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## BANK EXPLOSION WAS NOT IN MINES

### THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED AT RAILWAY TUNNEL

#### Allan Liner Corinthian Went Ashore at Montral—Crop Outlook in Northwest.

Bankhead, N. W. T., July 27.—There seems to be some misunderstanding as to the nature and place of accident which occurred near the Bankhead mines on Monday last. The facts are these: There is a tunnel running from the railroad to the mines, and four men were engaged in blasting a rock cut near this tunnel. Owing to a premature discharge of dynamite three of the four men were instantly killed. It will thus be seen that the accident did not occur in the mines at all, but some distance from them. Not a cent's worth of damage was done to the property and none of the other miners were hurt or are in any danger whatever. This official statement is sent to correct a misunderstanding of the affair, as relatives of the men who were killed here seem to be anxious regarding their safety.

Allan Liner Grounded.  
Montreal, July 27.—The Allan liner Corinthian, bound for Glasgow with mixed cargo, about seven hundred cattle and a few passengers, grounded in the harbor this morning while making her way down river. The breaking of a tow line caused the accident. It is hoped that when the cattle are unloaded the vessel will be lightened sufficiently to move off. The vessel is not supposed to have suffered damage.

Splendid Crops.  
Winnipeg, July 27.—The C. P. R. crop report for the week ending July 26th was received today and continues most favorable. The old season of country between Winnipeg and Port Arthur will have a splendid crop. At Red River, the crop is reported about one week later than last year. At Sidney, between Portage and Brandon, the crop is as far advanced as at this time last year and farther east, at Wapella, the reports state that the harvest will begin a week or ten days earlier. In the Carleton district cutting will begin next week, while at McDonald August 15th is mentioned as the date on which cutting will probably begin. Saskatchewan will have a million bushels of No. 1 hard if the weather continues fine, and Hague, on the Prince Albert branch, reports that crops will be two weeks earlier than last year. Haying operations are in full progress at the present time, and the wild hay will yield abundantly. The root crop is also reported as most favorable throughout the West.

Double Tracking Line.  
Winnipeg, July 27.—Vice-President Whyte of the C. P. R., returned from the East last evening, accompanied by Sir Daniel and Lady McMillan. Mr. Whyte intimated that double tracking between Winnipeg and Port William would be begun as soon as contractors could get their outfits on the ground, and would be rushed to completion.

tion. He also added that tenders will be called for the construction of a line from Moosejaw to the elbow of the Saskatchewan. Mr. Whyte also confirmed the rumor that Divisional Engineer J. C. Sullivan had resigned, and that his department would probably be abolished.

Deadly Hit.  
Sandwich, Ont., July 27.—That Fred Montgomery came to his death by a wound inflicted by a hat pin in the hands of his wife Josephine and that she acted in self-defence is the verdict brought in last night by the coroner's jury, in the case of the man who died in a Detroit hospital two weeks after being stabbed with a hat pin, and under an assumed name. Before death Montgomery told his mother that it was purely accidental.

BOYCOTT CONTINUES.  
Chinese It Is Believed Would Withdraw If It Could Be Done Gracefully.

Shanghai, July 28.—The boycott of American goods as the result of the demand in China for the repeal of the Chinese exclusion act is continuing and causing bitterness on both sides. But the Chinese would probably welcome any reassuring indication from the United States enabling them to withdraw gracefully from the position they have assumed.

## CHINA WILL ASK LARGE INDEMNITY

### SEEKS DAMAGES FROM RUSSIA AND JAPAN

#### Warring Nations Held Responsible for Destruction of Property in the Province of Manchuria.

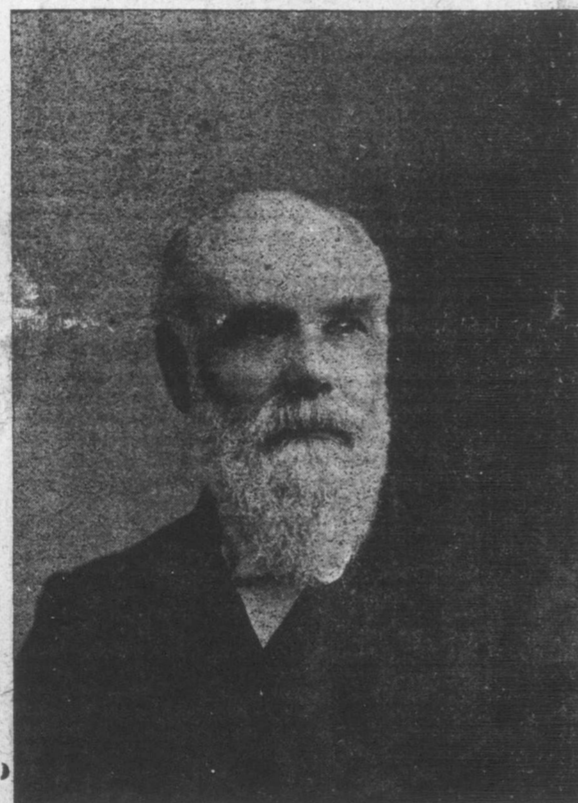
New York, July 28.—The Washington correspondent of the Tribune says: Coincident with China's notice to the powers that Manchuria must be restored to her intact whatever may be the terms of agreement reached at the Portsmouth peace conference by the envoys of Russia and Japan, it is learned that the Chinese government intends to follow this up by demanding of the belligerents a big indemnity as compensation for the occupation of Manchuria by hostile troops. The amount of the indemnity to be asked will be at least \$100,000,000.

This amount of damages the Chinese government estimates has been done to Manchuria, a Chinese province, through the tramping down of the fields and destruction of villages that were seized and held as bases for operations; and the loss to China by the failure of the belligerents to vacate Manchuria promptly. It is not believed that the Chinese themselves seriously expect reimbursement for the injury sustained, but the motive in taking such a step on the part of China is further to define her position in regard to Manchuria to the world at large. China is particularly anxious that the idea of her complete ownership of Manchuria should be emphasized in connection with the peace conference at Portsmouth, because she desires international support in the negotiations which she will conduct with Japan after peace is assured.

