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RAILWAY OFFICIAL HAS BEEN ARRESTED

Private Ferry Will Be Given Great Reception at Toronto-News From Canadian Ports.

Port Arthur, Ont., July 29.-R. Bacon, harbor expert of the Grand Trunk Pacific...

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Mrs. Louise Crane, of Enderby, B. C., died on Friday morning at her home in this city. Deceased was 55 years of age, and a native of New York. The funeral is arranged for Monday at 10:30 a.m. From the parlors of W. J. Hanna. Rev. P. Westman will officiate.

The funeral of the infant son of T. W. Walker, took place on Saturday from the residence at Foul Bay, Rev. Dr. Rowe conducting the services. The pallbearers were six little girls. These consisted of two daughters from each of three families in camp at Foul Bay, namely, Miss Stevens, J. G. Brown and Loss.

The board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital have opened tenders and awarded contracts as follows: Groceries, Fall & Cox; meat, L. Goodacre & Sons; drugs, Hall & Co.; milk, Finlay & Sons; Cadboro Bay; scavenging, E. Lines; printing annual report, Victoria Printing & Publishing Co.

The funeral of the late Joseph Belaire took place on Saturday at 8:45 a.m. from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral & Embalming Co., and at the Roman Catholic cathedral at 9 o'clock. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father LaFleur. The funeral service at the church and grave was conducted by the Rev. Father LaFleur.

The death occurred Thursday at the Jubilee hospital of Joseph Belaire. Deceased was about 60 years of age, and had been residing on Valder Island for some years. He came down the other day suffering from cancer, and went to the hospital for proper medical treatment. Nothing, however, could be done, and he passed away on Thursday night.

Tuesday's San Francisco call says: "Ed Youngren, of Victoria, B. C., who arrived yesterday on the Steamship City of Pough, was denied a landing by the immigration authorities on the ground that he was suffering from tuberculosis. During the trip Youngren is said to have tried to jump overboard, but was restrained by a bluejacket from Bremerton navy yard, who was a fellow passenger."

Thursday a magnificent specimen of the Barracuda, a fish seldom found in these northern waters, was captured in the neighborhood of Sooke. It is about three feet in length, 10" body is scaled and shaped much the same as the salmon with one exception. The head is most prominent and much larger than the body which has been turned over to the provincial museum, makes as good a food fish as could be desired, and is frequently caught along the southern California coast.

At the second annual meeting of the B. C. Collieries Association, whose properties are in the Similkameen, in Pioneer hall on Thursday, the following board of directors was elected for the ensuing year: George H. H. H. H., J. M. C. J., D. Durand, S. Johns, William McCarter, T. A. Babington and W. X. McCarter. The directors elected the following officers: President, G. W. Glover; vice-president, P. J. Riddell; secretary, E. C. Church; treasurer, J. E. Durand; auditor, D. R. Fraser.

The employees of Welles Bros. have presented Miss Lulu Davies with a very handsome silver teapot upon her leaving the firm's employ. The teapot's portunity afforded was made the means of conveying to Miss Davies the sincere regard of every member of the staff, and of assuring her that the best wishes of all who were associated with her for the past three and a half years will follow her for the time to come. It may be stated that Miss Davies occupied the position of stenographer for the firm, to whom she has given excellent satisfaction.

One of the happiest and most enjoyable gatherings in the history of the Sir William Wallace Society took place on Friday in their hall, Broad street. The occasion marked the anniversary of the evening the members and friends sat down to a supper which reflected great credit on the committee in charge.

A party of prominent capitalists who are largely interested in the British Columbia Packers' Association have reached Vancouver from the East. The party consists of E. W. Rollins, of the firm of E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston; Edward Cronyn, of the firm of Amesbury Jarvis & Company, Toronto, and Charles E. L. Fortson, of Montreal, and Ashton Rollins. They are out West to see something of the salmon run, and also to attend the annual meeting of the British Columbia Packers' Association, which will be held in Vancouver on Monday. The party, it is expected, will visit Victoria to inspect the fish traps on this island.

The appended communication has been received by Messrs. Radiger & Tait, local agents for Buchanan Company, from H. W. Kent, secretary-treasurer of the North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen: "I beg to advise that at the annual meeting of the N. P. A. at Portland, Oregon, on the 23rd inst., it was resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered Messrs. Buchanan & Co., through their agents, for their kindness in donating such a handsome trophy to the N. P. A. A. O." A postscript says: "It was unanimously decided at this meeting that all officers and members of the association not in training should in future drink Buchanan Scotch."

Some holographic correspondence between Geddie Hill and Beaton Hill was successfully conducted Sunday by J. E. Connel and Lieut. Angus.

The County court sat on Monday, presided over by Judge Harrison. Very few cases came up for a hearing, and were disposed of in a short time.

Rev. P. Westman conducted services on Monday at the parlors of W. J. Hanna and also the graveside in connection with the funeral of the late Mrs. Frane, many beautiful flowers were presented.

H. B. W. Aikman, who passed away on the 25th inst., was a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, in which he carried an insurance of \$2,000. The claim was paid on Friday, the 26th inst. The old order is being conducted on business principles, and prompt payment is one of the features.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at the Dominion hotel Thursday, the contracting parties being Mr. P. J. Wolf and Miss Frost. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Adams. Both the bride and groom are residents of Port Angeles. They will spend their honeymoon in this city.

An entertainment in aid of the Church Building Society was held at Duncan on Wednesday. Miss G. Prior, Miss G. J. Owen, Mrs. H. Foster, Mr. Langford, Mrs. Mellin and Mr. Williams were among those who contributed to the programme. A very enjoyable evening was spent, which concluded with dancing.

An entertainment in aid of the Quebec street, on Saturday, Mr. Bertram Paxton and Miss Jeanne Crawford were united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. J. F. Vichet. Only a few of the most intimate friends of the bride and groom were present. Mr. and Mrs. Paxton are spending their honeymoon on the Sound.

The Provincial Maritime Association of Vancouver will hold their annual picnic to Gauges harbor on Saturday, August 6th. The steamer Charrmer has been chartered to run from Vancouver, and the steamer Irons will leave Sidney on the arrival of the 1 o'clock train from Victoria. Both vessels will arrive on the picnic grounds at about 1 o'clock.

First class swimming certificates have been assigned to Misses Sargison, Strath and Griffin. The tests to which the ladies were subjected are the same as those required of boys. Miss Sargison was the youngest lady to win the certificate, while Miss Madge Griffin, who is only seven years of age, is the youngest to be assigned the certificate.

Sir William C. Van Horne and party left for the East on Saturday afternoon, the private car being occupied by attached to the Imperial Limited," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "In the morning Sir William inspected the steamer Princess Victoria, and then came out on a special train to witness the opening operations, returning about 3:30 o'clock."

Members of the W.C.T.U. held their regular meeting Thursday afternoon at the Refuge Home Convent street. Miss McNaught presided, and after the usual routine business instructions were given Mrs. Spofford to make a general appeal for funds for the new Refuge Home, which is almost completed. Another meeting will be held next Thursday evening.

Victoria No. 2, Building Society, held its semi-annual meeting at the office of the secretary, No. 15 Frontenac street, Saturday evening, when the half-yearly financial and balance sheet were submitted. They showed the society to be in a flourishing condition. The fourth appropriation for an appropriation was held, resulting in ticket No. 130, A and B, being chosen. C. M. Hills, of the West side, the lucky holder, receives the appropriation of \$2,000.

The Y. M. C. A. excursion to Salt Spring island on Saturday was enjoyed by all who attended. There were about 500 took advantage of this delightful trip by the City of Nanaimo, which James Dunsmuir kindly placed at the disposal of the organization for this purpose. The weather was all that could be desired, and a pleasant time was spent. The usual routine business instructions were provided, refreshments, and Parfitt's orchestra provided music throughout the trip.

The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm acknowledged, with thanks, the following donations to the institution for the month of July: Mrs. L. J. Quigley, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. H. D. Helms, illustrated papers and tobacco; Mrs. McConnel, magazines; Mrs. L. Fisher, clothing and reading matter; A. W. Renfrew, magazines; A. Friend, clothing; N. Shakespeare, reading matter; per B. O. Furniture Co., clothing; Mr. Galletty, illustrated papers; Times and Colonist, daily papers; and Mining Exchange. Through the kindness of Mr. Jamieson, of the Grand theatre, the inmates of the home can attend the afternoon performances free.

A delightful programme of music was rendered Sunday afternoon by the Regimental band at the park, the opening number being "The Heavens Telling," from Haydn's masterpiece, "The Creation." Its rendition by the Regimental band was perfect, and showed the result of careful rehearsal. Sun's famous overture, "Morning, Noon and Night," went with a dash, as did the well known selection from "Princess Ida" by Victor Herbert. The Highland patrol, "Wee MacGregor," was an excellent bit of Scotch characteristic music. Sir Arthur Sullivan's "Lost Chord" was given an artistic interpretation by S. North. These good old songs, like good wine, seem to improve with age. "The Message," a concerto for euphonium, was fantastically rendered by Barbara Henderson. Mr. Henderson is a clever performer on his chosen instrument, and is a valuable acquisition to the band. It is to be hoped that the excellent work which he has done in these concerts gives this excellent musical organization until their departure for St. Louis.

