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MANY BODIES ARE COVERED BY ROCKS

IT WILL TAKE DAYS TO REACH THEM ALL

Remains of Several Victims Are in Sight - Committee Is Kept Busy Distributing Relief

The Times correspondent at Fernie reports the recovery of additional bodies from the Coal Creek mines. Thirteen more have been taken out and of these seven are unidentified. A number of the bodies are known to be buried under debris, and it will probably be some days before they are reached.

Archibald Dick, inspector of mines, in a message to the Minister of Mines, last night stated that on May 19th he examined No. 3 mine. All was clear of gas; ventilation was good, 27,000 feet of air passage per minute for 50 men. On May 20th examined No. 2 mine. At high line division there were 12,000 cubic feet of air per minute, 30 men, and in East and West districts, 75,000 cubic feet of air per minute, 60 men. He did not find gas in the mines. At a meeting of Winnipeg city council last night the sum of \$500 was voted to assist.

A dispatch from Toronto says the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company directors have authorized the statement that the company will pay all funeral expenses, relieve against immediate want and suffering and provide permanently any destitution. They state, so far, the cause of the explosion is not known, but that the day preceding the accident, the mines were inspected by the government mine inspector, Arch. Dick, who issued his written certificate that the mines were in excellent condition. Inaccurate telegrams from the West as to the mines being dangerous and reporting previous explosions, and assigning various causes for the explosion, should not be believed. This is the first explosion that has taken place in the mines. Men were recently fined by the magistrate at the instance of the company for taking matches into the mines, tobacco being found upon them, and one man who denied having matches about him, on being searched, was found to have matches in his hair. Very little damage has been done to the mines, and when the work of rescue is completed operations can be immediately recommenced upon the old scale, so that the miners may resume their operations at an early date.

ADDITIONAL BODIES Have Been Taken From the Wrecked Workings of Mine.

Fernie, May 27.—The following additional bodies have been recovered: Albert Cole, John Horbet, H. Hartley, Peter L. Lokae, W. Lezar, Jas. Mitchell, Three unknown from room 10, and four unknown from room 8. About 18 bodies are in sight and will be removed to-night. The work of recovering the bodies is slow, as the roofs of many of the rooms have caved in, burying the bodies under tons of rock. This work may consume a week more.

The suspense of the widows and families awaiting the recovery of the bodies is heart rending. Funerals are held at all hours and cause but little notice now. So far there are known to be 40 to 50 widows. This information is hard to get, as the coal company does not have it. The relief fund has reached \$6,500 and the committee is already distributing it. New cases of destitution are being found every hour. Another of our constables, G. Henderson, showed the white feather and "hit the ties" this evening. A. P. Walker was put on the force to-day.

PATHETIC SCENES. Girl Arrived in Time to See Her Intended Husband Borne to Cemetery.

Fernie, May 27.—Later—Good progress is being made to-day with rescue operations, and since last evening nine bodies have been recovered and brought to town for burial. The bodies which have been identified, list including: Wm. Morris, married; leaves widow and two children in Pennsylvania. Wm. Thorpe, also from Pennsylvania; leaves widow and one child. Jas. R. Wilson, Jr., son of the former underground manager. Joe Hubbs.

Preparations for the continuation of the funeral on Saturday are being systematically advanced, with indications that its sessions will be protracted, and thorough inquiry be made into the real responsibility for the disaster. The Miners' Union has retained the legal firm of Ross & Alexander, and are already getting together pertinent evidence.

The relief fund now amounts to \$7,400.

among the latest contributors being the town of Sydney, C. B., sending \$500; Ymba a similar amount, and Wm. Fernie, the only director of the company yet to contribute personally, \$300. Many intensely pathetic scenes are developing through the distribution of relief and the continuous funerals. Yesterday brought in a broken-hearted girl of 18 from Spokane, who had hoped to join her intended husband in this town and be married upon arrival. She reached just in time to see the body of her lover taken to the fast flying little cemetery. The Slavonic mother of M. Hubbs started for Fernie from her prairie home as soon as news of the disaster reached there. At Crow's Nest blockades interdicted further railway progress, and so across the blockading masses of gumbo, through the 35 miles of mountain and forest lying between her and Fernie, she plodded wearily, arriving this morning worn but still most bravely bearing up, her sole remaining hope being to dress the shattered body of her only boy for his last cradling.

THE RELIEF FUND. List of Contributions For Assistance to Fernie Sufferers.

The city official subscription list was circulated this morning for a couple of hours, and in that time the substantial sum of \$845 was subscribed in aid of the sufferers from the Fernie disaster. Doubtless by the time this paper reaches the street the amount will have been swelled to \$1,000 or more.

In addition to the subscriptions to the Times list acknowledged yesterday there is a contribution of \$5 from Narcissus. On Sunday evening a collection was taken in the Metropolitan Methodist church in aid of the rapidly increasing fund, and the very satisfactory amount of \$107 was realized. The city list as furnished by the Mayor follows:

Corporation City of Victoria \$250
Hon. Jas. Dunsmuir 250
Hon. E. G. Prior 50
Hon. J. D. Prentice 50
Mayor Hayward 25
Richard Hall, M. P. 25
Brackman & Ker Milling Co. 25
B. C. Land & Investment Agency ... 20
Dillard Hotel 10
T. N. Hibberd 10
W. T. Oliver 10
McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard 10
Robt. Ward & Co. 10

VICTIMS OF MINE DISASTER. (Associated Press.)

The original superintendent of mines here, has issued a signed statement in which he attributes the explosion to coal dust ignited by a blown out shot, and inferentially he holds the mine management methods seriously at fault, while James R. Wilson, former under-ground superintendent, who is now directing rescue work, positively asserts that safety was sacrificed to economy in the working of the mine. The miners ask for the appointment of a commission upon which the mine masters, government and men be equally represented, to fix the detailed causes of Thursday's disaster and suggest practical amendments to the mining law preventive of similar disasters in future in such mines.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT. Was Issued To-day by Provincial Mineralogist Robertson.

Fernie, May 28.—Later.—Provincial Mineralogist Robertson, this morning made public a statement, which directly contradicts all statements as to the origin of Thursday's disaster put forward by Blakemore, Wilson and other experts on the scene. These are agreed that the explosion must have occurred through the use of a machine in the workings and injudicious practice in firing shots. Mr. Robertson declares that while holes had been drilled they had not been charged when the explosion occurred and consequently could be held in no respect responsible. There have been 76 bodies brought up to the town to date, among those last identified being Joe Schelding, Alex. Beattie, Steve Rasmussen, Andrew Patterson, Nota Rossario, Antonio Pietro, John Satarovich, E. Federico and George Tuka.

TELLS OF DISASTER. Interview With R. Frise, Who Was at Fernie When Explosion Occurred.

R. Frise and wife, of Fernie, arrived last night from the mining town. In conversation this afternoon Mr. Frise said that he was in Fernie on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock when the explosion occurred, and it was not until about a half an hour afterward that the news reached the town. Immediately a relief party set out with doctors, and the first work was spent in the recovery of seven bodies, all of which were burnt and badly mutilated, having been covered with debris. The second day's work brought to light about 25 bodies, all of which were found in one place. They were not in the slightest way injured, and the unfortunate miners had evidently died from suffocation.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER. Ottawa, May 27.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns on Thursday in time to vote in the provincial elections. Hon. Clifford Sifton will leave for Winnipeg after the voting.

not credited by the wives of those at work, and Mr. Frise says that a great many would not believe it until undeniable proofs in the shape of the recovered bodies arrived. The scene then Mr. Frise describes as heartrending. Mothers rushed about almost frantic with grief. A very sad feature of the accident was the death of a number of miners who had just arrived to work in the mines from Montana. They had brought their wives and families with them and had gone to work on their first shift about 3 p.m., meeting death about four hours later.