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Minister of Inland Revenue.

## CHINA CANNOT ASK FOR AN INDEMNITY

### Aimer Sato Holds Opinion That Japan Was Forced to Drive Russia Out of Manchuria.

New York, July 28.—Aimer Sato, speaking for the Japanese peace mission, questioned today as to the attitude of the Japanese on the question of an armistice, replied: "Japan is perfectly willing to agree to an armistice after the credentials of both commissions have been examined and verified.

"The examination of credentials must necessarily be the first duty of the peace delegates, to ascertain that all are qualified to act. In the negotiations for peace that ended the Chinese war, I remember there was much delay because the credentials of one of the Chinese plenipotentiaries did not bear the Emperor's seal granting him plenary powers.

An Armistice.  
"However, I think an armistice will be agreed upon after the commissioners enter formally upon their work. It has been the custom in all peace negotiations to cease hostilities during the convention of peace plenipotentiaries."  
Mr. Sato, asked as to the definite powers of the Japanese mission, said: "They have power to reject any proposal, and commit the Japanese government to any document they may sign, subject, of course, to the sanction of the Emperor."

No Indemnity For China.  
Regarding the reports that China intended asking an indemnity, Mr. Sato said: "China could not ask any indemnity of Japan. It was her inability or unwillingness to keep Russia out of Manchuria that forced us into the war."  
Throughout the day Baron Komura has applied himself closely to his official duties. Many dispatches are trans-

mitted to and from Tokio, and all the secretaries with the suite are taxed with an enormous amount of work.  
Tonight Baron Komura and his suite dined with the trustees of the Japanese club.  
Mr. Sato today commented on the reception to Secretary of War Taft in Tokio, and said he had read the reports with deep interest. The fact that the historic chrysanthemum gardens had been thrown open to the secretary, Mr. Sato said, was indicative of the feeling towards Americans in Japan.  
"These gardens are almost sacred in our country," said Mr. Sato, "and this is the first time they have been opened to a foreign citizen. It is a marked distinction and honor for our own people but twice a year."

UNEASY FEELING.  
Renewed Tension in Connection With Moroccan Dispute.

STEAMER TOOK FIRE.  
White Star Liner Tentative Slightly Damaged While at the Wharf.

New York, July 28.—Fire which threatened destruction to the steamship Tonic of the White Star line, lying at her pier in the North river, at the foot of Eleventh street, broke out early to-night, and before it was extinguished did damage amounting to more than \$5,000. It was undecided to-night whether it was possible for the steamer to sail from this port on Wednesday. In the electrical room, where the fire started, nearly all of the machinery was damaged, and the entire electrical workings of the steamer were interrupted. Water poured into the room and ran down into the engine, and it is thought that they are also damaged.  
During the fire three members of the crew found themselves hemmed in by the flames and were carried to the pier in an unconscious condition.  
The fireboat McLellan and the fire engines threw water on the flames for over an hour.  
Electrician Robert Dempsey, who was working about the room, left for a few minutes, and before his return the room was ablaze. He immediately ordered the crew to stand pipes, and a fire alarm was sent out. The firemen put their lines

of hose through the porthole, and several streams were put on the blaze, which was hard to reach. John Burns, the steward, who was in the room next to where the fire was, found it impossible to get out. His cries were heard by Acting Battalion Chief Murray, who ran across the blazing room and carried the man, who was unconscious, to the dock. The heat drove the firemen back several times. The room adjoined the engine room, where two stokers, James Ryer and John O'Connor, were at work. They were rendered unconscious and were rescued by the firemen.

Paris, July 28.—France's relations with Germany are again showing signs of strain, owing to the inability of Premier Rouvier and Ambassador Von Radolin to conclude a definite programme for the Moroccan conference. The agreement of July 8th contemplated a joint programme, but the arrangement of this programme is causing renewed difficulty, particularly in connection with France's right to police the territory adjoining Algeria and supervise the maintenance of order throughout the empire. It is the French view that these rights follow from the agreement of July 8th, whereas Germany does not wish to define the extent of French policy and financial reforms. The indecisive status of the negotiations has caused renewed apprehension on the part of the press, and the newspapers have renewed their sharp criticism of Germany's course.

FAVOR SEPARATION.  
Norwegian Representatives Unanimously Accept the Proposal.

Christiana, Norway, July 28.—The special committee of the storting, to which was referred the government's proposal for a referendum on the dissolution of the union with Sweden, has unanimously decided to recommend the acceptance of the proposal.

## FINANCIALLY STRONG. Japan Is Able to Continue the War, Giving Ample Security for Loans.

London, July 28.—The Statist today publishes an interview with Koretiko Takahashi, the special financial commissioner of Japan, who expresses himself as hopeful that peace will result from the coming negotiations. He bases this hope on the personal conviction that Japan's demands will be reasonable, and that the true interests of Russia require that she make peace. The appointment of M. White, he adds, strengthens this hope. Should hostilities continue, Mr. Takahashi says, Japan can prosecute them successfully, as she has on hand, from two recent loans, the means to carry on the conflict for a considerable time, and if the war should continue, there is no question that she can borrow further. When it was first concluded to borrow, Japan decided that it would be best for her own interests, and fastest to those making the loans, to give special security, said Mr. Takahashi, and she can continue to do that, pledging railways and public works. Japan's profits from railways are more than a million sterling annually; her profits from the tobacco monopoly are more than three million; from the gambler monopoly, over one hundred thousand, making in all security to a large sum. Besides, the income taxes allow of large increases.