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PERSONAL

The following are registered at Hotel Strathcona: S. M. Cardeau, Philadelphia; Mrs. E. B. Everett, Seattle; Mrs. E. Wade, Kamloops; Miss Grant, Oakland, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Sledner, Miss Stogren and H. W. Holden, Portland; Miss E. B. McIntyre and Mrs. J. Macbeth, Toronto; Miss M. McIntyre, Seattle; L. E. B. Michael, Miss K. Michael and Edith Fenwick, Ladangh; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foran, Major Jones and Mrs. Jones, Mrs. E. B. McMillan, Miss B. M. Lawhead, H. G. Lawson, Misses King, Master Fred. King, Mrs. E. M. King, S. Y. Wootton, Rev. Elliot S. Rowe, A. E. Fraser, Miss Fraser, Harry Fuller, C. E. Leay, A. W. Currie and wife, Miss Haynes, N. C. Barclay, H. Wallace, P. Crookford, J. D. Willa, Miss R. Robinson, Mrs. M. J. Barham, Miss Dora Macdonald, Miss Finch, James Peterson, wife and son, Miss Belle Brownlee, Miss Nellie Brownlee, Mrs. H. J. Brownlee, Miss Munnie, Miss Mand Munnie, M. Boultbee and wife, H. Erb, Miss Holmes, C. Bussford, Cuzon Osborne, Mrs. Sutton, D. H. Young, Miss Pearl Clay, A. B. Powell and P. Powell, Victoria; Captain and Mrs. W. Vasmone, Burnaby; Miss Martha Esquimaux; D. B. Cameron, San Francisco; L. E. MacHattie, D. E. McLutcheon, E. B. Brittain and R. P. Freeman, of Vancouver.

Wm. Drury, of the firm of Drury & Taylor, Dawson, Y. T., was among the passengers from the North by the steamer Cottage City, and is registered at the Dominion hotel. He brought with him two valuable black fox furs, which, it is estimated, will be sold here at about \$300 each. They are very handsome and exceedingly rare. Mr. Drury states that business throughout the Yukon is brisk.

Col. Wolfenden, King's printer, after two months spent in the interior of the province, returned to Vancouver on Saturday. He has visited Kamloops, Vernon and other parts of the country in the vicinity of these centres during his leave of absence. He resumed his duties this morning.

Herr Fremuth, a violinist, who has taught in the musical profession in this city and has frequently played in public entertainments, has left Dawson, where he has been during the last few years, en route to Germany. He will visit his parents in the Fatherland, and will then settle down to a deeper study of his instrument.

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H. Carmichael, provincial assayer, has returned to the city after an official visit to the Mount Baker mining section of the province. While there he has inspected some of the ore bodies which have been discovered.

INCONSISTENT. To the Editor:—In answer to your correspondent "Pay No More" in Friday's issue, it seems to be a question of really bonus, bonus, bonus, and is certainly not in keeping with the election pledges. And we have had more than enough through the drossy stagnation and artificiality of our surroundings. Some poor overburdened taxpayers a few dollars in arrears for water get it promptly turned off or disconnected. If a petition is sent to the council from the halving or ousting portions of the city for a few planks or a few loads of gravel to fill up the ruts in our streets, etc., we are met with the old hackneyed cry "no funds."

Not very long ago our burdened taxpayers were asked to vote many thousands of dollars for public improvements, not being met here and pay taxes. The men trucking cement or the man driving the quill, receiving a salary from the city? But before doing so, let the overburdened taxpayers and business community who vote the tax and have to pay, have a voice in the matter. No non-deplume.

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Dancing—Professional. Highland fling—1st, A. Mathews; 2nd, James Henderson. Sword dance—1st, J. Henderson; 2nd, A. Mathews. Ballroom—1st, J. Henderson; 2nd, C. Henderson. Irish jig—1st, J. Henderson. Lever's Y-Z (Wine Head) Disinfectant Soap. Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time.

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City of Pough's Stormy Voyage From the Golden Gate—Big Salmon Run.
Trucking merchandise up and down the wharves and sheds is an old-fashioned way of moving freight on the water-front these days. The Vancouver & Victoria Stevedoring Company recognize this, and they have set up ready for business on a C. P. R. shed in the Terminal City the first electric cargo conveyor introduced on the British Columbia coast. With the conveyor two men can load merchandise in the form of flour, grain, canned goods and all cargo of like size on a ship at the rate of 125 tons per hour.

The cargo will be carried from the car or any place in the shed up on the deck of the steamer, something after the manner in which chaff is carried by a straw-carrier on a threshing machine," says the Vancouver Ledger. "On deck the conveyor dumps the freight off on to slides, which carry it on to any part of the hold of the ship. The new conveyor dumps the freight off on to slides, which carry it on to any part of the hold of the ship. The new conveyor is manufactured by the Jeffries Manufacturing Company, of Columbus, Ohio, and is in every way an entire success. Alex. McDermott, president of the company, intends to install a similar conveyor at Victoria. They have already ordered a coal handler, which is unique. It consists of an endless bucket arrangement, and will load coal off the barge into a ship's hold or in the wharf at the rate of 150 tons per hour."

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ROBERTS—At Nelson, on July 27th, by Rev. J. T. Ferguson, William Fraser Ross and Miss Jessie Lull Guthrie.

JENKINS—At the family residence, No. 214 Fourth street, West Seattle, on the 25th instant, David Jenkins, a native of Swansea, Glamorgan-shire, Wales, aged 39 years and 4 months, died.

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CANNOT IMPOUNDER
OUR LABOR MUST GIVE
Government's New Bill
Construction of C
of Railway

Ottawa, July 22.—I introduced to-day in the House an amendment against the importation of the proposed bill under the pretence of making an offence to export. If there is a case not obtained in Canada can be made to a permit to import. The old statute requires a judge to bring a motion in the Alien Law court to make a judgment in made to prevent violation, which precludes labor by advertisement common offence under the proposed bill. The Italian brought a case in point.

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Mr. Justice Britton Wilfrid Laurier today Treadgold and other in the Yukon. The railway commission leave for the coast on Profenaine will leave via about Wednesday.

SHIPWRECKED. The Captain and Mrs. President have New Bedford, Me. board the Portuguese steamer, which has arrived were Capt. Enos and whaling barque Press hatched on the west May 8th. The President struck somewhere in the vic and, according to the Second Mate Barney had been smashed reached shore. Mate were ten men left on dent without any. These ten finally em which they floated a before those who had shore were able to reach bread came ash canned goods also, plenty of food, but water. They w Port Alexandria, an bench to that place, after three days' int ing without shoes the shells on the beach by the sand. One a poison and a wound. The captain the party.

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THE NORTHERN WRECK.
 News now comes from the Sound that
 Capt. James Doyle, of the fishing steamer
 Arrow, brings a story from the north
 of the finding of wreckage off Gander
 Island, in connection with which a bot-
 tle was picked up containing a note on
 which the names of three men were
 given. The note indicates that the res-
 cued crew from Port Townsend, March
 17th. Shipping men of the Sound, how-
 ever, hold to the theory that the lost res-
 cued from either Victoria or Van-
 couver, and was employed in the halibut
 fishing trade. But the description of the
 wreckage and the name Manzanito on
 the life-preserver found does not bear
 out this contention. The Indian girl who
 told Capt. Doyle of the wreck was able
 to read and write English easily, having
 received her education in Oregon. It
 was she who told of the bottle found be-
 side the wreck. She stated that there
 were three names attached, but she could
 not remember what they were.

An automobile, driven by one of the St.
 Louis tourists, scorching through Roch-
 ester, ran into a carriage driven by
 Simon August, a well-known horseman
 of western New York. The horse ran
 away, dragging the driver several blocks.
 August was seriously injured. The horse
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**CANNOT IMPORT
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**OUR LABOR MUST BE
 GIVEN PREFERENCE**
 Government's New Bill Will Regulate the
 Construction of Canadian Lines
 of Railway.

Ottawa, July 25.—Hon. Wm. A. Mackenzie
 introduced to-day in the House of Com-
 mons an alien labor bill. It provides
 against the importation of labor under
 contract for the purpose of employment. It is
 made an offence to import under con-
 tract. If there is a case where labor can-
 not be obtained in Canada, then applica-
 tion can be made to a judge for judicial
 permission to import for a purpose of
 the old statute required the permission
 of a judge to bring an action for viola-
 tion of the Alien Labor Act. This is
 done away with by the bill, and provi-
 sion is made to prevent the law being
 violated, which precludes the bringing of
 labor by advertisement. It is made a
 common offence under the bill to import
 aliens by fraudulent representations.
 The Italians brought to Montreal was
 a case in point.

Another section imports the spirit of the
 Crow's Nest Pass contract into the
 act. This will require the government
 to order railway lines to be constructed
 by British or Canadian labor, and when-
 ever possible by British contractors, or
 by construction companies incorporated
 under Dominion or provincial legislation,
 and of which a majority of the directors
 and the capital shall be British.

The amendment makes persons in-
 fringing the act liable for the cost of de-
 portation, and an obligation is put upon
 the ship bringing such persons out, know-
 ing them to be brought in contravention
 of the alien labor law.
 It is proposed to forbid landing of
 idlers, lunatics, paupers or persons liable
 to become a public charge, professional
 beggars or persons liable to become
 afflicted with loathsome or dangerous
 diseases, anarchists, prostitutes, convicts,
 or other than those convicted of "politi-
 cal offences not involving moral turpitude."
 The minister of labor is given power
 to deport. This was done before by the
 minister of justice.

Sir Frederick Borden has applied to
 the imperial authorities for an officer to
 fill the position of chief of staff of the
 Canadian militia, which is provided for
 under the new Canadian militia bill.
 Under the new bill there will be no gen-
 eral officer commanding. Instead there
 will be a militia council, and one of the
 most important positions on this council
 will be the chief of staff of the militia.
 It is understood that Sir Frederick
 would be well pleased if he could get
 Col. Lake, chief of staff of the 1st
 2nd army corps under Sir Evelyn Wood,
 to take the office.

Col. Lake was at one time Quarter-
 master-General in Canada, and has been
 on several occasions acting general officer
 commanding. His appointment to the
 chief of staff in the Canadian militia
 would be popular. Upon leaving Canada
 he was highly recommended by Sir
 Frederick to the secretary of state for
 war.

Mr. Justice Britton handed to Sir
 Wilfrid Laurier today his report on the
 Treadgold and other mining concessions
 in the Yukon.

The railway commission expects to
 leave for the coast on Monday. Hon. B.
 Prefontaine will leave for British Colum-
 bia about Wednesday next week.

SHIPWRECKED WHALERS.
 The Captain and Mates of the Barque
 President Have Reached New
 Bedford, Mass.

New Bedford, Mass., Aug. 1.—On
 board the Portuguese steamer Peninsular,
 which has arrived from Lisbon,
 were Capt. Enos and three mates of the
 whaling barque President, which was
 wrecked on the west coast of Africa on
 May 31st.