One street in Fernie, says Mr. Frise, has on it exactly thirteen houses which on Thursday were inhabited by thirteen fairly well off, contented families. Every mother is now a widow, the husbands having met their deaths in the explosion, and that street is now one of mourning. The worst feature of it is that the families are in most cases large and were wholly dependent upon what was brought in by those who are among the dead.

THE RELIEF FUND. Large Amount of Subscriptions Received - Vancouver Corporation Donates \$500.

Mayor Hayward's appeal for aid for the sufferers by the disaster at Fernie has been liberally responded to, about \$1,150 having been subscribed up to date. The list of subscribers is to be found at the city hall, and those wishing to add their names to the list can do so either in person or by telephone. The Dominion Express Company have arranged to carry free remittances to the relief committee at Fernie. The corporation of the city of Vancouver have subscribed \$500 towards the fund.

Mayor Hayward has written on behalf of the Protestant Orphanage of Victoria, offering to take charge of some of the children left destitute by the accident. The offer is greatly appreciated in Fernie. On June 5th the Vancouver baseball team will play an exhibition match at Nanaimo for the benefit of the sufferers. The following subscriptions have been received at the Colonist office: Simon Duck, \$20; John Bryden, \$10; and \$2 from two other gentlemen.

The following contributions have been received by the Mayor in addition to those published yesterday:

Savoy Theatre	\$50.00
R. P. Rithet & Co.	25.00
J. H. Todd & Sons	20.00
Henderson Bros.	20.00
Challenger & Mitchell	10.00
W. S. Fraser & Co.	10.00
Dixie H. Ross & Co.	10.00
L. Gooderham	10.00
P. Percy & Co.	10.00
Pitner & Leter	10.00
Dowell & Co.	10.00
P. McQuade & Sons	10.00
Helsterman & Co.	10.00
Victoria Book & Stationery Co.	5.00
Bishop of Columbia	5.00
Frederick Norris	5.00
McCandless Bros.	5.00
E. B. Martin & Co.	5.00
S. J. Pitts	5.00
Thos. Shotbolt	2.50
W. G. Cameron	2.50
An Allen	2.00

THE LATE AMBASSADOR. Remains of Lord Pauncefoot Will Be Carried to England on Warship.

London, May 26.—The British government has gratefully accepted the United States offer of a warship to bring home the remains of Lord Pauncefoot, late ambassador at Washington.

The Funeral. Washington, May 26.—It is evident from the preparations so far that the funeral of the late Lord Pauncefoot will be made a memorable occasion. All of the available military and naval forces in Washington and vicinity will take part in the procession. The services at St. John's church will be conducted by Conductor Bishop McKay Smith, though Bishop Satterlee will attend. The President and his cabinet, the diplomatic body, the Supreme court, the members of the senate, committee on foreign relations, and the house committee on foreign affairs, Admiral Dewey and General Miles and their staffs, the bureau chiefs of the state department and the assistant secretaries from the other departments will attend.

Secretary Root has issued an order placing Major Hagen-Young in charge of the military arrangements. An equal number of army and naval officers shall act as ushers at the church with Major McCawley, of the marine corps in charge. An equal number of enlisted men from the army and navy will act as body bearers. The funeral escort will consist of a squadron of cavalry from Fort Meyer, a battalion of engineers, marching as infantry, from Washington barracks, a battery of artillery from Fort Meyer, and a battalion of marines from local posts.

Messages of condolence continue to be received at the embassy in large numbers. Among those received to-day was one from King Edward.

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FOUND HUNDREDS OF SMALL VOLCANOS

A SCIENTIST'S TRIP TO AREA OF CRATERS

Professor Hill Tells of His Investigations in the Island of Martinique.

Port de France, May 26.—Prof. Robert T. Hill, United States government geologist and head of the expedition sent by the National Geographical Society, has just come in from a daring and prolonged investigation of the volcanic activity in Martinique. Professor Hill chartered a steamer and carefully examined the coast as far north as Port de Macoub, at the extreme end of the island, making frequent landings. After landing at Le Precheur, five miles north of St. Pierre, he walked through an area of active volcanism to the latter place and made a minute examination of various phenomena disclosed. Professor Hill is the first and only man who has set foot on the area of craters, fissures and fumaroles, and because of his high position as a scientist, his narrative is valuable. In addition to his work of investigation the professor rescued in his steamer many poor people of Le Precheur, who had ventured back after deserting their homes and who found themselves in a fearful danger.

The zone of the catastrophe in Martinique forms an elongated oval, containing on land about eight square miles of destruction. This oval is partly over the sea. The land part is bounded by lines running from Le Precheur to the peak of Mount Pelee, thence curving around to Carbet. There were three well marked zones. First: A course of sandstone, in which all life, vegetable and animal, was utterly destroyed. The greater part of northern St. Pierre was in this zone. Second: A zone of singeing, disfiguring flames and great superfluous force, killing all men and animals and burning the leaves on the trees, scorching but not utterly destroying the trees. Third: A large outer zone of destructive zones of ashes, wherein some vegetation was injured.

The focus of annihilation was the new crater, midway between the sea and the peak of Mount Pelee, where now exists a new area of active volcanism with hundreds of fumaroles or miniature volcanoes. The new crater is now vomiting black hot mud, which is falling into the sea. Both craters, the old and new, are active. Mushroom shaped steam explosions constantly eject from the old crater. The old ejects steam, smoke, mud, pumice, and lapilli, but no molten lava.

The salient topography of the region is unaltered. The destruction of St. Pierre was due to the new crater. The explosion had great superficial force, acting in radial directions as is evidenced by the dismounting and carrying for yards of the guns in the battery on the hill south of St. Pierre and the colonial state of the Virgin in the same locality. Also by the condition of the ruined houses in St. Pierre.

According to the testimony of some persons, there was an accompanying flame. Others think the incandescent cinders and the force of their ejection were sufficient to cause the destruction. This may be investigated at any moment following the nature of this hill.

This is the first positive scientist statement based on observed facts. Prof. Hill is now started on horseback for the whole area and will try to get to both craters. He will surely visit Morne Rouge and the slope of Mount Pelee. The United States press dispatch announcing that a fresh eruption of Mount Pelee occurred during the evening of Monday, May 26th, causing a great panic at Port de France. The cinders and scoriae, however, the governor adds, did not touch the town, falling entirely on the north of the island. Calm is now restored at Port de France. The governor has abandoned his proposed visit to the devastated places on the island owing to the torrential rainfall and rough sea.

Several craters, the governor further reported, were vomiting thick smoke. Another eruption of Morne Pelee occurred as the French cruiser Tage passed St. Pierre recently, resulting in a shower of mud from the bed of the river Blanche.

The governor concludes that his latest visit to St. Pierre confirms the previous reports that the southern portion of the town was apparently destroyed by an inexplicable phenomena resembling a frightful hurricane, which swept from north to south. The fall of scoriae formed a layer a foot deep. The northern part of the town is buried under a bed of mud. It is impossible to imagine or describe the desolation of St. Pierre.