## FURTHER DETAILS OF FERNIE FIRE

### ESTIMATED LOSSES TO BUSINESS HOUSES

#### Sheppard & Elliott Hardware Stock Suffered Heavy Damages—Small Insurance Was Carried.

Fernie, July 28.—The fire which broke out yesterday morning at 12:30 in George Farruther's tailor shop and quickly spread to adjoining buildings resulted in the following losses: Fernie Free Press plant, \$8,000; G. G. Henderson, books, loss \$6,000; Sheppard & Elliott, hardware stock, loss \$20,000; Northern hotel, loss \$12,000; Fernie Cigar Factory, loss \$10,000; Cuthbert, estimated loss, \$33,000; G. O. Demaree, Jeweller, G. W. Laidley, tailor; Kenny and McLeod, tailors; Master's barber shop and the G. N. railway city ticket office were all burned with more or less loss.  
Sheppard & Elliott, the largest firm concerned, carried \$9,000 insurance. There was \$30,000 insurance in all. By hard fighting the loss was confined to one side of Victoria avenue between Hanson and Cox streets.

### DIED AT PORT SIMPSON. James Hunter, of Victoria, Passes Away—Japanese Ship Leaving for Ketchikan.

Port Simpson, July 28.—At 4 o'clock this morning James Hunter, of Victoria, well known on the coast, died in the hospital here of hemorrhage of the lungs. The date of the funeral has not been fixed, as Dr. Keringan is trying to locate friends of the deceased in order to ascertain what is to be done with the remains.  
The Japanese vessel, Higanashi Maru has cleared for Ketchikan, and will cross the straits as soon as the wind is favorable. Capt. Yoshida, who has not visited British Columbia before, intends taking a short run to Vancouver while the ship is loading at Ketchikan. He may go as far as the Portland fair.

Constantinople, July 28.—In reply to a Mussulman address of loyalty and gratification at his escape from assassination by the explosion of a bomb on Friday the Sultan says that the protection of divine Providence on that occasion was God's reward to him for his constant endeavors to promote the peace and happiness of his people. The only feature of the incident which deeply affected him was the fact that so many of his dear, devoted soldiers and well-beloved people were killed or injured.

### STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. Nanaimo, July 28.—During a thunderstorm last night at Ladysmith, lightning ran down the chimney of Thomas Gordon's house, setting fire to several articles, and then skipped to a wire clothes line and passing along it struck the chicken house, killing the fowls.

## EXTRADITION CASE WILL STAND OVER

### GAYNOR AND GREENE MUST WAIT A MONTH

#### The Allan Liner Has Been Floated— Other Canadian News From Various Points.

Montreal, July 28.—On the application of counsel for Gaynor and Greene, to-day Judge Ouimet postponed the hearing in the habeas corpus case until September 5th. Counsel for the United States opposed the request, but it was argued that no inconvenience would be caused by the delay, as the Georgia courts do not sit until October. Judge Ouimet stated that he was on the point of leaving on a three weeks' holiday, and granted the postponement asked for.

### Steamer Floated. Montreal, July 28.—The Allan liner Corinthian, which grounded as she was leaving the harbor yesterday, was floated last night. The vessel sustained no damage, and will probably sail for Glasgow to-night.

### Must Observe Law. Chatham, Ont., July 28.—Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Whittley "whitecaps" who assaulted Danlidge, the alleged wife-beater. The crown authorities say the law of the country must be observed.

### A Donation. Toronto, July 28.—W. F. MacLean, M. P. for South York, has donated the thousand dollars extra indemnity received from the House of Commons this year to the sick children's hospital in this city.

### Fair Closed. Winnipeg, July 28.—The closing day of the Winnipeg fair attracted several thousand children, the day being specially arranged for them. The total attendance will be 125,000, which is only 25,000 short of the two weeks' Dominion fair.

### Stable Burned. Winnipeg, July 28.—George Cadham, of High Bluff, Man., lost a large stable, containing four horses and hay racks, by fire Wednesday night.

### Favored Party Lines. Medicine Hat, July 28.—The Liberal Association, in conversation here to-day, passed a resolution favoring party government in the new provinces.

### DIVINE INTERPOSITION. The Sultan Regards His Escape as a Reward For Good Works.

## A MATTER OF HEALTH



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tourists for the North. The group entered from the west for here were Turner, who have been located timber land on the Skeena. Mr. and Mrs. Knox and sister, Miss Knox and her mother, and patients from the hospital. Mr. C. M. Richardson, who were visiting to the Skeena. Mr. Richardson is superintendent of the line, who came out of trail and down the Skeena. The inspection of the line. Mr. Richardson is in the Lorne creek has been in the interior two months or so, and is not known on the

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## INDUSTRY IN THE ISLAND

### POSITS WILL BE UTILIZED

#### Manufacture of Ink and Be Built at Port Renfrew.

Previously been made in the Times of the rich, recently been discovered at Vancouver, consisting of San Juan, consisting of soap or rotten stone. This was discovered by J. J. Baird, who is allowing it to the industrial use of commercial value to this city.

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## OPENED EYES OF THE CANADIANS

### BRITISH FACTORIES ARE WELL EQUIPPED

#### Representatives of Manufacturers' Association Given a Great Reception in Old Country.

Writing to the Montreal Star from London, England, a correspondent says: "I had a chat this week with a member of the executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association now visiting England, and it would be difficult to exaggerate the sense of appreciation which the deputation feel of all the kindness and hospitality they have received. 'We knew we should be well treated,' said this leading Montreal manufacturer, 'but not one of us dreamt that the English people would put us through in such royal style. We have been killed with kindness, and, of course, it has been a pretty big education for many of us. We come from Canadian centres, most of which have, so to speak, only begun their industrial career. Many of us have read ever since we were children about the overwhelming industrial success of the United States at the expense of poor old England. It was pretty much a case of America first, England nowhere. I can tell you that, after going through some of the leading manufacturing factories in the Midlands and Yorkshire, we are quite prepared to put a heavy discount on this Yankee bragging. I never saw such well equipped machinery as we went through, and I know that other members of the deputation who have travelled enough to be in a position to judge, were similarly impressed. The equipment of manufacture with which many of the English industries have now been carried. When any man talks to us now about poor old England as a back number in the manufacturing world, we tell him he is simply doing us wrong. He is talking about. Let him go through some of the Yorkshire mills (and many of them are still going strong) and he will realize that, far from being done up, as they are often told in the Times, in tripoli has proved emulsifier, and after a year's use in the laboratory for different preparations have perfection.