The President struck about midnight,
 somewhere in the vicinity of Port Alex-
 andra, according to the story told by
 Second Mate Barney. After about an hour
 had been smashed and another had
 reached shore. Mate Barney says there
 were ten men left on the sinking Presi-
 dent without any boat to leave in.
 These ten finally embarked on a raft, on
 which they floated about for six hours,
 before those who had previously reached
 shore were able to rescue them. A cask
 of bread came ashore, and a case of
 canned goods also, so that there was
 plenty of food, but the party was with-
 out water. They were 81 miles from
 Port Alexandra, and walked along the
 beach to that place, which they reached
 after three days' intense suffering. Be-
 ing without shoes their feet were cut by
 the shells on the beach, and were blistered
 by the sand. One man was bitten by a
 poison eel and died as the result of his
 wound. The captain's wife was one of
 the party.

PROF. CAMPBELL DEAD.
 Passed Away at Muskoka on Saturday
 —Had Been in Falling Health.

Toronto, Aug. 1.—The cause of the
 death of Rev. Prof. Campbell, which oc-
 curred at Muskoka on Saturday, was due
 to a clot of blood on the brain.
 Friends of the deceased say that he
 had not been himself since the last morn-
 ing of the general assembly in June, at
 which, owing to the appointment of Prof.
 Scrimgeur to the principality of Mc-
 Gill College, Prof. Campbell handed in
 his resignation, but his condition was not
 any way regarded as serious.
 Deceased leaves a widow and three
 sons. Two brothers, W. B. Campbell
 and T. Nelson Campbell, of Atlin, B. C.,
 and three sisters, also survive him.

THE WEEK'S OUTPUT.

Shipments From Rossland Camp
 Amounted to 6,540 Tons.

Rossland, July 30.—No incident of
 paramount interest occurred during the
 week in connection with Rossland's
 mining industry, but marked advances
 were made in several instances. At
 Cliffe mine No. 1 the quarry is now in
 full swing, the first rounds having been
 shipped on Thursday. The showing is excel-
 lent, and the quarry promises to yield
 a large tonnage of pay ore at a low
 cost. The company has made a contract
 for leasing the ore, and with the coming
 week it will commence shipping on a
 substantial basis. The Jumbo mine
 hauled the largest tonnage in its his-
 tory. It is expected that the property
 will soon be shipping a hundred tons
 daily.

At all concentrations rapid advances
 are being made. The smelters are also
 busy. The Ross smelter exhausted its
 reserves of ore about August 10th, and
 their policy thereafter is not authorita-
 rily stated, but it is expected that two
 furnaces will be kept running on the high
 grade ore now being shipped. Kootenay
 has completed a contract with the
 Northern smelter and suspends shipping
 to-night.

The past week's work:
 The shipments to:
 Le Roi, 1,500 tons; Centre Star, 1,800
 tons; Eagle, 1,230 tons; Peace (milled),
 120 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 320 tons; Le
 Roi No. 2 (milled), 300 tons; Spitice,
 400 tons; Kootenay, 350 tons; Jumbo, 460
 tons; Cliff, 30 tons; Valley-Portland
 (milled), 250 tons. Total, 6,540 tons;
 year to date, 206,933 tons.

**HON. SIDNEY FISHER
 AT THE CONVENTION**

**Minister of Agriculture Addresses the
 Teachers—Ontario's Fruit Crops
 Are Poor—Canadian News.**

Winnipeg, July 28.—Hon. Sidney
 Fisher, minister of agriculture, was one
 of the chief speakers at the Dominion
 teachers' convention to-day. Mr. Fisher
 said he believed that in no country in the
 world has so much good work done in a day
 than in Canada. He touched on the
 consolidated schools, pointing out some
 of the difficulties and the benefits. As
 the minister of agriculture, he was deeply
 interested in nature study. He did not
 look upon nature study and manual train-
 ing as a form of technical education, but
 rather as a development and a training
 of the faculties of the child. Another in-
 teresting feature of to-day's conven-
 tion was a paper on "Consolidation of Schools
 in Nova Scotia," prepared by A. H. Mac-
 Kay, I. L. B., superintendent of educa-
 tion for Nova Scotia.

Bank Clearings.
 The Winnipeg bank clearings for the
 week ending July 28th, was \$5,585,511.
 Corresponding week in 1903, \$3,934,147;
 corresponding week in 1902, \$3,569,290.

Poor Fruit Crop.
 Toronto, July 28.—In its August issue
 the Horticulturist will give the results
 of the reports from four hundred fruit
 growers throughout the province, show-
 ing a large falling off in the apple crop.
 The plum crop will be a total failure in
 many places, more particularly in the
 northern sections of the province, where
 many orchards were killed by the hard
 weather last winter. In general the crop
 will not be 50 per cent. of the last one.
 Peas also will be a light crop and
 peaches, too, will yield poorly.

Dundonald's Farewell.
 Montreal, July 28.—Lord Dundonald
 said farewell to Montreal to-day, at-
 tending a reception in his honor by the
 St. Andrew's society this afternoon, re-
 ceiving the Veterans' Association in the
 evening and afterwards attending a recep-
 tion by the Caledonian Society. From
 here he was attended by a large crowd
 to Place Viger station, where he took the
 train for Quebec. Despite the fact that
 it rained heavily all evening, the turnout
 was surprisingly large and the enthu-
 siasm wonderful in its intensity.

Electric Storm.
 A severe electrical storm passed over
 Western Ontario last night, doing con-
 siderable damage to property.

Dangerously Ill.
 Plantagenet, Ont., July 28.—Isidore
 Proulx, M. P. for Prescott, is danger-
 ously ill at his home here with bowel
 trouble. His constitution was greatly
 weakened by an operation a few months
 ago in which his leg had to be amputated
 for gangrene and the outcome is doubt-
 ful.

Drowning Accidents.
 Regina, July 28.—At Long lake, Assn.,
 to-day a canoe containing five young
 men of Regina upset, and Robert Jelly
 and Ernest Plat were drowned. Both
 were prominent in business circles in
 Regina.

John Smith and Frank Humphrey,
 both mechanics, of Brille, were drowned
 last night while bathing in the river near
 that town. They were not missed until
 the discovery of their clothes on the river
 bank this morning.

Factory Burned.
 Three Rivers, Que., July 28.—Girard
 & Gobin's coffin factory was completely
 destroyed by fire last night. The loss
 is between \$30,000 and \$40,000 with lit-
 tle insurance.

Rupture is Complete.
 Pope Says He Does Not Intend to In-
 fringe Upon the Concordat.

Paris, July 30.—Although no official
 announcement has yet been made it can
 be positively affirmed that the rupture
 between France and the Vatican is com-
 plete.
 The Holy See's lengthy reply to the
 French note, though most courteous,
 amounts to a polite statement that the
 Pope does not intend to infringe the
 stipulations of the concordat and will
 not withdraw the letters calling the
 Bishops of Dijon and Lava to Rome.

"I'm afraid you don't take steps to get
 him to school," said the Yarmouth magis-
 trate to a woman summoned to explain the
 non-attendance of her boy at school.
 "Steps," retorted the woman; "why, I often
 run all over the town after him."

Racing at Fair.
 About 40,000 people attended the
 Winnipeg exhibition to-day. The big
 event was the free-for-all race, which
 was won by Harry O. Harold; "H" was
 second, Democracy third. Best time,
 2:07. During the gentlemen's riding
 races at J. Amiens, former mayor of
 Winnipeg, fell from his horse and suf-
 fered a slight concussion of the brain.

Fire at Somerset.
 The town hall, Messer-Harris ware-
 house, the Somerset pharmacy, offices of
 the municipality and buildings occupied
 by Main Bros. harness makers; Allan,
 confectioner, and Richard, butcher, were
 totally destroyed this morning at Som-
 erset. The loss will be about \$40,000.
 Send Off at Quebec.

Quebec, July 29.—Lord Dundonald
 got a hearty send-off by the citizens of
 Quebec on the Allan liner Tunisian
 this afternoon. He was lunched by
 prominent citizens at noon at Chateau
 Frontenac.

**TRADE IS STEADY
 THROUGH CANADA**

**BROADSTREET'S REVIEW
 OF THE SITUATION**

Toronto and Somerset Visited by Fire
 —Teachers' Convention Closed—
 General News of Dominion.

Toronto, July 29.—Broadstreet's re-
 view says: In Montreal holiday dull-
 ness is being displayed in a good many
 departments of wholesale trade. Many
 travellers and the prospect are still
 for the fall, while quite up to the usual
 volume at this time, are not showing
 as much expansion as they will later
 on. The conditions of trade continue
 satisfactory and the prospects are still
 bright for the fall and winter business.
 Woolen goods are showing increasing
 firmness. Other staple lines are steady.
 There is a fair movement in dairy pro-
 ducts, with steadier markets. Crops
 are coming in nicely. The hay crop is
 heavy and the root crops are good.
 Country conditions are still a little
 slow.

Toronto wholesale business is showing
 some development. The firmness dis-
 played by woolen goods has stimulated
 the fall demand. The prices of staple
 manufactures continue firm and this is
 imparting confidence and tends to in-
 crease the business being done for the
 future. The demand for domestic wool
 continues very keen. Canadian millers
 are buying selected lots and sending
 them to England to be turned into
 cloth and reshipped to this country.
 At Quebec wholesale trade is quiet,
 and the holiday season is hav-
 ing an effect on retailers in the city.
 Remittances are still slow and an im-
 provement is not looked to until later
 in the season. Shoe manufacturers are
 fairly busy. Crop prospects are still
 encouraging.

At Victoria and Vancouver trade con-
 tinues to show some improvement. The
 demand for the fall and winter
 goods is not so keen as in the past.
 The island trading towns on the Mainland
 are taking a fair quantity
 of goods. The salmon run continues
 light. New England fishermen are suc-
 cessfully exploiting the halibut fish-
 eries on the coast and are making large
 shipments to the New England states.