SPANISH MINISTRY. Madrid, May 28.—The Premier, Senor Sagasta, is hopeful of limiting the changes in the Spanish cabinet to finding a successor for Senor Canalejas, minister of public works. It is said, however, that the resignation of Senor Melet, minister of the interior, is irrevocable.

enormous greyish-yellow cloud at a great height is dimly visible in the direction of Mount Pelee. The night is intensely dark and the stars are only faintly visible. Fort de France is in no danger from the volcano, but there is considerable apprehension of a panic in the night time should the greyish-yellow cloud reach here and ashes and stones begin to fall.

Inhabitants Fled in Terror. New York, May 28.—Mount Pelee, France, which there was another violent eruption on Monday, was quiet again on Tuesday night, according to a heraldic dispatch from Fort de France. But, the dispatch adds, the inhabitants of the islands, and in a terrified state. The volcano is puzzling all the scientists, some of whom say the mountain has thus far made only a beginning.

Morne Rouge was saved from destruction last night only by a miracle, says a priest who was there. Two correspondents, believing the volcano had, for a time at least, subsided, planned an expedition to the mountain for the purpose of securing photographs. Several natives were employed as guides. After a wearying march, which took most of Monday, Morne Rouge was reached about half-past seven o'clock in the evening. The correspondents were welcomed by a kindly disposed priest, who gave such information as was in his possession. He refused upon a pause being made for refreshments, and in his humble home food was prepared. It was this generous courtesy of the priest that saved the expedition from destruction.

The original plan was that the visit should be made to the crater as far as possible, and a quick return be made to Fort de France to avoid all danger. The evening meal was being prepared when the priest pointed out the work of ruin that had been accomplished. He said he had refused to leave his post, though he was not at all certain Morne Rouge would not be swept from existence as St. Pierre. It was with him talking that the explosion came. From their homes the inhabitants of the village ran in a panic. Some did not wait to see what was happening, but hurried off over the mountains in the direction of Port de France. Scores went into the church and fell upon their knees, but by the time the lumber ran without daring to look behind. The display of lightning was terrific and awe-inspiring.

When the start was made on the return trip to Port de France the guides and servants were gone. The correspondents had to find their way across the hills as best they could. Behind Mount Pelee continued to belch forth fire, ashes, mud and mud. The detonations were of sufficient strength to make the ground tremble. It seemed to the weary travelers as if the mountain tops swayed above their heads. To add to the horror now and then a fer de lance, deadly as all snakes. Scattered specimens of these serpents, of which thousands have been killed by the eruptions, were seen amid the glare from the volcano and the flashes of lightning, gliding from the rocks and hurrying away as if they, too, had fled from their mountain home was no safe place.

On all sides were natives praying and cursing in turn. Many, exhausted, fled by the way and were unable to continue. From Morne Rouge to Fort de France, by the shortest route, that was travelled, was almost 40 miles. This was covered before dawn on Tuesday morning. Later arrivals reported that Morne Rouge had not been destroyed, as the force of the explosion was exerted in the direction of the sea.

Robt. T. Hill, of the United States geological survey, who left here for Mount Pelee, on Monday afternoon, has not yet returned, nor has he been seen from here. He planned to try the crater from Morne Rouge.

George Kennan, the noted explorer, has been absent in the north five days, and has not been heard from.

The Governor's Message. Paris, May 28.—The governor of Martinique cables from Fort de France under date of to-day, confirming the Heraldic press dispatch announcing that a fresh eruption of Mount Pelee occurred during the evening of Monday, May 26th, causing a great panic at Port de France. The cinders and scoriae, however, the governor adds, did not touch the town, falling entirely on the north of the island. Calm is now restored at Port de France. The governor has abandoned his proposed visit to the devastated places on the island owing to the torrential rainfall and rough sea.

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To GREAT BRITAIN, POSTAGE PREPAID, \$2.50 PER YEAR, PAYABLE INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE.



J. Bull—"Well, well, well! And you criticize my policy in South Africa, Sam."—Montreal Star.

NOTHING DEFINITE YET MADE KNOWN

THERE ARE RUMORS OF HITCH IN NEGOTIATIONS

The London Daily Mail, However, Takes a Hopeful View of the Situation.

London, May 27.—Just before parliament rose after midnight last night, a rumor reached the lobbies that a hitch had occurred in the peace negotiations. Nothing official concerning this rumor could be ascertained, but the dispatch to the Associated Press from Pretoria in which it was said that the prevalence throughout South Africa of the optimistic feeling in regard to the peace negotiations was hardly based upon the solid facts, may be regarded as an indication that such a hitch had occurred.

Little information from Pretoria has been able to pass the censor there recently. That the government yesterday fully anticipated a speedy conclusion of the present negotiations, and the postponement of yesterday until Friday or later, of the budget bill in the committee stage, with the view, as is frankly admitted on the government side, of recast, in the event that peace is secured. The tax on grain has proved so unpopular throughout the country, and has had an unexpected effect in reuniting the Liberal party with a most effective election cry, that there is little doubt the government will welcome an excuse to drop it.

The Daily Mail this morning says the cabinet council to be held to-day will decide upon points of details, mostly of a financial nature, which have been raised by the Boers in the peace negotiations. Great Britain's decision in the matter will then be communicated to the Vereeniging conference by delegates on Thursday or Friday of this week, probably on Friday, the day upon which King Edward's birth is celebrated. Peace is quite certain, says the Daily Mail, and the delegates at Pretoria are only engaged in endeavoring to glid the pit for the Vereeniging conference to swallow.

The Daily Mail says further: "Our dispatches from Pretoria assert that numerous communications are passing between Lord Kitchener and Lord Balfour in South Africa and London. Lord Kitchener, although he is still full of energy, is much aged in appearance as a result of the severe strain which he has undergone. The consensus of opinion is that the recent negotiations have proved Lord Kitchener to be a great diplomatist, as well as a great soldier. It is difficult to appreciate the magnitude of the difficulties Lord Kitchener has had to contend with. The death penalty was particularly atrocious. On the 11th of April he shot and killed Ella Jarden, by whom he was employed as a servant, and her two daughters, aged 12 and 7 years. Lane had stolen money from his employer and fanning the consequences of his theft he deliberately shot the woman and her younger daughter in the upper room of his home, and then called the elder child from the street where she had been playing and shot and killed her.

NEGRO HANGED. He Shot His Employer and Her Two Daughters.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 27.—William Harmon Lane, colored, was hanged at 10:05 o'clock this morning. The crime for which Lane paid the death penalty was particularly atrocious. On the 11th of April he shot and killed Ella Jarden, by whom he was employed as a servant, and her two daughters, aged 12 and 7 years. Lane had stolen money from his employer and fanning the consequences of his theft he deliberately shot the woman and her younger daughter in the upper room of his home, and then called the elder child from the street where she had been playing and shot and killed her.

The Conference. Pretoria, May 26.—The prevalence through South Africa of the optimistic

feeling in regard to the peace negotiations is hardly based on solid facts. The protraction of the conference at Vereeniging is not necessarily a hopeful sign. The delegates to the conference, although they have abandoned their hopes of securing independence, still have some points of difference with the government. An obstinate minority continues to regard the resumption of hostilities as the best outcome of the present situation, and at any moment these points of difference may be accentuated into a refusal to continue the negotiations. It is most unlikely that those who are in favor of peace will throw up the sponge so long as a decent minority is desirous of continuing the struggle, and all the elements must be taken into account before it is possible to give any sort of prediction as to the issue of the present negotiations.