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## NEWS OF COWICHAN.

### New Hotel at the Wharf is Now Almost Completed—Improvements in the Vicinity.

A correspondent at Cowichan station sends the following items: The new hotel at Cowichan wharf is now in the hands of the painters, and is expected to be ready for the reception of guests in about three weeks.

G. C. Fisher has nearly completed a cottage for Miss Morley also a small summer house for Fred Maitland-Douglass.

Several parties are camped on the shore of the bay, taking advantage of the fine fishing and boating afforded.

S. M. Dighton, of Deepdene, gave a garden party on Thursday afternoon for the entertainment of his numerous friends. An open air play was acted. The surroundings being suitable, it was quite a success.

A gentleman and two young ladies who were rowing in the bay here lately were somewhat surprised when a six-poung trout leaped from the water and landed in the boat.

The hay crop, which has been a fairly good one, has been secured in good condition, and the farmers are now turning attention to the repairing of the roads.

Several automobiles have been seen passing lately, and those who have spirited horses are wondering how they will pass them on our narrow roads.

### FRIDAY'S REPORTS FROM SALMON TRAPS

#### Rough Water Still Prevents Many From Being Employed—The Big Run Continues.

(From Friday's Daily.) Again to-day the water is rough in the Straits. This makes the third day of the kind, and as a result the salmon traps are still full of fish, an opportunity to empty many of them not having presented itself.

A few of the traps, however, were relieved of the thousands captured. Forty thousand were taken from two of the traps, and some were taken into Esquimalt and 15,000 to the Fraser river. And from the Capital City Cannery & Packing Company 18,000 were shipped from the Fraser's beach trap. This is all the steam-carrying they could load.

Findlay, Durham & Brodie would have made a shipment this morning if they could have secured a steamer, but they were unable to do so because of a couple of accidents with which their steamers met. One of the boats, the Kildonan got into some small trouble on the Fraser yesterday, and the other, the Kildonan, was on the way to the north end of Vancouver Island.

The special committee reported further progress in the double duty work between Victoria and Seattle. The port was referred back to the board for full power to act.

The standing committee on railway freight was requested to report to the council on the representation of the railway companies to the railway commission, which will visit the coast next month.

It was decided that the board should advertise as effectively as possible that vessels awaiting orders can anchor in the Outer Harbour, and that the Royal Roads with absolute safety.

It was decided to have printed a leaflet to be distributed to the council early this month in regard to the proposals of that company for the development of Vancouver Island.

The Seattle Times reports that next Sunday the fishery will be closed for three days' operation with all the fish necessary to operate to full capacity, and that is the statement of the run ended. While the nature of the run is not the same as in former seasons, cannery operators have regained considerable of the confidence lost during the period of waiting.

Party Comprising Most Beautiful Ladies—That State Visiting Victoria—Left to Night.

On Friday the Times reportorial rooms were visited by a party of ten young ladies, accompanied by their respective chaperones. They were accompanied by a chaplain and a number of gentlemen.

them safely started on their excursion. He placed the party in the hands of two of his ablest lieutenants, H. F. Collins, manager of the News, who is accompanied by Mrs. Collins, and Byron Cooney, city editor of that paper and a writer of reputation for Eastern magazines. At Seattle the party was joined by Miss Churchill, Theo. Dunn and W. H. Treas.

According to Mr. Cooney, these ten of "Montana's fairest buds" have had a most enjoyable time since leaving their native state. Leaving Butte they travelled by their special car, the Wenatchee, to Seattle, making short stays at all points of interest en route, and from there went south to the exhibition. After taking in the exhibition they returned north, and leaving their car on the Sound, boarded the steamer Princess Victoria for this city. To-day they are enjoying their time sight-seeing and to-night will embark for Vancouver, where they will again connect with the coach Wenatchee. Among the interior points to be visited are Banff, Nelson and Spokane. From the latter city they will return home by way of other cities of interest.

### WATER IN HARBOR WILL BE DEEPENED

#### Mud Lark Remains Until Work is Finished—Meeting of Council of Board of Trade.

The first meeting of the new council of the Board of Trade was held Friday morning. As usual the secretary's file was very full. The business, however, was of great public interest generally, most of the matters referred from the old council or from the annual meeting. Routine business for the government of the new board was also conducted.

Mr. Justice Morrison and the following petit jurors: W. T. Ash (foreman), J. Hood, W. J. Roskamp, C. W. Hills, C. W. Thomson, W. J. Steenson, T. J. Bar-Mas, W. E. Ottaway, A. Hendry, W. H. Johnson, R. Proctor and G. McInnis.

A. L. Belyea, K.C., appeared for the crown and W. J. Taylor, K.C., and H. D. Twigg for the defendant. The case for the crown was completed before the court adjourned.

Mr. Belyea in his opening address to the jury briefly outlined the particulars of the charge against the prisoner at the bar, which are still fresh in the minds of the Times readers. He then called the witness, Dr. R. L. Fraser.

Dr. Fraser, upon being sworn, said he attended J. K. Mecreedy for a gunshot wound in the right forearm and arm. He first saw the wound on the morning of June 19th. The wound was not deep, involving the skin and muscles. There were some medium sized bird shot in the wound.

Chas. E. Watkins, architect, the next witness, identified a plan of the front portion of the Gibbons' residence on Head street, as produced, explaining the various details of it.

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### OF SERIOUS CHARGE MADE AGAINST HIM

#### Addresses by Counsel and Summing Up by the Judge—Prisoner Was Liberated.

(From Friday's Daily.)

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When the tourists left Butte Mr. Heize scored 77 runs yesterday for the loss of three wickets, while the home players were all out for a total of 217.

When Gibbons was seen on Government street witness did not invite him to enter the hack. Mrs. Gibbons held up a rug in front of her face. Witness knew that Gibbons objected to his visits to his house, and wrote to him telling him to cease them. Mrs. Gibbons also wrote to this effect.