At Winnipeg the opening of the Domi-
 nion exhibition gave a great impetus
 to wholesale trade this week, having
 attracted many buyers from the province
 and the territories, who have placed
 liberal orders for the fall and winter
 trade. Values of staple goods are fairly
 held. Crop reports are fairly good.
 Wheat cutting is likely to become
 a matter of some importance. The
 harvest will be a week or two weeks
 late in many sections.

Wholesale trade at Hamilton, as re-
 ported by Broadstreet's, is keeping up
 well for the whole season. The expan-
 sion in the demand is naturally
 not looked for. The orders for the fall
 are coming in nicely, and the outlook
 for a large volume of trade for the fall
 and winter is very promising. Crop
 conditions continue good. Large shipments
 are being made to the east.

London jobbing trade circles report a
 good movement in goods for the cur-
 rent season and the prospects point to
 further growth in this trade as the sea-
 son develops. The conditions of busi-
 ness are healthy and the wholesale
 trade looks for a large turnover for the
 last half of the year.
 There is a fair inquiry for all goods
 at Ottawa. The wholesale trade is busy
 making shipments and orders continue
 to come forward in fair volume as a
 result of the prosperous conditions
 of business at the country retail centres
 of the west. Values of staple goods are
 fair.

Loss by Fire.
 Fire this morning did damage to the
 extent of \$44,000 to the stock of Gro-
 ceries of Blain & Co., and E. P. Eck-
 ert, Scott street. The loss was cov-
 ered by insurance.

Fire this morning did \$100,000 damage
 to the wholesale grocery of Eby, Blain
 & Co.

Convention Closed.
 Winnipeg, July 29.—The Dominion
 Educational Association's convention
 closed to-day with the election of the fol-
 lowing officers: President, J. A. Miller,
 B.A., deputy minister of education for
 Ontario; vice-presidents, W. A. McIntyre,
 B.A., principal of Manitoba Normal
 school; secretary, Dr. Goggin. The
 president, vice-president and secretary
 were given power to appoint an assist-
 ant secretary. Treasurer, F. H. Scot-
 field, B.A., principal of Winnipeg Col-
 legiate Institute; directors, C. J. Bryan,
 B.A., Calgary; Miss Agnes Deane Cam-
 pbell, Victoria; Prof. Susan B.A., Tor-
 onto; Dr. J. M. Harper, Quebec; Supp.
 Brydges, St. Johns, N. B.; Principal E.
 J. Lay, Amherst, N. S.; Mr. J. Robert-
 son, B.A., Charlottetown; Rev. Lewis
 Drummond, St. Boniface; Rev. D. M.
 Gordon, Kingston; Chancellor Burwash,
 Toronto; Supervisor McKay, Halifax.

Assassins Will Recover.
 The recovery of Lego, alias Porozoff,
 the assassin of Von Plehwe, is practically
 certain. He is entirely unconscious, al-
 though suffering acute pain in conse-
 quence of the operation in extracting the
 splinters from his abdomen, face and
 arm. He admits that he conspired in
 planned crime, says he was animated
 by humanitarian motives, and does not
 express the slightest regret.

Accomplice Arrested.
 The captured of the accomplice of the
 murderer was effected under circum-
 stances showing that the conspirators
 pursued the plan followed at the as-
 sination of Alexander II.

The accomplice, who is now under ar-
 rest, stood near the Baltic door ready
 to throw a second bomb in case the as-
 sassin stationed half a mile higher up the

Quebec on the Allan liner Tunisian
 this afternoon. He was lunched by
 prominent citizens at noon at Chateau
 Frontenac.

Death of Author.
 Montreal, July 30.—A cable was re-
 ceived here this morning from Vallon-
 Bruce, July, of the death there of Wil-
 liam MacLennan, the well known Can-
 adian author. Mr. MacLennan had not
 been in good health for some time past
 and had been residing in Europe with
 his family. He was a second son of the
 late Hugh MacLennan.

Coming to Coast.
 General Manager Hayes, of the Grand
 Trunk, has a view to locating the
 Pacific terminus of the Grand Trunk
 Pacific.

The Montreal Presbytery this morn-
 ing gave Rev. Prof. Ross, of the Pres-
 byterian Theological College, leave to
 accept a call extended to him by the
 St. Andrew's church of London, Ont.
 Heen regret is felt in the college at the
 loss of the professor.

**THE CZAR OFFERED
 WHITE VACANT POST**
 Former Minister Would Be Given Title
 of Chancellor—British Comment
 on Situation.

London, July 26.—The failure of the
 reactionary system in Russia, of which
 the murdered minister of the interior
 was a typical representative, is the lead-
 ing theme taken up by the editorials in
 this morning's newspapers, which com-
 mence with horror on the latest political
 crime as a stain on the pages of Rus-
 sian history. Little surprise is felt at
 the funeral of a man who, although honest
 and this will mean, was regard-
 ed as the evil genius of his country. The
 editorials generally extend the utmost
 sympathy to the czar, who is surround-
 ed with difficulties both at home and
 abroad.

The Daily Telegraph says there is no
 mistaking the meaning of the blow. The
 red spectre has reappeared at an un-
 happy stage of Russian history, and the
 system of despotism is again threaten-
 ed at its heart by an enemy destined,
 sooner or later, to be more fatal than the
 enemy on the frontier. The wonder is
 that Von Plehwe has so long escaped
 his doom.

"It is a grim portent," says the Stand-
 ard, "and the best hope for Russia is
 that the warning may be understood and
 the opportunity taken for a change of
 mind and an altered policy in the high-
 est quarters."

Extended accounts of Von Plehwe's
 career accompany the descriptions of his
 assassination. It is alleged that he spent
 liberal orders for the fall and winter
 measures for his personal protection.
 This is probably exaggerated, but it is
 known that the expense of the secret
 guard was greatly augmented under his
 regime.

M. Witte Official Post.
 London, July 30.—The Daily Tele-
 graph's correspondent says that Emperor
 Nicholas sent a telegram to the president
 of the Russian council of ministers, M.
 Witte, asking his advice and offering him
 the post of minister of the interior and
 title of chancellor.

New York Sympathizers.
 New York, July 29.—Five thousand
 persons cheered themselves hoarse over
 the death of the Russian minister of
 the interior, Von Plehwe, and shouted
 praise for his assassin in Copper Union
 to-night. Many anarchists, who waved
 red banners, were present. At every
 touch of the drum thrives; there was
 a din that lasted several minutes and
 cries of "Lego, Lego, Lego." The
 mass meeting was held by the united
 Russian revolutionists to celebrate Von
 Plehwe's death, which they believe will
 mark a new era of liberty for their
 brethren in Russia.

King Edward's Message.
 London, July 29.—King Edward "has
 telegraphed" to Emperor Nicholas "his
 sympathy with his loss of his
 distinguished minister, Von Plehwe, and
 has received a very appreciative an-
 swer."

Were a Railroad Cap.
 The assassin walked up and down the
 street at the corner, whence he threw the
 bomb at least a quarter of an hour,
 awaiting M. Von Plehwe's carriage. He
 did not arouse the slightest suspicion on
 the part of several policemen who were
 almost alongside of him, because he wore
 an official railroad cap, a uniform, and
 any kind invariably inspires confidence
 in Russia. The murderer must have
 known M. Von Plehwe's carriage well,
 as he paid no attention to the passage of
 several other ministers who had preced-
 ed Von Plehwe in going to Peterhoff.

So soon as the victim's carriage ap-
 peared the assassin ran forward with the
 evident intention of throwing the bomb
 through the window. Von Plehwe must
 have seen him, and felt his coming down
 before the death-dealing carriage burst
 through the window.

The upper part of the battered rem-
 nants of the deceased minister's portu-
 lant, which was lying in front of his
 seat, was reduced to a pulp, and the
 lower part was completely riddled with
 the nails with which the bomb was
 stuffed.

COLLIERIES CLOSED.
 Sixty thousand Men Thrown Idle in
 Pennsylvania—Shortage of Cars.

Pottsville, Pa., Aug. 1.—The collieries
 in the Schuylkill region were to-day shut
 down with the exception of the Leigh
 Coal & Navigation Company, which
 operated its collieries in the Panther
 Creek valley. All the individual opera-
 tions along the Reading system were
 compelled to close down, as no cars will
 be furnished until August 5th. It is esti-
 mated that 80,000 men are idle.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.
 Vancouver, Aug. 1.—Dr. Robert Tel-
 ford, one of the proprietors of the Bur-
 row Sanitarium, of this city, was to-day
 formally charged with the murder of
 Miss Ethel Bowell, before Magistrate
 Williams. Bail was denied to-day, and
 the hearing will proceed to-morrow.

**MALASPINO'S CAVE
 ON GABRIOLA ISLAND**

TAXING "FUTURITIES."

There have been rumors that the farmers of the province are not in a particularly amiable frame of mind over the Assessment Act...

To the Hon. R. G. Tisler, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, Victoria, B. C.

Hon. Sir—As Minister of Finance, charged with carrying into effect the provisions of the Assessment Act...

To better define the position, allow me to state a few facts. The Assessment Act does not define any specific time when the assessment shall be made...

Form 8 of the Assessment Act requires the taxpayer to state the amount of all personal property owned in possession of or under his control at the date of the return.

Item 7 of Form 8 requires the value of "farm products on hand or stored, except such as may be necessary for feed to stock or for personal use."

Item 14 requires the value of money in bank, gold or silver coin, bank notes, deposit receipts, gold dust or bullion.

Your assessor for New Westminster district has for some time past been requesting information to ascertain with Form 8.

Under Item 7 your assessor has requested the gross market value of crops still growing and forming part of the real estate.

Your assessor stated his understanding was that he was to assess the crop which would be grown when the market was at a peak.

To prevent mistakes your assessor wrote to your department for instructions and was advised that the assessment must be in accordance with the law.

You are aware that there are a great many persons engaged in the business of growing small fruits. This is a highly important and worthy of encouragement.

If you take the case of a man producing hay or grain, or both, for market, you will find that on 100 acres of land, which with its improvements is valued at \$12,000, the farmer will require at least \$1,000 worth of stock and implements.