From The Hague. The Hague, May 26.—It is stated in Boer circles here that the peace proposals made to the conference at Vereeniging, Transvaal, include the condition that the Boers in the field be allowed to consult with the Boer delegates in Europe before a definite settlement is reached. It is declared also, upon the same authority, that the British government refused May 23rd to accede to this request.

Discussed Messages. London, May 27.—The British cabinet was in session for two hours to-day discussing the communications received from Pretoria since the meeting of the ministers on Friday last.

It is understood that the inner committee of the cabinet will telegraph the result of the deliberations to Pretoria this afternoon. The Boer delegates at the Transvaal capital will then probably return to Vereeniging and report to the burghers who are still assembled there.

A. J. Balfour, the government premier, made no statement in the House of Commons to-day in regard to the peace negotiations, but he announced a postponement of the communications received from Pretoria since the meeting of the ministers on Friday last.

Mr. Balfour subsequently explained that it would be impossible in discussing the budget to prevent references to the peace negotiations.

According to the views of officials here there is nothing to warrant the pessimistic opinions expressed in some quarters regarding the ultimate outcome of the discussions at Pretoria and at Vereeniging. The Associated Press learns that the government continues to be satisfied that the negotiations will result in a peaceful settlement. Some minor points are still being discussed, but these are expected to be fully disposed of within a day or two.

THE NEW BY-LAWS BEFORE COUNCIL

CITY FATHERS IN AN ADJOURNED SESSION

Discussed Mr. Oliver's Amendments to Municipal Clauses Act—City Clerk Writes on Subject.

Certain amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act, introduced in the legislature by John Oliver, M.P.P. for Delta, were considered by the city council at an adjourned meeting last night.

In this connection a communication from the city clerk, W. J. Dowler, threw much light on the matter. It read as follows:

To His Worship Mayor Hayward: Sir—I beg to call your attention to the provisions of Sec. 3 of Bill No. 57, entitled an Act to amend the Municipal Elections Act, which reads as follows:

"Section 9 of said chapter 68 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: 9. In any municipality the list of voters shall be closed on or before the 25th day of January of the year in which amendments are made, and within three days after the closing thereof, the clerk of the municipality shall cause to be printed a certified copy of such voters' list, ten or more copies of which shall be posted in conspicuous public places in the municipality."

It may be possible that these provisions are capable of being followed out in any municipality where the number of voters is limited, but in a city municipality like Victoria it is different in order that it may be easy to form an idea of the time involved in the proper printing of the annual voters' list of this city, I would state that the total number of voters, as given in the last list prepared, being for 1902, is as follows: North Ward, 2,244; Central Ward, 1,074; South Ward, 1,343; Mayor's Ward, 5,000. When it is remembered that each one of these names has to be checked with the printed proofs, at least twice before they can be said to be correct, and in addition to be certified to, and when the time actually taken up in the printing of the list is added to this work, some conception can be had of the time which is absolutely necessary to a proper printing of so large a list.

The enclosed specification, which has been in use a number of years in connection with the printing of the annual voters' list, clearly shows that the period of not less than six weeks has been considered necessary for this work, and that this was not too long but rather more than once when the Mayor was kept up until 12 o'clock at night in order that the lists might be certified to as correct on the day appointed for the election. It is for no other reason than that the printer and his staff of one of the largest printing establishments in the city, were unable to print the lists before the day appointed, although there had been no delay in the correction and transmission of copy.

In the printing of the lists, the printer prints the names first in galley and then when these forms have been corrected and the list or lists are ready to be set up, they are arranged in columns and afterwards struck off and of the time which is operation being of course after they are certified as correct.

With reference to the above section, I have no hesitation in saying that the carrying out of its provisions with reference to the preparation of the voters' lists of this city for the annual municipal election is an absolute impossibility of Sec. 2 of the bill, the mode of operation of the voters' list will be different from that followed hitherto, still, it is doubtful if the actual number of names that have to be printed and the time taken for the printing is less than at present. The way that matters will work out under the new method, so far as I can see, will be as follows:

Voters are given to the 31st day of December inclusive, wherein to make a statutory declaration in writing that they are in fact in such cases; in fact, it has almost invariably been the rule, persons leave the matter till the last day or two before the closing of the lists, and then the applicants call to make statutory declarations, is besieged in such numbers as to make it difficult to accommodate them. It is very much to be regretted that householders were not accommodated, what would be the condition of affairs when such an arrangement involves the closing of the lists on or before the 25th day of January, and that the clerk of the municipality is obliged to compare with the question of getting the list ready, that is, a copy for the printer, alphabetically arranged, printed, corrected name by name, corrected in columnar form, re-checked and certified to as correct, within three days. Granted that indexes are opened on the first day of December, and that entries are made therein as they are made, there will come a time during the latter part of the month when, owing to the large number of declarations, it will be necessary to keep a number of clerks employed as working all night to write up the indexes for the following day, so that the indexes may be kept posted up with the applications. These indexes of course will be indexes of the wards and of the Mayor's list.

The above section says: "A list of voters shall be closed on or before the 25th day of January." The object of this necessity is to the day on which the voters' list shall close is difficult to see, while the advantage of having on specific day for the closing of the list is that it does away with any question which may arise as to when the list was actually closed. But granting that the list closes on the 25th day of January, the clerk takes place on the third Monday in January. If the 25th day of January should fall on a Monday, and three days are given to have the list closed, certified to and printed, seven days will be given the public who are interested to ascertain whether their names are on the list, and have them inserted in the list, and to turn their names up and down in that case the instance has yet to be ascertained that the list has not contained omissions which the most careful checking and correcting have failed to prevent. The fact is that if on the 25th day of January

you were to take 8,000 names to any printer in town and ask him to produce correct lists, wards and Mayor's, within three days, he would regard such a request with amazement.

As to Sec. 2 of the bill, it would appear that the words "assessor or" have been omitted before the words "clerk of the municipality." In the 22nd line, they occur in sub-section 3 of "B," and should the bill be recommitted, it is to be hoped that the section may be amended so as to make one part conform to the other.

I have prepared the voters' lists for this municipality for many years, and if I may be permitted to offer a suggestion in regard to this matter, it would be, that the month for receiving declarations as contemplated under section 2 of the bill, be the month of November, instead of December, and that section 9 of the original act remain as it is without alteration, or amendment, or repeal. If this were done there would be then a limited period enough wherein to get a certified copy of the lists ready, and it would afford the lists were posted after the third Monday in December, one month to the public to acquaint themselves as to whether their names were on the list, and remedy, if necessary, any errors in spelling or omissions that may have occurred under section 4 of the bill, which section, I understand, has already been passed in committee.

If the section (9) passes as framed, it will render abortive any attempt to hold a municipal election in the city of Victoria. W. J. DOWLER, City Clerk.

After some discussion the question was referred to the committee on legislation, and Mr. Dowler will accompany the aldermen to the legislature to explain the matter to the local members.

M. Hutchison, superintendent of the water works, reported that in view of the accident to a 74-inch fly wheel the other night, he had asked foundrymen to tender for the repairs required. Three tenders were received from the following: Andrew Gray, \$177; Victoria Machinery Depot, \$138 and \$250, and Albion Iron Works, \$205. Referred to the purchasing agent and the superintendent with power to act.