Mr. Gibbons told him that Gibbons had promised to lead a different life, and therefore asked him to discontinue his visits. But Mr. Gibbons did not change his mind, and witness had the privilege of renewing his friendship with Mrs. Gibbons. He had spoken to Mrs. Gibbons about Mr. Gibbons' drinking habits.

Mr. Taylor: "Do you think that would be calculated to bring husband and wife together?"

Mr. Mecreedy: "I don't think that would have made any difference." Continuing, he said he thought she knew about it and before he appeared on the scene, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons were never separated. He renewed his friendship because Gibbons had not kept his promise. Mrs. Gibbons had told him Gibbons was continuing his old ways. He paid Mrs. Gibbons attention as he would a sister, of whom he was fond. He hid her face while driving along Government street when Gibbons was seen, to avoid unpleasantness between husband and wife. He did not think he was sulking a home. Gibbons and he were not friendly, and he would have asked the former to get into the hack. He knew his enjoyment of Mrs. Gibbons' society would break up the husband, who would refuse upon it as an excuse to continue his bad habits. He did not renew the friendship with Mrs. Gibbons until he found that Gibbons had failed to keep his promise.

Mr. Taylor: "What business was it of yours?"

Witness said he thought he was going to lose the friendship of Mrs. Gibbons, and he wanted to know why. He went to the Gibbons' home in Vancouver one afternoon to see Gibbons' brother-in-law, Gibbons came in and said he did not remember there any more. Witness did not come back for a considerable time. His action, he did not think would do Mrs. Gibbons any harm. He did not know who provided for Mrs. Gibbons and children. He doubted if Gibbons did all he should have done. He did not tell Mrs. Gibbons she was not so properly provided for or was not appreciated by her husband, and spoke of said something of that meaning. That, he admitted, was not calculated to bring husband and wife together. Witness did not take advantage of his superior physique to force himself into a man's home against his wish. He didn't think that was cowardly under the circumstances. He had only seen Gibbons once in his own house.

The drive with Mrs. Gibbons was direct from the King Edward hotel to Head street.

Gibbons was not strong enough to give witness a good hiding. The defendant first introduced witness to Mrs. Gibbons. Once Mrs. Gibbons said Mr. Gibbons objected to her dining with witness and she never returned. Mrs. Gibbons said she was only a joke. The letter witness received from Gibbons might have been registered. Witness replied that he had heard that Gibbons struck his wife. He believed it to be true. He deposed in the police court that any man who would strike a woman was a coward. Gibbons had given a woman. He did not know the cause of the trouble.

Mr. Taylor: "Would you be surprised if Mrs. Gibbons had done in three years were attributed to me."

Witness had litigation in Vancouver. He had two suits against the Quanns, and was beaten. He never heard the Chief Justice say he should have been indicted for perjury. He had never been indicted over a case in which he was interested.

Mr. Belyea objected on the ground that Mr. Taylor was making statements which he put in the mouth of the Chief Justice, and before the latter could answer they went down in the record.

His Lordship permitted Mr. Taylor to cross-examine to test the credibility of the witness.

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When the proceedings were resumed the accused was sworn. He gave much evidence as to the circumstances of the case. He told of following the hack on a bicycle, of inviting Mr. Mecreedy into the house on his arrival a few seconds later, of seeing Mecreedy enter the house, of excusing himself and went upstairs to get the gun. He returned holding it loosely in his hands, with the barrels directed towards the ceiling. Standing in the entrance to the parlor in this position he said: "Mecreedy, why have you broken up my home? Mecreedy at once turned around and jumped at him, and he had fired the first shot across him in order to prevent an assault. The second shot went off in the scuffle. He didn't remember pulling the trigger. He did not point the weapon at Mecreedy at any time.

Cross-examined by Mr. Belyea, witness said he had gone upstairs to get the gun. It was loaded, as he had placed cartridges in it two days before to shoot a crane. Questioned closely respecting the position of Mecreedy, Mrs. Gibbons and Mecreedy in the room at the time of the shooting, witness said that he had not seen his wife until after. The two shots had gone off close together, in fact he didn't remember seeing a second man. He had fired the first shot across Mecreedy's "bows" in order to prevent him from rushing. In his opinion the relation between Mecreedy and Mrs. Gibbons required more than ordinary means to break off. He had written a letter to Mecreedy regarding the matter in 1902. He thought it quite likely his wife had seen Mecreedy, and spoke of witness's objection to their continued intercourse at his request. The idea of getting the gun had occurred only when Mecreedy came into the house on the night of the shooting. From the position he was standing when the gun was fired he judged the shot would enter the wall between Mecreedy and Mrs. Gibbons, and the ceiling. This, concluded Mr. Belyea's cross-examination.

Opening his address for the defence, Mr. Taylor claimed that the case was unnecessarily complicated. He was believed there was nothing further to consider. And he pointed out, the stories of Mecreedy and Gibbons coincided in practically all the essential points. His versions of the shooting were not contradictory. Mecreedy said that he had his eye on the trigger so intently that he could not say whether the gun was levelled at him, and Gibbons said the gun was never pointed in his direction. If the weapon was not deliberately pointed at Mecreedy, and if the first shot had been fired at Mecreedy's "bows" to intimidate him, it was not shooting with intent, and that was the point the jury had to consider. As for the second shot, witness said that Gibbons had sworn that this discharge was quite accidental, and the circumstances corroborated his contention. If Mecreedy held his arm before his face, as was stated, to protect it from the charge, and if the gun had been fired directly at him, no reasonable man could deny that the result would have been fatal. The top of Mecreedy's head would have been blown off. It was ridiculous to suppose that a man with the determination to kill would miss his shot with a double-barrelled shotgun, and that his feet would have been the cold facts. The responsibility of deciding whether the accused had fired with "intent to then and there" was not for the jury to decide, but was evidenced by the facts brought out, the latter's actions had resulted in the wound, rested with the jury. Not the impression.