If you take the case of a man engaged in stock raising you will find that even if his expenses are smaller than those of the man engaged in raising hay or grain, his assessment on account of stock is much higher and the taxation imposed will work out in a similar ratio.

Compare the burden sought to be placed upon the agriculturist with those placed upon other classes and you will find it substantially as follows: A farmer is taxed 5.33 per cent. on his net income, with no deductions whatever.

which borrowed capital income is derived, if such interest is paid to the lender, or if such interest is paid to a company doing business in the province, and which pays taxes in the province, but not otherwise.

3. Losses and bad debts arising out of the business from which an income is derived, irrecoverable and actually written off during the year, but not otherwise.

4. For premiums of life insurance on the life of the taxpayer, if paid, not to exceed one-sixth of the annual income of the taxpayer. Receipts therefor to be produced to the assessor on demand.

5. For repairs actually expending during the year on real property from which an income is derived, but not otherwise.

6. For all incomes derived from shares, or dividends, from companies or corporations where such companies or corporations are assessed and taxed under the headings in this act of "Taxation on Mines and Minerals," and "Taxation of Companies."

7. On the real and personal property and income of such companies are assessed and taxed under this act, but not otherwise.

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One thing it beyond question. The opposition has been using Lord Dundonald for its own political purposes. It found him in the mood for a fall with the government at a time when it was at a loss for an effective campaign cry.

The leader of the party, knowing well that the position of the government was unassailable, stood afar off contemplating the battle. No doubt he thought he had found a very effective medium for the proclamation of the Tory election cry that the Liberals are disloyal.

Lord Dundonald calls upon the men of Canada "to keep their two hands upon the Union Jack." There is a subtle and insidious influence in this injunction. The men of Canada need no schoolmaster to teach them lessons in loyalty.

The state of mind of the Tory party may be estimated from the reports of what followed the recall of the late G. O. C. by the British government. The friend and counsellor of Lord Dundonald corporations on the same amount of gross income are required to pay \$7.50 annually.

Banks on the same amount of net income are required to pay \$37.00. Other corporations on the same amount of gross income are required to pay \$30 annually.

Thus, a farmer pays over four times as much as a bank, 24 times as much as a financier, lawyer or doctor, and 5 times as much as corporations, other than banks.

It is an old saying that "figures will not lie, but liars will figure." Sir, I am willing to leave it to the judgment of intelligent men engaged in the occupation of farming if these figures are not substantially correct.

You will probably say that as minister of finance you have to interpret the law so as to mitigate the requirements. If so, are you carrying out either the letter or spirit of the law in taxing as "produce on hand or stored" the value of the crop which would be grown when the market was at a peak?

Are you carrying out the provisions of the act when you omit to assess "money in bank or gold dust," as provided by Item 14 of Form 8?

Is it not rather the fact that your department prefers to strain the law to the breaking point in order to place an undue burden on the shoulders of the farmer and the small businessman?

Do you consider the effect which the construction being placed on the statute will have upon persons engaged in the industry of mixed farming or the ordinary grower of farm produce? I am sure you will agree with me that the situation is an intolerable one. In this respect I can give you some figures which I can assure you are approximately correct and fairly show the position of the average farmer.

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ALTOGETHER WILE.

Who! What a bad, bad, wicked, wicked, mean, mean, government it is, that government at Ottawa! We had supposed that the blackest sin that could be laid up against us was the failure to tell the Grand Trunk Pacific Company that under no circumstances must it approach the McBride government of British Columbia, and ask for a subsidy towards the construction of a road whose construction has already been provided for.

But we underrated the fruitfulness of the Tory imagination. The purity of the Grits at Ottawa is merely being exposed in chapters.

In the second chapter it is charged that the federal government has been guilty of a political crime of heinous character in refusing to make a grant of several hundred thousand dollars towards the cost of the New Westminster bridge.

There would seem to be an end of surprises at Ottawa if the principles were thoroughly established that governments are bound to rush to the assistance of such provincial administrations as that of McBride in all works undertaken purely for the purpose of securing political support.

Any mere Grit government that undertakes to satisfy the cravings of the gang that is in power in British Columbia at the present time would be under the necessity of distributing largesse from the federal treasury with a lavish hand.

Whatever government may be in power in the Dominion, Grit or Tory, it is bound to adhere strictly to the provisions of the terms of union. All the provinces have made claims for "better terms."

None was recognized unless the fact was clearly established that the federal authorities had not adhered to the compact in letter and in spirit. Mr. Hendry of New Westminster has pointed out in reply to the complaints of Conservative newspapers, that if a company had been formed for the nominal purpose of erecting the bridge a subsidy might have been secured from the Dominion. But the organs are not to be thrown off the scent by any such ploy as that.

The Colonialist retorts that Mr. Hendry was after a "graft." He is no philanthropist; neither can he be admitted to be patriotic enough to lend his name to the province without recompense. He had in view a possible ten per cent. "take-off," which on three hundred thousand dollars would surely have been worth while. There can be no doubt that "arguments" other than congratulatory ones, are being advanced by governments and on government, and may be presumed to speak with a full understanding on the subject. It is at present engaged in the congenial task of preparing the public mind for a "graft" of Brobdignagian proportions of which we shall doubtless hear more at a later date.

We do not know whether Mr. Hendry, the officer who presented the "graft" to the Legislature, will speak for those who are in the inner circles, leans in his policies to the Grit or the Tory side. Whatever his political faith may be, we have no doubt he appreciates the delicate manner in which the Colonialist has exposed his plot.

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR TRANSVAAL. The New York Post is a fine newspaper in all respects but that of temper. In that respect it is short and crabbed. Nearly everything that is wrong, especially if it is in Great Britain, our contemporary has always looked forward with apparent satisfaction to the prospect of trouble for the British government in South Africa. It has always contended that responsible government would have to be conceded in the course of time, and then the trouble would begin. It was convinced that the agitator Jameson would not last long as Premier of the Cape, but he seems to retain the confidence of the Legislature, and there has been no trouble since he was called into the councils of the Governor. The advisers of the Post, we fear, are not always well informed. They seem for the most part to be people who look forward to the decline and fall of everything British. Some one told the Post that the Imperial government could not long withhold self-government from the Transvaal, and that as soon as that was granted the trouble would begin. A Mr. Solomon takes strong exception to such statements as being false in substance, and likely to be mischievous in effects. He characterizes his raising of the racial question as a huge mistake. Speaking as an English Afrikaner, he emphatically denies the existence of racial differences in the Transvaal on the part of the Dutch or among the majority of the English; but he adds that the Dutch, who are now Britishers, are within their rights in forming a Dutch party, and are entitled, equally with the English, to govern the country. He declares also that if Dutchmen controlled the affairs of the Transvaal, they would prove as loyal and honorable as the English themselves. Mr. Solomon believes that the English will remain a minority for many years, if not always. His opinion is that the British population will steadily decrease on account of the numbers of Englishmen leaving the country for lack of employment. He denies the right of recently imported fortune-hunters to dictate to national aspirations. His letter has created a sensation at Pretoria, and

is said to represent the opinions of a majority of both races. The most effective answer to the predictions of the Post is that the British government has already announced its purpose of granting representative government to the Transvaal.

In the cup of the Dominion government's iniquity yet full? It betrayed the McBride administration into the hands of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company in providing for the construction of a transcontinental railway. It was guilty of a crime against the people of the province in not contributing to the cost of the New Westminster bridge.

We suspect that work is going to be a heavy charge upon the finances of the province and that the blame for the same will be saddled upon the Dominion. Isn't the federal government to blame for the delay in the settlement of the Songhees reserve matter? The Colonialist on the other day in effect held Mr. Dumas responsible for the present status of that case, but we believe it did that without reflection and without its usual regard for the Laurier administration as a seagoing on which all the sins of the provincial government can be laid. Can't not the Dominion ministers be charged with retarding the summer session of the British Columbia Legislature, an event to which the provincial government looked forward as a triumph of promise of profits? There is the railway policy of the McBride government. Did not Laurier charge that too? Are there no other extravagances that we in our state of perfect irresponsibility can enter upon and charge the Dominion with niggardliness when it refuses to pay the bill? Why not throw a bridge across the inlet at Vancouver? There may not be such another opportunity for many years.

Let not any one suppose that all the hoodlums in the United States have evaded punishment for their crimes against the people. One of the notorious St. Louis gang is in jail yet. Not only is he in jail, he is in a dungeon after receiving forty lashes with the "cat" for insubordination. It is said Beresch has not been a model prisoner. Having been used to fine-wines, good cigars and the best of fare generally, he spurned the prison bill with scorn. That is said to be the reason why the lash was applied. But also let it be noted that Beresch arranged states evidence and gave the whole "graft" away. An informer is never popular even in prison. An example is evidently being made of Beresch.

We suspect it must have been some special bachelor who sent the Times the suggestion, that the suggestion that it was "worthy of publication" "Wives filled a double position in these days, declared Judge Edge in the Clerkenwell County Court, when a debtor stated that a house he had built was his wife's property. "They used to be simply domestic governors, but now they are the trade protectors of the husbands as well. Some day I suppose the legislators will wake up to the abominable frauds which wives are being constantly made the means of perpetrating."

Why do people ask other people questions which their common sense ought to tell them are embarrassing? A fellow at Nanaimo, B. C. F. Green if there would be a summer session of the Legislature. And again the minister was compelled to explain that the government had not yet determined upon its railway policy.

THE CROFTON HOTEL DESTROYED BY FIRE. M. J. Conlin's Hotel is Now No More—Burned Down in About an Hour.

The Crofton hotel, owned and conducted by M. J. Conlin, in the smelter town, was totally destroyed by fire early Friday morning. The blaze broke out in the kitchen, originating probably from an overloaded range, and soon the whole building was in flames. The fire was discovered by one of the guests, Mr. Young, of Ketchikan, who hurriedly woke Mr. Conlin and the others. Residents of the town hastened to help fight the flames, but they were handicapped by the lack of water and adequate facilities. The fire started about 1.30 o'clock, and in an hour the building and its contents were destroyed. Fortunately they managed to run a line of hose to the smelter and prevented the fire from spreading to the adjoining buildings.