A letter was read from the Tourists' Association drawing attention to the very satisfactory work it had accomplished this year, and referring to the successful tour of its traveling representative in the South. The writers, A. B. Fraser, sr., honorable treasurer, and Frank J. Clarke, secretary, asked that the council grant the association all the financial assistance possible. They also reported that during the past few weeks the following printed matter had been issued by the association, most of which has been carefully distributed: 15,000 illustrated booklets, 20,000 6-page folders, 10,000 8-page guides to the city, 20,000 6-page illustrated folders. In addition to the above 20,000 more illustrated booklets are now in the press, which may be increased to 50,000.

Ald. Yates moved the report be referred to the finance committee, and this was adopted.

A communication from George Sheldon Williams was read asking that the city purchase copies of a recent number of the B. C. Mining Record, containing an article regarding the Mount Sicker mine and Crofton. Referred to the Tourist Association.

A matter brought up by Ald. Worthington—a claim for damages laid by Mr. Riddle in consequence of an accident to his horse at the corner of the city sidewalk—stood over until Monday.

The new by-laws then came up. The bread by-law was finally carried and the curfew by-law stood over owing to the absence of Ald. Williams. The wood sawing by-law was read a third time and Ald. Cameron's read remaining by-law was introduced and read a first and second time. The council then adjourned.

A MILITARY VISITOR

Sergeant-Major Robertson, of the 48th, Who is One of Canada's Finest Soldiers.

Sergeant-Major Robertson, of the 48th Highlanders, a veteran of the rebellion of 1885, is paying a brief visit to Victoria. The sergeant-major recently took a company of 40 Highlanders and 80 pipers to New York, where they were given a splendid reception, and where the sergeant-major himself created a considerable sensation on account of his splendid physique and other soldierly attributes.

Sergeant-Major Robertson is one of the best known military men in Toronto, where he holds the post of drill instructor to the fire brigade. He arrived here yesterday afternoon, and is expected to stay in Victoria, and regrets that he will be compelled to leave either tomorrow or the following day. The sergeant-major could have gone to London with the contingent, but as he had an opportunity of coming West—an opportunity which he had been long wishing for—he preferred to come here.

Sergeant-Major Robertson has several friends here, among them being Mrs. Fox, of 227 Pandora street, and Mr. Tennant, of the Royal Engineers. He paid a visit to the latter at Work Point yesterday afternoon, and spent some time in looking over the batteries.

The sergeant-major is staying at the Dominion hotel, and is inspecting round the city and its outskirts with a kodak, so that he will take some mementoes of his visit away with him.

ON FRENCH SOIL

President Loubet Returns From Visit To Russia.

Dunkirk, France, May 27.—The French squadron of warships, which recently visited Constantinople, Russia, to escort President Loubet, arrived here today. M. Loubet landed at noon. He was welcomed by the mayor and received an ovation from the populace. The President proceeded to the chamber of commerce, and at a subsequent luncheon he expressed his delight at the extreme cordiality of the welcome extended to him by both the imperial family and the people of Russia. The strengthening of the bonds uniting Russia and France would, he believed, have the beneficial effect of causing Frenchmen to forget their own differences, which were more apparent than real, and to turn their united attention to financial, economical and social problems urgently requiring settlement. The President concluded with drinking a toast "to the reunion of all Frenchmen."

NEWS NOTES FROM EASTERN CANADA

DROWNED FEW DAYS BEFORE HIS MARRIAGE

Missionary Lost His Life While Trying to Cross Creek—Alleged Wife Murder at Winnipeg.

Montreal, May 27.—The Court of Appeal has quashed the verdict of murder against Wm. Loag, of St. Edienne, for shooting Denis Labrecq, a hired man, and ordered a new trial, on the ground of irrelevant evidence. Long claims the deed was done in self-defence.

Preliminary Hearing. Winnipeg, May 27.—Gustav Mueller had his preliminary hearing at the police court today for the alleged murder of his wife, who was found dead on the C. P. R. track in February last. There was no startling evidence to-day.

Rancher Dead. James Ball, a well known rancher of Alberta district, is dead.

Bridge Carried Away. The water is very high in the South Saskatchewan at Saskatoon. One span of the bridge has been carried away.

Election Returns. Complete returns from Battleford division elect Prince (government) by 15 majority, over Dunn (independent). The Cardston election, it is reported, is owing to high water and other difficulties.

Welcomed Home. Premier Haultain received a warm welcome yesterday on his return to Regina from his constituency. His departure for England is delayed until next week.

Freight on Coal. The Canadian Pacific announces a reduction of 50 cents a ton in the price of coal and coke between Fort William and Winnipeg and other points in Manitoba, the new tariff to become effective June 1st next. The present rates between Fort William and Winnipeg is \$3 per ton of 2,000 lbs. net; but under the new arrangement it will be \$2.50.

Arrested. Hamilton, May 27.—Robert Rodhouse and Lockhart M. Gordon, Socialist candidates in Hamilton, were last night arrested while haranguing a large crowd.

Drowned in Creek. Calgary, May 27.—Rev. E. Wood, Methodist missionary at Carstairs, was drowned while attempting to cross a large creek swollen by recent floods. He sent his horse ahead with his attached and attempted to follow. When in mid-stream the line parted, and Mr. Wood was hurried away and drowned. The accident was expected by Mr. Wood, who was to have been married this week. He was 32 years of age, and an Englishman.

Final Meetings. Toronto, May 27.—The Liberals held a wind-up meeting in Massey hall this evening. Mr. Ross was the chief speaker, and the central figure of the evening. Mr. Whitney was speaking this evening in Dundas. This closes the campaign. He returns to his constituency to-morrow.

Toronto Market. Toronto, May 27.—C. P. R. was chief speculative interest on the local market yesterday in sympathy with the movement in New York. It opened 4 points higher than on Saturday, at 139 1/2, advanced to 140 1/2, settled at 137 1/2, and closed 140.

Trade Relations. Winnipeg, May 27.—Letters have been received from the Commercial Club, Minneapolis, by the board of trade which refers to the calling of a convention to discuss trade relations with a view to reciprocity.

Destructive Fire. Springfield, Ont., May 27.—Fire broke out yesterday afternoon in C. B. Adams' saw mill, and before being got under control did damage amounting to \$50,000. Among the buildings were those belonging to Dr. W. Henry, Dr. Swick, B. Peck, John Hewer, R. T. Scott and Wilcox & Smith. The Methodist church was also burned.

Proposed New Settlement. Kingston, Jamaica, May 27.—The planters here are warmly supporting the proposal to bring hundreds of the sufferers from the volcanic outbreak on the island of St. Vincent to settle here, and also to settle them on the crown lands. The government of Jamaica is being asked to make an offer to transport people from St. Vincent to Jamaica.

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NERVOUS TROUBLES

There is no torture more acute and intolerable than nervousness. A nervous person is in a state of constant irritation by day and sleeplessness by night. The sufferer starts at every noise, is worried by a feeling that something awful is going to happen; is shaky, depressed, and, although in a constantly exhausted state, is unable to sit or lie still. If you are nervous or worried or suffer from a combination of languor and constant irritation, you need a nerve food and nerve tonic, and

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

for Pale People. It is absolutely the best thing in the world for you. You will find after taking them that your feelings of distress and worry are being rapidly replaced by strength, confidence, and a feeling that you are on the road to full and complete health and strength. Get rid of your nervousness in the only possible way—by building up strong, steady nerves.

