



THE LIBERAL CONVENTION.

Not the slightest excuse now exists for any... The Liberal of British Columbia. The splendid success which attended the great convention of the party at New Westminster last week has shown the remarkable unanimity, the zeal and the determination which animate the party.

VICTORIA & EASTERN RAILWAY.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser announced yesterday the completion of the negotiations which have been in progress for some time back between the owners of the charter of the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway & Navigation Company and several well known capitalists.

Mr. Mann is also a capitalist, who has been for many years identified with the projection and operation of great railway contracts and schemes, and is now heavily interested in East and West Kootenay mining properties. The province is, therefore, to be congratulated upon seeing the control of one of its most promising railway projects passing into the hands of men so capable of carrying it to success.

WELL DONE, WESTMINSTER.

If there is a town of the same size in Canada that can show a better record than New Westminster for its whole public spirit, genuine enterprise, resolute courage in face of adverse conditions and a more intelligent appreciation of its own advantages and resources we should like to hear it named.

Mr. John Burns, M.P.E. (the "Battersea Coughdrop") discussing the conditions of labor in England and in America in a two-column letter to the London Times, says the American employer has fewer deadheads to carry about.

New Brunswick is going to have an unusually heavy amount of lumber to carry over this fall, the local market being paralyzed and no demand from Great Britain or the United States.

Right Rev. Dr. Dart, Lord Bishop of New Westminster, has been indulging the Montreal Daily Witness young man with a long interview on ecclesiastical matters at the Windsor Hotel in this city, where he has been visiting.

"Is the boss lit?" he asked of the bookkeeper. "Which one do you wish to see?" replied the bookkeeper, "the office boy or the typewriter?"—Life.

Merit Talks... Hood's Sarsaparilla... Is the best, in fact—the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

ROYAL CITY FAIR.

The Annual Exhibition at New Westminster a Success in Every Respect.

Continuation of the Prize List—Success of the Victoria Exhibitors.

New Westminster, Oct. 10.—The exhibition of the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Association held at Westminster has proved to be equally as successful as any previous exhibition held at the Royal City.

Lieut.-Governor Dewdney formally opened the exhibition, being introduced to the audience by President Trapp, of the R.A. & I.S. The governor's remarks were congratulatory to the management of the exhibition and of the general display of the exhibits this year.

At the official meeting of the association held in the city hall Thursday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: T. J. Trapp was re-elected president; D. R. Ker and T. G. Earle were re-elected first and second vice-presidents.

George Francis Train, the famous sage of Oshawa, who has for thirty years been a resident of this city, has been elected to the position of companion of any order of the city.

ing youth and maturity he may live to an old age and still be able to say with absolute truth, "I am a child myself." Youth is not a matter of years. Happiness is not a question of experiences.

O'Connell & Morris' exhibit was without exception one of the most attractive and best arranged displays in the exhibition. It was in two separate portions, the confectionery being displayed in cases and bottles, whilst the pyramid of fruit was shown in the rear.

Shelton Knight, South Vancouver—Jno. McKillop, Burnaby—A. J. Street and J. W. McGillivray, Westham Island—E. Kirkland, E. L. Webber was elected auditor.

Short-horns—Bull, 2 years old and upwards, W. H. Laidner, W. R. Austin; 1 year, A. Mitchell. Cow, 3 years old and upwards, W. H. Laidner, diploma holder.

Hereford—Bull, 3 years and upwards, H. F. Page, 2 years, J. R. Rouse, J. Wells; 1 year, Mackie Bros., J. Wells. Bull calf, under 1 year, Wm. Neillands, J. Wells.

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MEMBERS OBJECT.

Government Propose to Open the New Parliament Buildings This Month.

Many Think the Proper Time is When the House is Formally Opened.

There is very strong opposition to the proposal of the provincial government to open the new parliament buildings on the 28th of this month.

In the first place, it is felt that the representatives of the people, the members of the legislature, should be present at the opening.

When told that the memorial plate would bear an inscription that the new buildings were "opened on the 28th October, 1897," which clearly showed the intention of the government, Mr. Higgins said that in spite of the plate he did not think the opening ceremony would take place on that or any other date prior to the day selected for the meeting of parliament.

It is said that even Hon. Mr. Martin, chief commissioner of lands and works, under the supervision of whose department the buildings were erected, also wishes to wait until the opening of the house, and that he was not taken into the confidence of the other members of the cabinet when it was decided to open them on the 28th inst.

REASONS GIVEN

For the Refusal of Shing Kow's Application for a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

The decision of Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem as to who should have the custody of the Chinese girl now in the Refuge Home, brief mention of which was made yesterday, is a rather important one.

"From your advertisement one would think you intended to make the entire voyage from the Sound to Dawson City in one steamer."

"Not so fast," interrupted Mr. Williams. "There is my idea. We will have the steamer New York, or at least when we purchase the steamer in San Francisco, we will name it the New York."

"Why do you have your office here, when you intend talking none but Englishmen? Why not have your office in Victoria?"

"Ob, the freight will be taken from here; the passengers from Victoria. Only seventy-five passengers will be taken. I carry on my business by correspondence."

the Refuge Home to retain the girl, nor, on the other hand, any right in the applicant to have her transferred to him.

TO DAWSON FOR \$40

The Somewhat Novel Scheme of a Steamship Company—No Americans Need Apply.

Seattle P. I. "Writes Up" the Proposition—One Boat on Ocean and River Trips.

A proposition to transport people to Dawson City at a fare of \$40 each has attracted some attention on the Sound.