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To-day the results of the teachers' examinations held throughout the province about a month ago were obtained by the Times. They embrace three grades, namely, the senior, intermediate, and junior. Only a comparatively few candidates went up from the former two, however, and most of those who tried are residents of interior points not having the privilege of writing on the McGill College matriculation papers. For this reason only one person wrote for the intermediate certificate at the Victoria High school, and very few presented themselves for either the senior or the junior certificate at Vancouver. Therefore the results of the junior grade are considered more important than the others, not only because there were very much larger number of candidates in that class, but for the reason that the respective records of students representing the various centres into which British Columbia is divided may be compared.

In the best pupils of the Victoria College have always shown up with credit. The present occasion is no exception. Principal Paul and members of the local High school teachers' staff will well feel proud of the victory their pupils have achieved. A. N. King, one of Victoria's most promising young students, has made the highest aggregate of marks, 1081, there being quite a margin between his total and that of the leaders in other centres. Miss Lena Stevens and Miss Margaret L. Driver, both Victorians, with totals of 1,047 and 1,027 respectively, have also beaten those holding premier places in other districts. And another commendable feature of the results is that of the sixty-one local candidates forty-two have succeeded in securing the number of marks required to give them certificates for Vancouver, and the two leading students have 1,012 marks, which puts them next to Victoria. The Terminal City school, however, has passed a greater number of candidates than the local institution, having sixty-one successes to their credit, but then it should be remembered that quite a few more offered themselves for examination on the mainland than in this city. The remaining centres follow in the order named: Nanaimo, 922; Nelson, 921; Rossland, 918; New Westminster, 895; Cumberland, 893; Kamloops, 888; Park Falls, 869; Chilliwack, 853; Vernon, 790.

CHILLIWACK CENTRE. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Franklin G. Calvert.....1,004 Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400. Edna P. Crankshaw.....853

CUMBERLAND CENTRE. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

William H. Harrison.....976 Ethelyn M. Shore.....916 Katherine B. McArthur.....868 Margaret B. Carwithen.....843 Francis W. Smith.....790 Number of candidates, 6; passed, 5.

GRAND FORKS. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Jessie A. Stuart.....869 Isaac B. Langford.....829 Winifred C. Stuart.....728 Number of candidates, 6; passed, 3.

KAMLOOPS CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Henry S. Irwin.....883 Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1.

NANAIMO CENTRE. Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Howard J. Fisher.....710 Number of candidates, 2; passed, 1.

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Annie M. Fawcett.....762 Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Olaf Anstad.....1,070 Grace Isakson.....1,024 Margaret M. McVicar.....894 Ada M. Cartwright.....797 Ewah M. Cartwright.....785 Number of candidates, 5; passed, 5.

LONG VACATION RULES. Are Gazetted This Week—Appointments and Other Official Notices.

The following long vacation rules appearing in this week's Gazette will be of interest to legal men: 1. There shall be a vacation in the County courts of the province from the first day of August to the first day of October (both days inclusive) in each year, during which vacation, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, no cause shall be tried.

NEW WESTMINSTER CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Robert H. Mauzer.....885 Elizabeth J. Laidlaw.....882 James Gordon.....849 Mabel W. Stone.....840 Frances R. H. Atkins.....818 Elizabeth G. Wilkie.....812 Jeanie D. Forrester.....791 Stanley H. Gilchrist.....789 Clarence B. Crowe.....781 Minnie O. Carter.....756 Donald E. Murphy.....735 Henry W. Sangster.....735 Joseph Weaver.....707 Number of candidates, 21; passed, 14.

REVELSTOCK CENTRE. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Maudie H. Grant.....940 Emily Atkinson.....901 Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2.

ROSSLAND CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

John Buchanan.....918 Alice Cooper.....912 Number of candidates, 3; passed, 2.

VANCOUVER CENTRE. Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Agnes E. McEwen.....821 Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500. David M. Moore.....954 Rosannah Wall.....804 Gertrude M. Frederickson.....801 Number of candidates, 4; passed, 3.

ROSSLAND CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Nicholas D. Munro.....1,012 Frances M. Stone.....1,012 Mabel M. Brookings.....990 Christina M. McDonald.....964 Frances McKeen.....959 Hugh N. Lister.....938 Mabel W. Stone.....938 Eva Anderson.....909 Violet B. Daniels.....900 Dorothy Tunstall.....892 Barker, Hester A.....887 Bajus, Heien.....887 McKeen, Mabel H.....887 McLellan, Robert B.....882 Brophy, Francis M.....874 Goldsmith, Anna F. K.....874 Sorby, Henley E.....863 Bopps, David A.....853 Boeke, Ruby E.....853 Aske, Alice V. McL.....840 McLoud, Hazel E.....838 Nymman, Annie E.....838 Shaw, Clara H.....838 Manning, Lenies V (Zenies).....828 Smith, Hazel M.....828 Campbell, Norma.....827 White, Addie.....827 Watson, Kathleen E.....823 Skaling, Arthur C.....817 McMillan, William P.....815 Grew, Edna E.....812 Whitehead, Muriel.....807 Hunt, William L.....804 Wall, James T.....795 Releigh, Nellie.....794 Stewart, Carroll A.....791 Thomas, Owen J.....789 Murray, James de Pas.....789 Klyde, Hazel R.....779 Florio, Roy.....774 Shaw, Irene.....771 Martin, Alice.....769 Lawson, Gertrude.....769 Rousseau, Harry J.....765 Sparling, Helen M.....762 Campbell, Helena E.....748 Patterson, Margaret.....748 Teetzel, Joseph O.....744 Yeomans, Josephine B.....743 Clark, Lewis B.....731 McNelly, Kathleen M.....731 Letvinoff, Lena.....731 Scott, Margaret M.....730 Underhill, Frederick C.....718 Bath, Myr C.....714 Frith, Dorothy V.....714 Keenan, Laura M. E.....714 Clark, Mildred.....708

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LONG VACATION RULES. Are Gazetted This Week—Appointments and Other Official Notices.

The following long vacation rules appearing in this week's Gazette will be of interest to legal men: 1. There shall be a vacation in the County courts of the province from the first day of August to the first day of October (both days inclusive) in each year, during which vacation, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, no cause shall be tried.