Miss Ina Doucet, Bathurst, N. B., says:—"Words fail me to adequately express what I owe to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was attacked with a gripe, the after-effects of which took the form of nervous exhaustion. The least noise would startle me and I would tremble for some time. I used several medicines but they did not help me, and as time went on I was growing worse and was so nervous that I was afraid to remain alone in a room. I slept badly at night and would frequently awake with a start that would compel me to scream. The trouble told on me to such an extent that my friends feared for my recovery. At this time an aunt urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and after using eight boxes I was completely restored to health, and I feel that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved my life. I sincerely hope my experience will benefit some other sufferer."

Always look at the box when you ask for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. If the full name is not on the box, you are not getting what you ask for. Refuse all so-called "just-as-good-as," and if you have any trouble getting the pills, they will be sent you by mail post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

FLOODS AT ST. VINCENT.

Houses Washed Away and Two Lives Were Lost. Kingston, Island of St. Vincent, Monday, May 26.—On Saturday the dense clouds forming a canopy over the greater part of the island lowered a severe thunderstorm, accompanied by a heavy rainfall broke over St. Vincent and continued until to-day, causing the mud streams of the Windward district of Georgetown to be flooded. The water pipes were damaged, several houses were washed away, and two lives were lost. The rainfall was so heavy that it disturbed the bodies of buried victims of a volcanic disaster and corpses with putrid flesh hanging to the bones were exposed to view.

During the rainstorm the Soufriere volcano appeared to glow forth dense clouds of vapor and steam, rising to a considerable height and spreading over the neighborhood. Roaring sounds from the mountain and the central figure of the eruption of another eruption. Severe lightning lasted all night Saturday and on Sunday. Eight inches of rain fell at Kingstown between Saturday and Monday, the heaviest downpour since the hurricane.

Further interesting incidents which occurred during the recent eruption of the volcano are continually coming to light. While all the residents of the village of Morne Ronde were leaving that place by boat, a man who had declined to leave was seen running up and down the shore screaming for help, and saying that the ground was hot but that the water was boiling and that lava was coming down the mountain. It was impossible to rescue him, and the man died a horrible death.

REVOLT IN CHINA. Severe Fighting Reported in Which 1,500 Men Were Killed or Wounded.

London, May 27.—Cablegrams from Shanghai and the correspondent of the Daily Mail says the Southern rebellion is in full career, and that a severe battle has been fought at Chu Tshien, in which the rebels were defeated by the government forces with losses amounting to 1,500 men killed or wounded. The government troops nursed the rebels to their entrenched villages, and cut off their escape.

The rebel leader, Ching Tsin Pin, was killed. The rebels are increasing in strength, concludes the Daily Mail dispatch, and Boxers are gathering in large numbers in Shan Tung province.

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BURGHERS LEFT WOUNDED LEADER

Further Fighting in the Transvaal. Boers Repulsed by Mounted Troops—Commandant Malon Mortally Wounded.

Middleburg, Transvaal, May 28.—Major Collette, with a detachment of the mounted troops of this district, encountered a force of Boers on the Repond road on May 27th. The engagement, which followed lasted for a long time. The enemy finally drew off. However, leaving behind them on the field Commandant Malon, who was mortally wounded.

An armored train engaged the same party of Boers the evening of May 27th, and details of the latter engagement are at hand. More Ruined. London, May 28.—The Daily Chronicle this morning declares that the gonaïous, which will be practically quelled in the course of the present week, will witness the termination of the war in South Africa. The paper says it understands that the government has declined to grant the rebels unconditional amnesty or to fix a date for the establishment of self-government, and that English will probably be the official language of the two colonies.

Again this idea of a speedy announcement of peace is the decision reached in parliament yesterday to debate the Education bill next Monday and postpone further debate on the budget, which seems to show that affairs in South Africa may require a greater period of time for settlement.

It is now regarded as certain that the Chamberlain party will be victorious and that the government has decided to retain the tax on grain. Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, is again indisposed, and some people believe his indisposition to be diplomatic.

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THE WEST INDIES. Reports of Another Eruption of Mount Pelee.

Roseau, Island of Dominica, May 28.—The British steamer Savan, from London, via Barbados and West Indian ports, has arrived here. She passed Mount Pelee, Island of Martinique, at 8 o'clock this morning, when a thick black smoke was arising from the volcano. The officers of the Savan believed, from the quantity of dust which fell on the steamer, that another eruption had occurred. It is believed that the eruption was of a moderate nature.

St. John's, Island of Antigua, B.W.I., May 28.—The British steamer Fontabelle, from New York for various West Indian ports, has arrived here. She passed Mount Pelee, Island of Martinique, at 8 o'clock this morning, when a thick black smoke was arising from the volcano. The officers of the Savan believed, from the quantity of dust which fell on the steamer, that another eruption had occurred. It is believed that the eruption was of a moderate nature.

Port De France, Island of Martinique, (5 p.m.) May 28.—A tremendous explosion of very black smoke from Mount Pelee at a quarter before 9 o'clock this morning accentuated the fear entertained for the safety of George Kennan, the author, who with a land party has been explaining the northern part of the island, and the governor of Martinique was at once seen in the matter of arranging for a rescue party to proceed by land in connection with the voyage along the coast of the island on the United States cruiser Cincinnati should such steps appear necessary. At about 10 o'clock this morning, Fernand Clerc, a wealthy landed proprietor of Martinique, arrived here and announced that Mr. Kennan and his party were safe on the north end of the island.

HAD INFERNAL MACHINE. Young Woman Arrested at the Car's Summer Residence.

London, May 28.—A dispatch to the Central News agency from St. Petersburg, dated Tuesday, May 27th, says that secret service officers arrested a young woman at Tsarsko-Selo, the summer residence of the Czar, carrying an infernal machine concealed in a handkerchief. The identity of the woman has not yet been established.

CHOLERA AT MANILA. Capt. Russell, Eighth United States Infantry, Is Dead.

Manila, May 27.—Capt. Charles E. Russell, of the 8th Infantry, is dead. He was the first officer to die of cholera. Up to the present time in Manila there have been 25 cases of cholera among the Americans and 20 deaths, and there have been 15 cases and 10 deaths among the European population of this city.

WILL BE EXECUTED. The case of Joseph Dagnette, Kamloops, B. C., sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Leeger, was before the cabinet yesterday. It was decided whether the policy of hanging would have an opportunity of addressing the people of Saanichton.

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HAVING A PLEASANT TIME.

The members of the Legislative Assembly appear to have taken up their permanent abode with us. Victorians are very much pleased to have them, and these is no reason to doubt they enjoy their residence here very much indeed.

THE GAME LAWS.

The confiscation of nearly thirty brace of grouse and the conviction and punishment of the men found in possession of them a few days ago should attract attention to the necessity for an amendment to the game laws of the province.

The denser the population becomes the more stringent the laws must be made. Stores and cold storage warehouses must be open to inspection.

PETTY AND MEAN.

The buoyant revenues of the Dominion seem to constitute a grievance to the minds of the government party in the British Columbia legislature.

THE FISHERIES CONFERENCE.

The conference held at Ottawa between the Dominion Ministers and the representatives of the governments of all the provinces except British Columbia to discuss the question of the ownership and the regulation of the fisheries left the water in much the same position as it found it.

fisheries to be continued within provincial jurisdiction. But the waters of the Eastern provinces are not fruitful in salmon and there is no prospect of their producing a fair revenue for the government.