By a stroke of luck the wind which had been blowing a stiff breeze from the southwest died down just before the fire started, and it is owing to this fact that the Osborne hotel, belonging to J. T. Pearce, on the other side of the road, was saved, but at one time the chances of saving it were not very great. Every one got out of the building in safety. The value of the building was \$10,000. The furniture, etc., was totally lost, except the safe, which was saved, but at one time the chances of saving it were not very great. Every one got out of the building in safety. The value of the building was \$10,000. The furniture, etc., was totally lost, except the safe, which was saved, but at one time the chances of saving it were not very great.

"30 PEOPLE BADLY BENT" have in effect used these words in speaking of the curative qualities of South American Rheumatic Cure—"My legs were crippled"—"My hands were distorted"—"My joints were swollen"—"My back was bent double"—"My pain was excruciating"—"Bedridden for years." "I only know that eleven of them are now back at home." "Good God!" cried the president, "we are lost, thirteen thousand of them have just landed."

DOCTORED NINE YEARS FOR TESTER—Mr. James Garton, merchant, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., writes: "For nine years I have been afflicted with a terrible ailment and have been treated by the best of the best. At last I have found a cure in Dr. Agnew's Ointment. It helped me from the first application, and now I am permanently cured." Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—135.

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LORD CHAS. BERESFORD. The Idol of the Lower Deck.

TEACHERS TO INVADE VICTORIA NEXT MONTH

Many Pedagogues Attending Winnipeg Convention Will Visit Coast Before Going East.

From 150 to 200 of the teachers attending the convention now in progress at Winnipeg are expected to visit Victoria next month. This is a direct result of the advertising of H. Outbert, while in that city several weeks ago. Learning of the cheap rates to be inaugurated from Manitoba to all Western points for the benefit of the teachers, he took steps to make known the manifold attractions of this city to the pleasure seeker. Copies of the illustrated booklet "Picturesque Victoria" and other literature was placed in charge of the secretary of the convention for distribution, and a large number of posters calling attention to "Special Teachers' excursion to Victoria and coast points" was placed in the most prominent positions throughout the convention building. The outcome of this, as already stated, is that several parties of Eastern and Manitoba pedagogues will spend a couple of weeks on the coast next month.

A much larger number of visitors, however, may be looked for next month from San Francisco as a result of the annual convention of the Knights Templar. Between 15,000 and 20,000 delegates are expected to come to the coast from all parts of America, and a great many will return East via Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. Already two parties of about 250 each are booked to pass through this city on their way from "Frisco." They will spend a couple of days here and, it is understood, steps will be taken to make their stay as pleasant as possible.

Mr. Herbert Outbert, as an illustration of the widespread advertising Victoria's attractions have been receiving, drew attention to an extract from a Toronto paper announcing the departure of a party of over one hundred tourists by special train for the St. Louis exposition. From there they intended making a tour of the Southern States, California, and returning East by British Columbia, spending several days in this city. This, Mr. Outbert contends, proves that the work of the local association has not been in vain, and that the capital of British Columbia is now considered a city to be included in pleasure trips of this kind.

Members of the executive of the society have decided to take some steps to direct some of the Eastern excursionists to the coast of British Columbia. The new route will be used by all through trains of heavy tonnage, while lighter freights and local passenger trains will continue to use the old route, which will still be kept up.

STEEL FACTORY DEAL. Purchase Made by Company of Exterior-Wire Plant.

New York, July 29.—It was announced today that the wire plant of the Trenton Iron Company has been purchased by the United States Steel Corporation. The price was in the form of 5 per cent. second mortgage bonds of the steel corporation. There are now of these about \$107,000,000 outstanding. The plant was founded by Cooper in 1847. The Trenton Company is capitalized at \$2,000,000, with about \$600,000 issued.

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SATIFACTORY PROGRESS.

Civic Improvements Are Being Well Advanced—The Rock Bay Roadway.

Should this fall be long and favorable for construction work it is possible that most of the permanent sidewalk improvements contemplated by the city council will be laid this year. The work is advancing in a very satisfactory manner.

Yates street from Blanchard to Cadboro Bay road, and Fort street from Blanchard to the Oak Bay junction on one side and from Blanchard to Stanley avenue on the other, has been receiving attention. King's road, between Yates street and Hillside avenue will probably be the next to be improved. There is, as previously reported, a long walk to be laid on the south side of Hillside avenue, reaching from Douglas to Fourth street. The new walk on King's road will extend only from Douglas to Second street.

By the abandonment of the 100-mile line section President J. J. Hill will secure a minimum grade for the Great Northern which he claims to be slightly less than that of any of the American transcontinental routes. The new route will be used by all through trains of heavy tonnage, while lighter freights and local passenger trains will continue to use the old route, which will still be kept up.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 29.—In sixty days the Great Northern railway will abandon 100 miles of its present main line in Montana in favor of a new route covering the same distance which strikes north from Columbia Falls to a junction with the Fernie, B. C. branch at Rockford, thence back again over the Fernie branch to the main line at Jennings. The existing main line will become a branch to all intents and purposes and fourteen prosperous main line towns—La Salle, Kalispell, Baffin, Selkirk, Athol, Marion, Haskell Park, Lacombe, Pleasant Valley, Lake View, Melbourne, Atlanta, Stirling and Fisher river—will be cut off from the principal channel of the through business.

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ANNUAL PICNIC HELD BY MERCHANTS OF VICTORIA

About Fifteen Hundred at Sidney—Some Winners.

It is conservatively estimated that 1,500 attended the Merchants' picnic held at Sidney, B. C., under the auspices of the Victoria City Band. Aided was a train service to the group.

On arriving at Sidney were larger than the anticipated. The lengthy has already appeared. It was found necessary to contend in the open air, and the sport was therefore presented in a very satisfactory manner.

For the third consecutive year the silver cup trophy permanently, when won in the month of August by any individual it is presented. The hands were valued at \$50, which was won by J. E. Bold & Sons.

Following is a list of the most important of the sports: Retail Drivers' Race, Herd, silver cup, by S. Clark, 1st; Mack flour, by Bookkeepers and Salt Water—1st, S. D. Gray, 2nd, B. Gray, quarter 1 lb. 806 Bay Co.

Sack Race, for married couples, by Mrs. A. J. McNeil, 1st; 2nd, Mrs. K. R. Ross; 3rd, Mrs. R. H. Wilson; 4th, Mrs. S. B. Clarke; 5th, Mrs. P. H. Hudson Bay Co.

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ANNUAL PICNIC HELD YESTERDAY

MERCHAN'S OUNING WAS GRAND SUCCESS

About Fifteen Hundred Spent the Day at Sidney—Some Prize Winners.

It is conservatively estimated that over 1,500 attended the Merchants' biggest picnic held at Sidney, Thursday afternoon...

The first event was a baseball match between teams selected from the wholesale and retail merchants...

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

Civic Improvements Are Being Well Advanced—The Rock Bay Roadway.

Should this fall be long and favorable for construction work it is possible that most of the permanent sidewalk improvements contemplated by the city council will be laid this year.

City Engineer Topp started this morning that the permanent works being building with all possible dispatch...

The B. C. Electric Railway Company will begin the laying of its permanent tracks across Rock Bay next Tuesday...

IMPROVED GRADE.

J. J. Hill Is Diverting the Main Traffic of the Great Northern.

St. Paul, Minn., July 29.—In sixty days the Great Northern railway will abandon 100 miles of its present main line in Montana...

The existing main line will become a branch to all intents and purposes and fourteen prosperous main line towns—Las Salle, Kalispell, Batavia, Sedon, Athens, Marion, Haskell, Pierce, Luceerne, Pleasant Valley, Lake View, Melbourne, Atlanta, Sterling and Fisher—will be cut off from the principal channel of the through business.

STEEL FACTORY DEAL.

Purchase Made by Company of Extensive Wire Plant.

New York, July 29.—It was announced today that the wire plant of the Trenton Iron Company has been purchased by the United States Steel Company.

The bamboo has been known to grow two feet in twenty-four hours.

MORE INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT THE NAVY

LOCAL LEAGUE WANTS I IN I BE SCHOOLS.

Deputation Explains Need of Stimulating Greater Interest on the Part of Younger Generation.

The states legislative edifice across the Bay has received a number of delegations during the past two days...

In the appeal taken by the Nelson & Fort Shepherd and Kaleo & Spokane railways against the assessment of its property, the assessment is set aside and the companies are to have the costs of appeal.

PIRE FRIDAY MORNING.

Roof Blaze on Toronto Street—Car Ran Over Hose.

A telephone alarm followed by another from box 123 called the fire department to a big blaze in the roof of Mrs. McConnell's house on Toronto street...

NEW SHORTHAND SYSTEM.

Large Number of Pupils Are Taking It Up in Victoria.

The 20th century shorthand has evidently come to Canada to stay, as is evidenced by its growth.

The pupils look upon the study as a pleasure, and yet what a profitable one it is being able to read what is written, taking the lessons at any time of the day...

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BETTER MAIL SERVICE.

Has Been Granted to Saanich District—Adulteration Act to Be Enforced Also.

Ralph Smith, M. P., has obtained, in answer to the wish of a number living in Saanich, an improved mail service to the district.

Ralph Smith, M. P., also interested himself in the petition of the Fruit Growers' Association, asking for the enforcement of the Adulteration Act.

Ralph Smith, Esq., M. P., House of Commons, Ottawa, has in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst., enclosing a resolution from the Fruit Growers' Association of British Columbia...

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Following are the names of the successful ones, together with their standing: First-Class Honors—Class one, Miss T. Pitts.

Second-Class Honors—Class two, Miss D. Few.

Miss Berriman and Miss A. M. Rawland. Junior Pianoforte.

First—Miss F. Spencer.

In theory, Miss F. Spencer was the only one who qualified.

Those who wrote at these examinations were the pupils of Mrs. Bridges and Miss S. H. Taylor.