A catchy advertisement appeared recently in the Victoria Colonist. It offered transportation to Dawson City "by the best, safest, most comfortable and cheapest all-water route from Seattle, Victoria and Nanaimo, via ocean and Yukon river, March 15th next, at the rate of \$40, including meals and 300 pounds of baggage, but no blankets; by the first class steamer chartered for one trip only by the Yukon Mining & Mercantile Company, Ltd., of London, for the transportation of their own general merchandise, tools, machinery and men to Dawson City and other points on the Yukon."

The foregoing information was displayed to catch the public eye, especially the \$40 item. The following paragraph completed the advertisement:

"People without means, wishing to go to the Yukon, on arrival at Dawson City will find the company well pleased to enter into some agreement with them to furnish all provisions and outfits to go prospecting."

The steamer will stay three months at Dawson City, and will then return to the south. The fare on the return trip will be \$40 only for the people who go up March 15th next.

"Reserve your berth now. A very limited number of passengers will be accepted. The advertisement appeared in a Victoria paper, yet for further particulars the public was referred to "Mr. P. Williams, general manager of the Yukon Mining & Mercantile Company, P. O. Box 542, Seattle."

There a reporter called yesterday afternoon in search of information. Mr. Williams proved to be a foreigner, with a pronounced German accent. On his desk was a pile of letters. Almost his first question was:

"What is your nationality?" "American," responded the reporter. "We cannot take you," said Mr. Williams promptly. "No Americans, only Englishmen. You see it is an English company. The fare charged is only nominal, but the passengers must agree to give to the company a one-twentieth interest in all claims they may discover on the Yukon. It is on that account that we wish Englishmen, as there will then be no trouble with the Canadian government. You are no prospector, eh? We want prospectors, English prospectors. The company makes nothing from the sale of passages. It will profit by the labors of those who go north in its vessels, and general merchandise will be shipped to the Yukon for stores to be located by the company at Dawson City and other points."

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NEWS OF THE SHIPS

The W. J. Bryant is Safe—Minnie Arrives From Behring Sea—Boscovits Sails.

The San Francisco Schooner Orion Lost in a Collision—Eliza Anderson Condemned.

Another schooner of the sealing fleet, the Minnie, Capt. Victor Jacobsen, was towed into the harbor yesterday evening by the steam schooner Mischief.

The steamer Eliza Anderson, which was wrecked in the Behring Sea, has been safely landed at Seattle, where she is being repaired.

Anxiety has been felt in shipping circles for the American schooner W. J. Bryant, which was caught in the storm which wrecked the Eliza Anderson.

Six more of the crew of the lost whaling bark, the New York, which was crushed in the ice in the Arctic ocean some time ago, have been saved by the whaling bark Charles W. Morgan, of San Francisco.

The repairs to the Barbara Boscovitz were completed yesterday evening, and this morning she sailed from Port Simpson, calling at each of the northern canneries and way ports.

The tug Lorne returned from the cape this morning, after towing the John C. Potter to sea, and on her arrival she left again for sea with the British ship Irbay, Captain Griffiths, in tow.

The old steamer Eliza Anderson, which sailed from the Sound many weeks ago with a large number of gold seekers and which was compelled to go into Dutch Harbor to prevent going to pieces, is now at Ounulaska, where she has been condemned as unseaworthy.

The steam schooner Mischief went down as far as William Head this morning to look for some of the incoming ice, but the fog was so thick that she was obliged to return.

SUES HER FATHER

Mrs. Luti Jenns of Vancouver Wants to Recover Stocks from Colonel Landes.

Prays for Judgment for \$10,000—Grounds Upon Which the Suit is Based.

The private as well as the business affairs of Col. Henry Landes, of Port Townsend, one of the best-known men in the State, will be aired in court if a suit which his daughter, Mrs. Luti Jenns of Vancouver, B.C., began against him yesterday in the Federal court is allowed to go to trial.

Those who are familiar with the affairs of the Landes family say that Col. Landes and his daughter are not on speaking terms, and that recently Mrs. Jenns' husband, who is Landes' son-in-law, had a rough-and-tumble fight with Col. Landes, which came near resulting very seriously.

The proceedings which Mrs. Jenns is bringing into court, certain papers of the Landes Estate Company, so that the court may ascertain just what has become of certain stock belonging to her.

It is alleged that in October, 1894, Col. Landes gave his daughter as a gift 74 shares of the capital stock of the First National Bank of Port Townsend. Later, it is alleged, Col. Landes had his daughter endorse the stock to him, he promising to keep it in trust for her.

Thomas Cummings, a sealer who returned home on the Umbria on Wednesday last, made an attempt in the Poole Dog restaurant this afternoon to kill Hallett Bailey, a clerk in J. W. Erskine, Wall & Co.'s grocery store.

Two of them go wide of the mark and the other grazes Bailey's leg.

Deaths of Mr. Erb. Well known Victoria Business Man Passes Away Last Night.

Castoria For Infants and Children.

BOUGHT THE STEMWINDER.

A Valuable Fairview Property Acquired by Dier, Davidson & Russell.

Elmore Dier returned last evening from Fairview, where he has been employed for some time in the interests of Dier, Davidson & Russell, the mining operators.

The large hotel being erected by Dier, Davidson & Russell and their new office buildings will shortly be ready for occupancy.

Wanted. Men and women who can work hard and writing six hours daily, with six days a week, and will be content with ten dollars weekly, address NEW IDEAS CO., Medical Building, Toronto, Ont.

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