POLITICIANS RAGE.

The discussions in the House are becoming somewhat warm, to keep in harmony with the condition of the atmosphere, probably. If the temperature continues to rise there may be an explosion which will take the roof off our beautiful Parliament buildings.

is having a very prejudicial effect upon the industrial progress of the province, although we believe the opposition has done no more than its duty in opposing with all its might the various deals which have been revealed.

THE SOCIETY FOR VOTERS' EDUCATION

LEAGUE HAS BEEN FORMALLY ORGANIZED

Will Endeavour to Secure the Combined Action of Electorate on Matters Affecting General Welfare.

The Voters' League held an important meeting in the Pioneer hall last evening. C. E. Redfern presided, and there was a good attendance.

The consideration of the various clauses of the constitution was resumed, through the use of Peruna especially the full text was decided upon as follows:

1. That the organization shall be called the Voters' League.

2. That the object of the league shall be to bring all voters of the province into closer touch and sympathy, to obtain the fullest and most reliable information upon all matters of vital importance, either municipal or provincial or federal, by means of investigating committees arranged for as hereinafter described.

3. That the reports of the committees may be impartially discussed at general meetings of the league, and that the results of the discussions be collected and distributed as hereinafter described.

4. That the league shall consist of branches throughout the province, each having its own local committee of members as hereinafter described.

5. That there shall be a general secretary at a convenient place in the province for receiving and distributing the results of meetings; he shall be elected annually and receive remuneration from all the branches.

6. That the branch secretary shall be elected by nomination and ballot at a regular meeting; he shall serve for three months without remuneration.

7. A chairman shall be elected at each meeting, and it shall be the bounden duty of the chairman to preside at the meeting and to carry out the discussions according to the conditions set forth in this constitution.

8. The committees shall be arranged for as follows: Each voter shall be registered in his district by number, all the numbers shall be placed in a ballot box, from which, by means of a random number as required, the committee work shall be drawn.

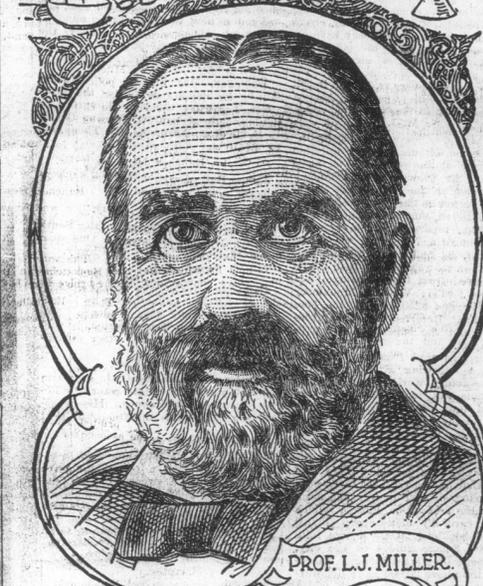
9. That in municipal matters the work of the league shall be kept within the limits of the municipalities concerned.

10. That in matters of vital interest to the province at large, on notice being given for a general investigation and discussion the general secretary to call for a general meeting at each voting district in the province. The committee list elected in each branch shall be required to make a full investigation and obtain all available information on the matter at issue, make a digest of the same and report at their respective meetings. These reports shall be fairly and impartially discussed strictly on their merits, affecting the general interest. It being distinctly understood that no personalities of party political references shall be allowed in the discussions. The results of these several meetings shall be recorded in each district and forwarded to the general secretary, and the aggregate results distributed to all the districts.

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Reveals That "Pe-ru-na is Calculated to Tone up the System, Restore the Functions and Procure Health."

SO SAYS PROF. L. J. MILLER, CHEMIST.



Prof. L. J. Miller, late Professor of Chemistry and Botany of the High School of Ypsilanti, Mich., writes from 337 N. Clark Street, Chicago, Ill., as follows:

"As several of my friends have spoken to me of the favorable results obtained through the use of Peruna especially in cases of catarrh, I examined it most thoroughly to learn its contents."

"I found it composed of extracts of herbs and barks of most valuable medicinal qualities combined with other ingredients, delicately balanced, calculated to tone up the system, restore the functions and procure health."

"I consider Peruna one of the most skillfully and scientifically prepared medicines, which the public can use with safety and success."—Prof. L. J. Miller.

acted upon at the time set by the general secretary for a general discussion, two-thirds of those present at a branch meeting having the power to bring forward such amendments, and two-thirds of the branches shall carry such amendments.

11. Each branch shall frame its own by-laws for the conduct of its own business in conformity with the constitution.

12. An executive committee was appointed for the second time in four years under the management of C. L. Selz, and it has now quite an imposing appearance, being thoroughly fitted up in departmental style.

13. Mining is rather dull just at present in this district. The Golden Eagle Company intends to largely increase the number of men working there as soon as a surveyor has been over the property.

14. The Alberni Cricket Club are jealously practicing on the club grounds preparatory to their tour.

15. Empire Day was spent very quietly here, the main attractions being picnics, cricket and an excursion of the Willis down the canal.

"Battle up the System." Hon. Joseph H. Ridgeway, Secretary of the American Anti-Treat Society, writes the following letter from the Grand Central Hotel, St. Paul, Minn.:

"It is with great pleasure that I can do so as an honest medicine, competent to do all it claims. I have used it several times and know of nothing that cures so completely, and at the same time builds up the system."

"I have recommended it to a number of my friends and always feel that I do them a service for I know how satisfactory the results invariably are. I only wish every family had a bottle—it would save much sickness and doctor bills."—Joseph H. Ridgeway.

"Feel Better Than for Five Years." Mr. James B. Taylor, Roberts, Ind., writes:

"I am at the present time entirely well. I can eat anything I ever could. I took five bottles of Peruna, and feel better now than I have for five years. I have doctored with other doctors off and on for fifteen years, so I can recommend your medicine very highly for stomach troubles. I take great pleasure in thanking you for your free advice and Peruna."—James B. Taylor.

"I Enjoy My Meals as I Used to." Mr. J. W. Pritchard, Wolf Lake, Ind., writes:

"I am pleased to say that I have been cured of catarrh of the stomach by Peruna. I could hardly eat anything that agreed with me. Before I would get half through my meal my stomach would fill with gas causing me much distress and unpleasant feelings for an hour or two after each meal. But, thanks to your Peruna, I am now completely cured and can eat anything I want to without any of the distressing symptoms. I can now enjoy my meals as I used to, and it is all due to Dr. Hartman and his wonderful medicine, Peruna."

"It has been one year since I was cured, and I am all O. K. yet, so I know I am cured."—J. W. Pritchard.

Dyspepsia is a very common phase of summer catarrh. A remedy that will cure catarrh of one location will cure it anywhere. Peruna cures catarrh wherever located. That it is a prompt and permanent cure for catarrh of the stomach the above letters testify.

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BEACON BROKE LOOSE. The One at Shoal Point Carried Away by Scow Last Night.

While attempting to run into Shoal Bay for shelter last night the tug Vancouver, Capt. Smith, carried away the Shoal Point beacon. The steamer had a scow load of lumber in tow, which in the high wind and the strong tide running temporarily became unmanageable.

Regarding the removal of the beacon Capt. Gaudin, the local agent of marine and fisheries, issued the following notice to mariners this morning:

Pending the erection of Shoal Point beacon, which has been destroyed by some passing steamer, the red beacon light at the entrance to Victoria harbor will not be exhibited.