NEW WESTMINSTER CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Robert H. Mauzer.....885 Elizabeth J. Laidlaw.....882 James Gordon.....849 Mabel W. Stone.....840 Frances R. H. Atkins.....818 Elizabeth G. Wilkie.....812 Jeanie D. Forrester.....791 Stanley H. Gilchrist.....789 Clarence B. Crowe.....781 Minnie O. Carter.....756 Donald E. Murphy.....735 Henry W. Sangster.....735 Joseph Weaver.....707 Number of candidates, 21; passed, 14.

REVELSTOCK CENTRE. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Maudie H. Grant.....940 Emily Atkinson.....901 Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2.

ROSSLAND CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

John Buchanan.....918 Alice Cooper.....912 Number of candidates, 3; passed, 2.

VANCOUVER CENTRE. Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Agnes E. McEwen.....821 Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500. David M. Moore.....954 Rosannah Wall.....804 Gertrude M. Frederickson.....801 Number of candidates, 4; passed, 3.

ROSSLAND CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Nicholas D. Munro.....1,012 Frances M. Stone.....1,012 Mabel M. Brookings.....990 Christina M. McDonald.....964 Frances McKeen.....959 Hugh N. Lister.....938 Mabel W. Stone.....938 Eva Anderson.....909 Violet B. Daniels.....900 Dorothy Tunstall.....892 Barker, Hester A.....887 Bajus, Heien.....887 McKeen, Mabel H.....887 McLellan, Robert B.....882 Brophy, Francis M.....874 Goldsmith, Anna F. K.....874 Sorby, Henley E.....863 Bopps, David A.....853 Boeke, Ruby E.....853 Aske, Alice V. McL.....840 McLoud, Hazel E.....838 Nymman, Annie E.....838 Shaw, Clara H.....838 Manning, Lenies V (Zenies).....828 Smith, Hazel M.....828 Campbell, Norma.....827 White, Addie.....827 Watson, Kathleen E.....823 Skaling, Arthur C.....817 McMillan, William P.....815 Grew, Edna E.....812 Whitehead, Muriel.....807 Hunt, William L.....804 Wall, James T.....795 Releigh, Nellie.....794 Stewart, Carroll A.....791 Thomas, Owen J.....789 Murray, James de Pas.....789 Klyde, Hazel R.....779 Florio, Roy.....774 Shaw, Irene.....771 Martin, Alice.....769 Lawson, Gertrude.....769 Rousseau, Harry J.....765 Sparling, Helen M.....762 Campbell, Helena E.....748 Patterson, Margaret.....748 Teetzel, Joseph O.....744 Yeomans, Josephine B.....743 Clark, Lewis B.....731 McNelly, Kathleen M.....731 Letvinoff, Lena.....731 Scott, Margaret M.....730 Underhill, Frederick C.....718 Bath, Myr C.....714 Frith, Dorothy V.....714 Keenan, Laura M. E.....714 Clark, Mildred.....708

VERNON CENTRE. Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Becker, Jay O.....790 McMillan, John L.....786 Number of candidates, 5; passed, 2.

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WILL MAKE OFFER TO WATER COMPANY

REGARDING THEIR GOLDSTREAM RIGHTS

Committee of City Council Discusses the Vexed Question—Would Pay Six Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The first definite move towards the solution of the vexed waterworks problem was decided upon by the city council sitting as the public works committee on Thursday. The matter was pretty fully discussed, the upshot being the adoption of a resolution moved by Ald. Stewart and seconded by Ald. Hall, providing that the Esquimaux Waterworks Co. be asked if they would accept \$600,000 for their plant, property, franchise, rights and privileges. The question will come up again on Monday night in the form of a report from the public works committee. It is hardly likely it will interfere with the motion of Ald. Hannan regarding the amendment of the waterworks act.

The discussion last night was a long one. Ald. Stewart objected to the clause in the contract granting the street railway company an exclusive monopoly of the water power in the event of the city acquiring the property of the waterworks company. Ald. Fullerton failed to understand how the previous council could extend such privileges to the railway company. Ald. Fell pointed out that at that time the railway company had decided to utilize their water rights in the agreement. From an economic standpoint the company would save money by using their Shevagan water rights.

The undermentioned persons to be commissioners for taking affidavits in the Supreme court, for the purpose of acting under the Provincial Elections Act in the electoral district in which they reside: Alberti electoral district, Geo. H. Davy of Bamfield, V. I.; Cranbrook electoral district, Victor Rollins, Thomas Carvin, Walter Edwards, William Rolfe, Benjamin Murgatroyd, all of Cranbrook. The resignation of Frederic James Burrell, of Galiano Island, as justice of the peace has been accepted.

The following exporting companies have been licensed: Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada, capital \$1,000,000, provincial head office, Vancouver; J. W. Griffin & Co., Limited, Winnipeg, capital \$500,000, provincial headquarters, Vancouver; Sovereign Life Assurance Company of Canada, capital \$1,000,000, provincial headquarters, Victoria. Finally, Ald. Stewart moved the resolution already referred to, which was carried. In the discussion which took place, Mr. Adams stated that he expressed himself in favor of dealing with the secret contract before making the offer to the waterworks company. The matter was then threshed out at next Monday's meeting.

A number of other subjects came before the committee. Among these was the question of permanent sidewalks from Government to Broad Johnson and Douglas streets being exhausted it was decided to use a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, which had been appropriated for the same purpose, for permanent sidewalks on both sides of Douglas street from Yates to Johnson, also the north side of Johnson street from Yates to Johnson. The committee also had a meeting with representatives of the Taylor Mill Co. and Lemon, Gomonson & Co. regarding the waterfront at the foot of Queen's street. It was decided to lease a portion to both companies.

The plumbing inspector recommended that a trench sewer be laid easterly from the intersection of Douglas and Johnson streets, a distance of 160 feet, and northerly from the corner of Frederick and Quadra streets. These recommendations will be carried out.

