. Petersburg, May 4.—The Emperor today received the following dispatch from General Kurupinski: "Major-General Kurupinski reports that the Japanese have been ordered to hold on to the position..."

Career of Late Senator Reid

Led Life of Hardy Pioneer in the Early Days of the Province.

Worked as a Miner in Cariboo and Gradually Worked Way to Success.

The late Senator Reid, of Cariboo, who died at Vancouver on Tuesday, had an interesting career. He was born in the Township of Hull, Ottawa county, in the Province of Quebec...

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NEWS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY

Cost of Maintenance of the Victualing Yard at Esquimalt—Service Notes.

From Our Own Correspondent.

London, April 20.—Major G. F. Mansel, who is in Canada, has been appointed as a member of the Royal Engineers at Aldershot for a course of instruction in field work and has been attached to the field depot for three years...

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News Notes of The Dominion

A Caustic Criticism of French Canadian Legislators is Revoked.

Troubles in Building Trades at Montreal Still Continue.

Montreal, May 6.—The people of Ver-

GEORGE MILLER LOCATED.

Heir to More Than \$100,000 Found in California Hospital.

New York, May 6.—After a search

St. Petersburg, May 6.—A des-

POLISH RIOTS.

Posen, May 6.—Warsaw newspapers

Fortress May Shift For Itself.

Russian Journal Advises Port Arthur to Make Best of Situation.

Retirement from Fengwangcheng Creates Very Little Surprise.

St. Petersburg, May 8.—In anticipation

STRIKE IN BREWERY.

Toronto, May 6.—About 1000 brewery

RAILROAD MAN DEAD.

Halifax, May 6.—Richard P. Arm-

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Winnipeg, May 6.—Kempsey House

PRIMROSE LEAGUE HOLD CELEBRATION.

Centenary Year of Late Lord Beaconsfield's Birth Duly Observed.

London, May 6.—The annual celebra-

MORE ENCOUNTERS ON THE YALU RIVER.

The Japanese Cavalry Chase a Russian Patrol to Their Entrenchments.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Tokyo, May 7.—Further reports

THE RIOTS IN POLAND.

Warsaw, May 6.—Chief of Police

LAIRD OF KIBBO'S LOYALTY.

Incorporate Praise the Good Work of Britain's King.

Port Arthur Reported To Have Fallen.

St. Petersburg, May 7.—The receipt of news at any time of a decisive battle near Fengwangcheng will not cause surprise here and already rumors are circulated in the city, which however lack confirmation and are believed to be untrue, that a battle has been fought, that the Japanese have been defeated with heavy loss and that General Kurapatkin was wounded. Another rumor is in circulation that Port Arthur has been captured, but this is also scouted in responsible quarters.

Tenders Called Improvements C.P.R. Wharves Northern Points.

Work to Begin at Once on Dock and Warehouses in James Bay.

Fine New Hotel at Campbell River for Sportsmen's Benefit.

Heriot Bay Trading Firm Erecting Large New Quarters.

Will Give Splendid Facilities For Handling Passengers and Freight.

Very general satisfaction was expressed yesterday at the announcement that work on the splendid wharves and warehouses on the southern shore of James bay, for the C. P. R. is to be commenced immediately.

C. P. R. Buying Property.

The C. P. R. is negotiating for the purchase of a considerable quantity of property on the south side of Humboldt street, contiguous to the site of the big tourist hotel, and it is believed that it is not believed the citizens will interpose any serious objection to a proposition of this nature, considering the tremendous benefit which will accrue from the acquisition of the property.

Shoal Bay George Monday, a boat-builder, has succeeded in working up a small boat.

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PHOTOS OF DOWAGER EMPRESS.

London, May 6.—The Standard's London correspondent says it is reported that the Dowager Empress of China has consented to sit for her photographs in order that people may be able to worship the imperial image, as is done in Japan.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, May 6.—The following are some of the weekly clearings, as compiled by Bradstreet for the week ending May 6, with percentages of increase and decrease as compared with corresponding week last year.

Youngusband Attacked.

London, May 7.—The Daily Mail's Simla correspondent says that a young husband, coming from the British mission at Gyantse, was attacked on April 5.

Loudly Praise The Japanese.

At Quebec little improvement is noticeable in trade conditions over that of the previous week.

British Press Express Great Admiration of Brilliant Strategy.

London, May 7.—The British press is loud in its expressions of admiration for the brilliant Japanese strategy in dealing in recent successes.

Mikado's Third Army Corps Has Yet to Make Its Appearance.

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THE RECENT FIRE AT GOLDEN CITY.

Business Portion of Town Was in Great Danger—Local News.

Golden, B. C., May 4.—A disastrous fire occurred here today, when the business block, shortly to be occupied by the Golden & East Kootenay Trading Company as a general store, was destroyed.

FORTY THOUSAND JAPANESE LANDED.

Bulk of Kuroki's Army Is Now Close to Russians at Fengwangcheng.

Paris, May 7.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says the general staff believes that the Japanese landed in Manchuria less than 40,000, and says that the bulk of Kuroki's army was this week, and that the army was following in three columns, the third column having been ordered to communicate with the troops landed at Posen.

VATICAN'S PROTEST.

Paris, May 6.—The French government has decided to reject, both in regard to President Loubet's visit to Quirinal at Rome, sent by the Vatican to all the other Catholic countries, and in regard to the Vatican's protest against the French ambassador to the Holy See.

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WARRIOR'S DEATH.

Nelson, B. C., May 6.—Capt. W. West, pioneer of Nelson, died at Victoria this morning of a heart failure.

Bradstreet's Trade Report

Improved Weather Conditions East Brighten Up Business.

Satisfactory State of Affairs at Pacific Coast Points.

Toronto, May 6.—Bradstreet's trade report is improving. This is to be expected from the opening of navigation. Shipments are large and considerable quantities of freight have accumulated to be moved.

NOTICE.

He states: "Our little boy was troubled with kidney disease, but he only began to get better after he had used Doan's Kidney Pills."

THE DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO., TORONTO, ONT.

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Father and Son

BOTH CURED BY KIDNEY TROUBLE

Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mr. Benjamin Brooks, a well-known farmer of West Cape, P.E.I., tells of how his son was cured of Kidney Disease, and how he was cured of Backache.

The First Sign of Kidney Trouble.

He states: "Our little boy was troubled with kidney disease, but he only began to get better after he had used Doan's Kidney Pills."

THE DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO., TORONTO, ONT.

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Engineer Who Helped Russia is a Former British Columbian.

Was on the Empress Liners at Left Service to Work in the Far East.

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