LUMBER CARRIERS. Hastings Mill Company Will Build Six Schooners.

Vancouver, May 28.—The Hastings Mill Company is arranging to build a fleet of six one thousand ton four-masted schooners for carrying lumber. The vessels will probably be built at Moodyville. The models are now being made.

Former Chief Provincial Constable R. B. Lister died today at New Westminster after six weeks' illness.

Steamer Ganges leaves tomorrow for Tacoma, having taken aboard only one thousand tons of oats here, and she will take three thousand five hundred at Tacoma. The cause of the change is the delay in the inspection of oats at the Edmonton elevators.

W. J. Hagan and Owen Graham, of Dunsmuir, are in the city on business. They are staying at the Dominion hotel.

MEMORIAL SERVICE. Washington, May 27.—A special service was held at the British embassy today over the remains of Lord Pauncefote. It was very brief and only members of the late ambassador's family and the embassy staff were present. Bishop Satterlee and Conductor Bishop McKay-Smith officiated and read the prayer for persons under affliction and other appropriate passages provided in the Episcopal service.

Quebec, May 28.—Roth and Roy, the two young men last in company of young Lessard, found dead in Savard park after a drunken spree, have been arrested, as the result of the coroner's inquest, and are held responsible for his death.

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GOVERNMENT A DEFEAT

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NATIONAL FUNERAL HELD AT WASHINGTON

Every Department of Government Was Represented—All Ambassadors and Ministers Also Took Part.

(Associated Press.) Washington, May 28.—The remains of the late Lord Pauncefoot, British ambassador to Washington, to-day were accorded a national funeral as a token of high esteem by the American people...

Every department of the national government was represented, and the numerous diplomatic bodies, of which for so many years the late Lord Pauncefoot was dean, were present in the persons of the ambassadors, ministers and charges.

When this solemn ceremony was over, the choir sang "I heard a Voice from Heaven and afterward the hymn 'Now the Labourer's Task is O'er'."

Soon after 10 o'clock this morning the sound of marching feet and the slow notes of the funeral music gave notice of the approach of the funeral escort.

With little delay the casket was lifted upon the shoulders of four brawny sailors and as many soldiers and borne to the hearse, where it was deposited.

When the head of the procession arrived at the church, the casket was placed in the hearse, and the members of the British embassy, took their places in the line of carriages.

The body of the church was completely filled by the funeral procession. The dominant idea in seating the spectators was to concentrate official classes in the centre of the church.

President Roosevelt had the plate of honor at the right of the central pew. With him sat Mr. Baileys, the chief clerk, and for this special occasion the personal representative of King Edward VII.

On his left was Capt. Bell, representative of the Dominion of Canada, by special designation. To the right of the President sat the Hon. J. B. Payne, secretary of the State, and in line with it were Lady Pauncefoot and her three daughters.

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the door of the church to meet the remains. The casket was borne up the entrance steps, and then turning about the bishops proceeded to the door of the church to meet the remains.

At the foot of the chancel steps the casket was lowered to the waiting stand, and then the first in rank was seated by Lady Pauncefoot, "The Saints of God Their Conflict Past," the music by Sir John Stainer, the famous English composer, was sung by the choir.

When this quaint old English chant had ended, the officiating bishop advanced and read the lesson for the burial of the dead, taken from the 15th chapter of the first Epistle of St. John to the Corinthians, beginning "Now is Christ risen from the dead," and ending with the words "For as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

When the lesson was finished the choir sang the hymn, "On the Resurrection Morn, Soul and Body Meet Again," and then chanted the Apostles' creed to music by Sir John Stainer.

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Men while the body bearers had lifted the casket again and carried it slowly out of the door to the right, followed by the two bishops. As it was being placed in the hearse, the organ and harp again sounded through the church, this time in the grand solemn measures of the "Dead March From Saul."

At the sound of a bugle the head of the funeral escort swung up the street leading the march to Rock Creek cemetery.

At the express wish of the family the escort from the church to the cemetery was limited to a single squadron of United States cavalry, which passed at first slowly and then more rapidly between the lines of troops at present arms.

Not even the honorary pallbearers were permitted to accompany the casket further than the church, for it was held that here the religious services had terminated.

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COUNCIL CONSIDER RAILWAY BY-LAW

BUT DECIDE NOT TO TOUCH THE MATTER

Streets Which Will Be Sprinkled During the Dry Weather—Complaints of Shortage of Water.

There is much business before the city council this week, and when the board adjourned last night it was with the understanding that another meeting be held on Wednesday evening next.

During the regular course of business H. Dallas Helmsken, M.P.P., enclosed several copies of the amendments to the bill 57, now before the House, and asked for the council's opinion on the same.

The writer suggested an interview with the city members, and the suggestion was approved. A conference will be arranged.

Hon. Archer Martin again complained of the insufficiency of water on the higher levels, which since the fine weather set in has been altogether inadequate.

Ald. Barnard knew that the complaint was well grounded, and he moved that the water commissioner be instructed to operate on Yates street pump for the next few days.

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Ald. Barnard—I might say that during the hot season last year we had to look for water in tubs in our house in order to wash the dishes.

Ald. Vincent seconded the motion, and Ald. Yates moved in amendment that the matter be referred to a single committee, composed of any composition of the matter.

Ald. Williams said the council was compelled to furnish the residents of the higher levels with water, and he would therefore support the motion.

Ald. Kinsman thought it was a pity that the new pump was not equal to the demands on it.

The subject was finally referred to the water commissioner for a report at the meeting on Wednesday.

Hon. Archer Martin wrote again requesting the changing of the names of St. Charles and St. George streets. Laid on the table.

W. H. Ellison wrote asking if the council would vote sufficient money for the replacing of a sidewalk on Catherine street, Victoria West. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

J. G. Elliott, secretary of the board of fire underwriters, advised the council of an exceptional amount of gasoline stored on the premises of the Hudson Bay Co. Referred to the chairman of the fire committee.

C. H. Topp, city engineer, reported regarding the communication from the sanitary officer re drainage nuisance on Beattie Hill, that the city had been granted an improvement costing \$112.50.

He made an inspection of the drains on Dallas road and found them in a very bad condition. A good deal of money had been spent on the drains, but without effecting any permanent benefit.

He therefore recommended the laying of a drain along the road westerly to San Juan avenue. This could be done for a cost of \$1,405. A list of the streets which he proposed should be sprinkled during the summer he submitted as follows:

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The council, however, sees no objection to the repeal of section 25 of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Act, 1901.

The motion was voted down, those supporting it being Ald. Barnard, Yates and Barnard. The motion to lay it on the table was then submitted and was carried.

The Mayor then drew attention to the letter from Secretary Boggs, of the Agricultural Association, asking the city to take over the financial responsibility of the exhibition this year.

Ald. Barnard moved that the suggestion cannot be adopted, but that the council would be willing to vote \$2,000 towards the show.

Ald. Cameron said although heartily in sympathy with the motion he could not support it. Last year's experience demonstrated that the appropriation given to about \$4,000. Already it would be necessary to raise about \$20,000 extra for running expenses, and this incurred extra taxation.

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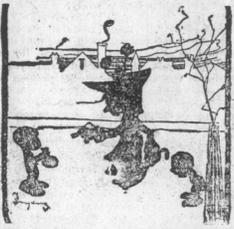
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