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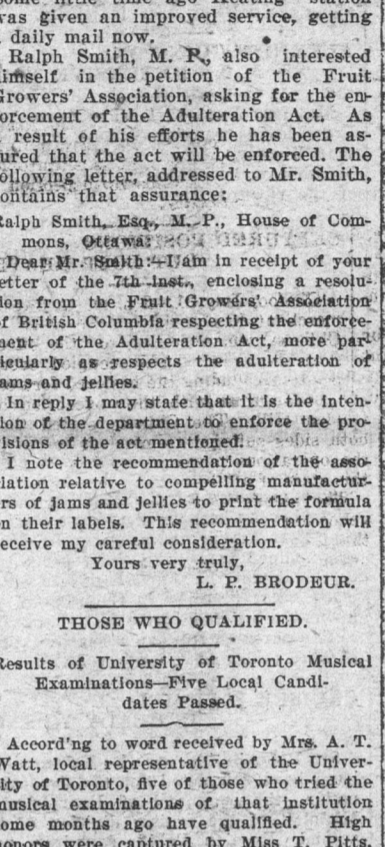
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TO TEST VALIDITY OF CITY MEASURE.

THE DEFINITION OF A TRANSIENT TRADER.

Prosecution Against A. Blyth in Police Court—Refused to Pay the License.

From Saturday's Daily.

Andrew Blyth refuses to consider himself a transient trader despite the somewhat remarkable definition of the term in the municipal revenue by-law...

But this is exactly what the action in the police court against him means.

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GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLD FOLKS.

Mr. Angus McMillan Tells Them Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Will Cure Their Stomach Troubles.

Of peculiar interest to the aged is the story of Mr. Angus McMillan, of Lagan P. O., Glenagarry Co., Ont.

Mr. Angus McMillan is now over 82 years of age and looks hearty enough to reach the 100 mark.

He attributes a large part of his splendid health to Dadd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

"I suffered from Dyspepsia for more than 20 years, but never met with anything to cure me till I commenced taking Dadd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

"I am in one sense a new man and have great reason to be thankful for all the good Dadd's Dyspepsia Tablets have done me."

Stomach troubles are one of the burdens the old folks have to bear.

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PROSPECTS OF THE LILLOOET ELECTION.

Denis Murphy Unhesitatingly Predicts the Victory of Mr. Stoddard.

Denis Murphy, formerly M. P. P. for West Yale, is in the city on legal business. He is looking as hale and hearty, if not more so, as in those strenuous days when he was wont to take part in some of those stirring verbal tournaments across the Bay.

Mr. Murphy has closely observed the conditions existing in Lillooet and has no hesitancy in predicting the election of Mr. Stoddard, the Liberal candidate.

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HORSES KILLED.

New York, July 28.—While attending the sale of the Ryan horse at Brighton Beach today, E. L. Graves was informed that lightning had struck the stable at Gravesend, killing Dinal Stoddard and a two-year-old Great Crossing.

The stable was destroyed, but the other horses were rescued after a hard fight.

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THE BATTLE LINE WAS FOURTEEN MILES LONG

Fierce Fighting in Progress Near Haicheng--Russians Made a Stand at Simoucheng and Claim to Retain All the Positions--General Keller Killed.

Chief, July 30.—Refugees who have just arrived from Port Arthur confirm the report that a general assault has been begun by the Japanese on the fortress. The Russians are sanguine that the Japanese could not capture the place. The Russians, according to the refugees, are still hoping for succor from Gen. Kourapatkin. They are unwilling to believe the reports of his defeat at Taitchekho.

Russians Without News From Fortress.

St. Petersburg, July 31.—In view of the rumors of the morning and fall of Port Arthur, the general staff authorized the Associated Press to declare positively that not a single position forming a part of the land defenses of Port Arthur has yet fallen into the enemy's hands and that the besiegers are nowhere nearer than eight or ten miles to the fortress. The general staff also declares that the bombardments reported July 26th and 27th were nothing more than preliminaries to an attempt to capture one of the outer positions, probably Lunyanta, to the east. If the Japanese succeed in taking one of these positions they will have to bring up siege guns under a tanking fire from the other positions and from cruisers sent out for this purpose. If this proves possible, then only will the Japanese be able to bombard the fortress itself and prepare for the final assault, and it is easy to see what a long, dangerous and difficult operation it is before them.

It was pointed out that no official news had been received from Port Arthur since the fall of the fortress. The news from the Japanese nothing from the front was likely to reach Mukden, and there is given out by Viceroy Alexieff. There is no official confirmation of the report of the sinking of a cruiser and a gunboat on July 28th.

URGES NO QUARTER FOR THE JAPANESE.

Moscow, July 30.—The Moscow Gazette urges Russian commanders in the Far East not to give any quarter to the Japanese in battle. "Our great Gen. Suvaroff," says the Gazette, "when he fought against the civilized French, often saved the lives of his own troops. This, which is not cruelty or barbarism, was a necessity, and now, necessity forces us in this war to half savage, hard-hearted nation, to adhere to Suvaroff's rule. "In our war with Japan we are like a man attacked by a viper. It is not enough to frighten it and then leave it to hide in the bush. It must be destroyed, and we must do this in the present instance, without considering whether English and a cosmopolitan plutocracy object. We cannot burden ourselves with thousands of Japanese prisoners, who will spread dysentery, typhus and cholera among the Russian people. "Perhaps, according to humanitarian principles, it would be very unwise to give no quarter, but nevertheless 'No quarter and no prisoners' should be our motto."

Russians Forced to Retreat to the North.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—The Emperor has received the following dispatch dated July 31st, from Kourapatkin: "Three Japanese armies have renewed offensive operations in the southern front. Our rear guard made an obstinate defence until the appearance of the enemy, and then gradually retired in the direction of Haicheng. "A detachment near Simoucheng (15 miles south of Haicheng) successfully withstood the enemy until 3 in the afternoon. The attack was directed against our right flank which, from its position at Kangwa Pass, inflicted great losses upon the Japanese. "The efforts of the Taksuan army and General Oku's army to-day are being mainly directed to cutting our communications between Simoucheng and Haicheng, their operations starting from a line traversing Yansunkun, Tu Pantze and Liao Haits. "On our eastern front the Japanese began the offensive this morning against our Ikhaven division, the enemy's main concentration being against its right flank, which was turned. "The enemy is acting on the offensive between Liao Yang and Saimatze, against our troops posted at Hunter Creek, and on Liao Yang. "Intelligence has been received of a considerable number of Japanese landing off Yankou under the cover of several warships. "A further dispatch from Gen. Kourapatkin to the Emperor, dated to-day, says: "All our positions were retained at Simoucheng when the fighting ceased at 6 p.m., July 31st, but I have not yet received reports of the operations on the extreme right flank. We retained all our positions held by our eastern force at Yung See pass. "Gen. Keller, commanding, had chosen this as the point from which to watch the fight. A battery near him was exposed to heavier fire than any other, and he was mortally wounded at 3 in the afternoon. He died 20 minutes later. "A decisive battle is in progress at Peng Huang Cheng and Siven range. The separate armies were launched from

the east above the two roads, while a third, under Gen. Oku, moved up east of the railway from Taitchekho to try to cut off the Russian force there from Haicheng. "If the latter move is successful this force will be crushed. "The keenest anxiety is felt at the war office for news of progress of the battle. The general staff seems dumfounded at the number of men the Japanese possess, and consequently Kourapatkin's statement that the Japs are landing another heavy force at the port of Newchwang adds to the solicitude.

SEVERE FIGHTING DURING THE RETREAT.

London, Aug. 1.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Newchwang in a dispatch dated July 31st, says that there has been heavy fighting for two days in the marshes south of Haicheng during the gradual retreat from Taitchekho of 5,000 Russians forming the rear guard. "At all points the Japanese employed artillery to the best advantage. Gen. Kourapatkin's situation will be desperate in the event of his defeat. "The keenest anxiety is felt at the war office for news of progress of the battle. The general staff seems dumfounded at the number of men the Japanese possess, and consequently Kourapatkin's statement that the Japs are landing another heavy force at the port of Newchwang adds to the solicitude.

SKIRMISHES ALONG ALL PARTS OF LINE.

Liao Yang, July 30.—(Delayed)—Artillery firing occurred at Simoucheng yesterday. It is reported that the Japanese are making a general advance in the direction of Haicheng and Taitchekho. The reports of skirmish fighting along all parts of the front are confirmed.

SOLDIERS ENGAGED IN HAND TO HAND FIGHT.

Haicheng, Aug. 1.—The Japanese on Saturday attacked the heights of Kangwa Pass, the right of the Russian position at Simoucheng. Under cover of darkness the Japanese infantry charged, but the Russian guns drove them back in confusion and silenced two of their batteries. The Russian losses were slight. "The latest reports contain all their fighting on the same day, there was a long distance artillery duel, which had little effect. A single shell burst over a Russian gun line and two wounding eleven gunners. "On Saturday night the Japanese made a desperate assault on Kangwa heights and were driven back to hand to hand fighting, but the Japanese were again repulsed, fleeing down the hill in confusion. The Japanese are said to have employed their customary trick while advancing of shouting in Russian, "Don't fire, we are friends."

ARTILLERY DUEL IN PROGRESS ALL DAY.

Haicheng, Aug. 1.—5.45 p.m.—An artillery duel raged all day along the whole front, but the Russians held their positions at Haicheng. "The heat is almost unbearable, and is doing much to frighten it and then leave it to hide in the bush. It must be destroyed, and we must do this in the present instance, without considering whether English and a cosmopolitan plutocracy object. We cannot burden ourselves with thousands of Japanese prisoners, who will spread dysentery, typhus and cholera among the Russian people. "Perhaps, according to humanitarian principles, it would be very unwise to give no quarter, but nevertheless 'No quarter and no prisoners' should be our motto."