WEDNESDAY'S EXCURSION.

Trip Will Be Made to Fish Traps at Sooke on the Charming.

By the kindness of J. P. Babcock, fishery commissioner of British Columbia, and C. F. Todd a special limited excursion has been arranged for Wednesday next to see the fish traps raised at Sooke. The steamer Charming will leave Victoria at 2:30 p. m. The excursion will be under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, and the Daughters of Pity, Provincial, Royal Jubilee hospital, and the proceeds, after expenses are paid, are to go towards the funds of the children's ward.

Mr. Babcock has promised to assist the ladies and to present himself on the occasion. Arrangements will be made for "high tea" on board so that there will be no need to hurry home. Other arrangements are in hand towards making the afternoon both pleasant and interesting. Tickets may be obtained from the following: Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Roke Robertson, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. W. Broderick, Mrs. Hasel and from any member of the executive of either society, also from J. P. Babcock, P. S. Northey, Hibben & Co. of Chatham, and Mitchell and C. E. Redfern. As only a limited number of tickets are to be placed on sale persons wishing to participate should make early application.

The Times has arranged for a series of articles on fruit growing, having special application to this southern section of Vancouver Island, by a practical grower. They will deal with every phase of this important industry, and will undoubtedly be read with interest. The first which appears to-day refers in a general way to the advantages this province enjoys from a fruit-growing standpoint and its market possibilities. The writer says:

The striking exhibits of our fruit sent to compete in the different parts of this Dominion and the Mother Land, and the remarkable way in which these specialties have carried off the highest awards against all comers have created wide-spread interest in our province and its possibilities as a fruit producer. Much has been written showing our unsurpassed local advantages in climate, soil and shipping facilities. The uniform success of those who have engaged in the work is a sufficient evidence of what has been written or said as to the position we hold in growing large and small fruits, and also the unlimited market we command for the disposal of it.

The demand for apples, pears, plums, cherries and quinces and for strawberries, currants, raspberries, Logan berries and blackberries, all of which grow to perfection here. Has exceeded in the Northwest along 75 per cent of our capacity to supply. This shows the infant state of this industry, and also points out to those who look ahead the need of training this infant industry to the point of self-dependence. The plumb inspector recommended that a trench sewer be laid easterly from the intersection of Douglas and Johnson streets, a distance of 160 feet, and northerly from the corner of Frederick and Quadra streets. These recommendations will be carried out.

REGRET HIS RESIGNATION. Congregation of Calvary Baptist Church Show Esteem For Their Pastor. A week ago, it will be remembered, Rev. J. F. Vichert, M. A., pastor of Calvary Baptist church, has been tendered and has accepted a fellowship in the University of Chicago, with a view to complete his post graduate course, and to accept of the pastorate of Calvary Baptist church, with the assistance of the board of horticulture piloted the industry through its experimental stage by assisting and encouraging by every means in their power those interested in the work. Now that the commercial stage has been reached this work of education must go on and extend. If the Dominion government would co-operate in this work to the extent justified by results of the past many a dollar might be saved to the province by a timely presentation of advice, thereby averting the loss of the markets of the world.

Co-Operation is the Key to making us a factor in competition with the open markets of the world. The Victoria District Fruit Growers' Association have experienced this in a limited sense, having pooled their crops and marketed them through a central depot for the past three years with a good measure of success. They have by co-operative means completely revolutionized the former means of placing their fruit on the market, and have substituted for a haphazard method a system of uniform packages, stencilled to conform to the provisions of the Fruit Marks Act. In this they pick and choose the best specimens of their fruit in a way that compares favorably with the best seen on the market. They also realize that only the best specimens will pay to ship, and have made provisions to take care of their secondary products and turn it to profit by establishing this year an up-to-date steam kettle and boiler for the manufacture of jams and jellies. To this they will add an evaporator and cider press. These and many other reforms have been brought about by this association, and although they are heavy matters for a young institution to handle, they know that it is their only salvation in obtaining commercial satisfaction, and a name without which they could not keep abreast of foreign competition of more mature experience. The subject of co-operation land-clearing and spraying orchards by power will be next dealt with.

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"YELLOW JACK" SPREADS.

Fleeing Italians From New Orleans Endanger Surrounding Places and Spread Disease. New Orleans, La., July 27.—One case of yellow fever has appeared at a canyon five miles from Port St. Phillips, 60 miles below the city. It is that of an Italian woman who escaped from the French market district. The Italian societies are joining with priests of their nationality in efforts to aid the authorities. The only serious alarm here has been among the Italian Market of whom living the French market section were ignorant and superstitious, and when the fever began to rage they became frightened and fled to friends in other sections of the city and surrounding country. Several concealed cases of fever have been reported.

No report of additional new cases or deaths from yellow fever was made public by the city board of health in the early hours of the day. Official report was made of twelve new cases and six deaths occurring yesterday. Of the twelve new cases nine are Italian living in the vicinity of the French market. Of the deaths one occurred in hospital, two up town and the other three in the French market district. The health authorities said to-day there were still hopes of eradicating the disease before fell, and in any event with the precautions being taken serious epidemic was entirely out of question.

RUSSIAN OPINION.

Newspapers Discuss the Japanese Announcement as to Peace Conditions. St. Petersburg, July 27.—The substance of the interview in New York with M. Sato, spokesman for the Japanese mission, on the position of the Japanese in the peace negotiations was reproduced in the papers and passed almost without comment, except that Novoye Vremya contains a sarcastic fling, saying that Japan conducted the war quite economically, quite a million a day, but upon the loss or recovery of any other contingency or event dependent upon or contingent upon the life of the individual would or might be taken to affect the interest of the Japanese government, or otherwise, or of any person or persons, or of any property, or of any such events as aforesaid happening in the lifetime of any other person or persons, or upon the loss or recovery of any other contingency or event dependent upon or contingent upon the life of the individual, or otherwise, or of any person or persons, or of any property, or of any such events as aforesaid happening in the lifetime of any other person or persons, or upon the loss or recovery of any other contingency or event 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