JAPANESE MOVING FORWARD FROM ALL POINTS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—3.05 p.m.—At last the decisive battle of the campaign seems to be in progress. Having completed its enveloping movement of the Russian position, Gen. Kuroki has advanced his offensive from all points against Haicheng and Liao Yang. Fighting is ranging on both fronts, and still continues. "The latest reports contain nothing yet confirmatory of the rumors that General Kourapatkin has been defeated. "According to Kourapatkin's official dispatch to the Emperor, the battle began for the possession of important position at Simoucheng, which is located at the juncture of the Peng Huang Cheng and Siven roads. "Gen. Kourapatkin also reported the retirement of the Russian vanguard on the south front, a short distance in the direction of Haicheng. A fierce determined fighting near the village of San Cheng the Japanese apparently concentrated considerable forces on the Saimatze side of Liao Yang. "The Russian loss in the fighting on July 31st has not yet been reported, but the Russians held their positions."

VICTORY RESTED WITH JAPANESE ON SUNDAY.

Tianjing, Aug. 1.—6 p.m.—It is reported here that Gen. Kuroki was successful in the battle fought near Haicheng yesterday. Heavy firing was heard at Newchwang today. The Japanese have removed ten electric mines from the Liao river, and others have been located. A strong Japanese guard has been placed at the Tinkow railroad station. "A recent arrival from Port Arthur says the Japanese are five miles distant from the Russian stronghold, and are approaching to where are heavily mined. The Chinese remaining at Port Arthur are being well treated. Rice is scarce, but bread is said to be plentiful."

THE CONCESSION TO TREADGOLD

REPORT MADE BY MR. JUSTICE BRITTON Would Not Have Been a Bad Thing for Yukon Territory—Ottawa Notes.

Ottawa, Aug. 1.—The report of Mr. Justice Britton on the Treadgold and other mining concessions in the Yukon was presented to parliament by the Premier to-day. The judge says that there was a strong feeling in Dawson upon the creek against the concession, and it was with difficulty that a calm and judicial enquiry was held. It required courage for Mr. Justice Britton to give the report. Mr. Justice Britton first deals with the question of water. He says that only claims enjoying water facilities can be properly worked. Opponents of the Treadgold concession were agreed upon this point. Rich pay streaks of many claims were worked out, and with water they could be worked over. There was not a word, in the report says, criticising the mode Mr. Treadgold is getting these claims.

CRUISER DIVISION IS READY TO SAIL.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—Preparations have been completed for the departure of the Russian Pacific division, now lying off Kronstadt. The warships will weigh anchor and put to sea under full steam within three days. It is also believed that the auxiliary cruisers Don and Ural, which are probably the ships reported as having passed Cape Cod, will accompany the main fleet. "A current story of an attempt to blow up a building in Nevada yards by a man in a boat is untrue. It is only a distorted version of the fact that M. von Plehwe's assassin's accomplice, of which the true account was cable from here on July 29th."

WOUNDED RUSSIANS REACH LIAO YANG.

Liao Yang, July 30.—A Japanese officer who had been taken prisoner and a hundred wounded and disabled Russians have arrived here from the east, where they were taken to a concentration camp. "The Japanese column marching to ward Mukden." "The Russians have taken very few prisoners, probably because of their having fallen back from the battle field in each engagement, leaving the Japanese in possession of spoils. "The Russian command, under Gen. Kourapatkin, is retreating to the south, where it is reported there is continuous skirmish fighting east and south of Haicheng. "The most important news is that the Japanese are now expected to occur east of Liao Yang."

NO DETAIL OF THE SINKING OF STEAMER.

Vladivostok, July 31.—No details have been received here of the capture of the Vladivostok squadron, except the statement to the effect that a portion of the crew and passengers of the ship, together with the ship's production as evidence in courts, justify the claim that the ship was unmanageable, and therefore subject to condemnation. "The Japanese troops are now expected to occur east of Liao Yang."

COUNT KELLER KILLED BY FRAGMENT OF SHELL.

Mukden, Aug. 1.—It is reported that Lieut-General Keller has been killed east of Liao Yang. "Lieut-General Count Keller at the opening of the war was commandant of the second Siberian army division. He was 54 years old, and resigned the governorship of Kerloosoff to go to the front. "Keller took part in the three campaigns of the Russo-Turkish war. In 1887 he commanded the Imperial Russian corps of Imperial pages by which Keller came in contact with the members of the Imperial family with whom he was in great favor. "Gen. Keller was considered to be the possessor of cool judgment, and to be a fine strategist. Though a strict disciplinarian Keller was a kindly and careful officer and popular with his men. He wore a short gray beard, had keen blue eyes, and dressed in khaki. His only decoration was the cross of the military order of St. George. He sustained two reverses at the hands of the Japanese recently, July 4th and July 17th, being repulsed in attacks on the Motien Pass."

DIED FROM WOUNDS IN TWENTY MINUTES.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—The report of Lieut-General Keller's death is confirmed. He was killed July 20th while repelling the preliminary attack of General Kuroki's attack on the Tinkow Pass, 30 miles east of Liao Yang. The general was standing near a battery which was subjected to a terrific fire when a shell burst close to him, and he fell mortally wounded, dying 20 minutes later. Before the general expired he

CONNECTED WITH TERRORIST PLOT

PUBLIC SO REGARD YESTERDAY'S CRIME

St. Petersburg, July 29.—All the newspapers this morning agree that in the assassination of Minister of the Interior M. von Plehwe, a great personality has been taken off in the midst of his work. The news of the crime has caused a terrible shock, and she fell to the floor, fainting. Doctors revived her, and she went to the minister's villa on the islands of the N. V. Unravellin, & the Skien. "Later the correspondent of the Associated Press learned that while the identity and nationality of the assassin and his accomplice, apparently a Finn, but whose name is unknown, and who was arrested last night, are still definitely established, the police are making progress in unravelling the skin, they are amazed to find how far-reaching was the conspiracy. There is nothing yet, however, to prevent its connection with that of Gerschunin. The documents found show the existence of a probable plan to murder ministers, but the most remarkable feature is that it did not include the Emperor."

Russian Press Pays Tribute to Von Plehwe's Work—Little Revealed by Police.

St. Petersburg, July 29.—The police declare that they have not yet ascertained the names of the accomplices of Minister von Plehwe. He was arrested last night, and his accomplices will not speak. The police expect to have this fall the names of the accomplices invariably with their names not to answer questions. "Preparations have been completed for a grand funeral to-morrow. The Emperor will possibly attend the service at the church. "It has developed that the police for some time past have been aware that a party of fifteen anarchists had arrived in St. Petersburg. Several arrests were made, and the police in the interior, and the police had the assassin's house marked and a trap set for his arrest on the night of July 14th, but he did not return home. "The bomb which the accomplice dropped in the canal after the assassination of the minister was not exploded. It is foreign made, though it is believed to have been made in St. Petersburg. It is small and melon-shaped, and is successful in its action, as powerful as the bomb that killed Von Plehwe. "The assassin of Von Plehwe was examined by an investigating magistrate and refused to make any statement. He says he was actuated by humanitarian motives and does not express the slightest regret. "An account of the tragedy published this afternoon says that the assassin attempted to commit suicide by shooting. He had a revolver in his hand when seized. The operation on him was so successful that he is expected to recover in three weeks. "The murderer is still in the hospital. He is a handsome man of about 25 years of age, with blond hair and eyes. "The New Minister. "London, July 30.—A special dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Associated Press says that Count Ignatieff will succeed the late M. von Plehwe as minister of the interior."

Police Are Reformed.

The name of the assassin of the minister is not mentioned in the Bourse Gazette as Prof. This is not confirmed by the police, who if satisfied that they have established the identity of the murderer are carefully guarding the facts, perhaps to throw his accomplices off the scent. "Connecting the Crime. "The general public is disposed to regard the crime as intimately connected with the far-reaching terrorist plot revealed last summer by the arrest of Gerschunin, the Russian revolutionary agitator at Kiev, where he had gone to organize an attempt on the Emperor's life. St. Petersburg during the ceremony of the canonizing of St. Sergieff. The subsequent trial established the fact that Gerschunin was the head of a murderous conspiracy, similar to the nihilist conspiracies of the early nineties, the object of which was to create a reign of terror in Russia by killing ministers, Gerschunin and the Emperor himself. Gerschunin was a Jew, and was a former official of St. Petersburg. The perpetrators of the murders as well as the victims were to be selected by lot. "The series of crime resulting from this conspiracy began with the attempt on the life of Privy Councillor Pobodonsseff, chief procurator of the Holy Synod, who was fired at by a man named Logovskii, March 22nd, 1901. It included the killing of M. Bogdanovitch, ex-governor-general of Ufa, European Russia, who was assassinated May 19th, 1903; M. Hoppoloff, former minister of public instruction, who was shot by Peter Karpovitch, February 27th, 1901, and died March 15th of the same year from the effects of his wounds, and of Sipiaguine, M. von Plehwe's predecessor, assassinated April 19th, 1902, by a student named Balmahoff. There were also the attempts on Prince Gortschakoff, now governor-general of Finland, while governor of Kharloff, he being fired at four times on August 11th, 1902, and Prince Galitzin, governor-general in the Caucasus, who was stabbed by three natives in the outskirts of Tiflis, October 27th, 1903. "The more recent murders of Governor-General Borokoff, of Finland, who was shot by Eugene Schuppman June 6th, and died the following morning, and of Vice-Governor Andreiff, of Elnadepool, Trans-Caucasia, assassinated July 17th last, probably are not connected with this plot. The latter crime was probably due to private vengeance. "The arrest of Gerschunin was conducted under dramatic circumstances. He had been shadowed by the Austrian police, and upon his arrival at Kiev tried to escape by jumping from an electric car after an exciting chase. Gerschunin was captured, and he and two others, one of whom was a woman, were taken to court and sentenced to death. Gerschunin, convicted on criminal charges, was with the Emperor, with Von Plehwe's acquiescence, extended mercy and commuted the sentences to 15 years' imprisonment. Gerschunin is now serving his sentence in Schusselberg prison. "Temporary Successor. "St. Petersburg, July 29.—M. Dourou, the under secretary of posts and telegraphs, who has been appointed acting minister of the interior as the late M. von Plehwe's senior associate, may remain in charge of the bureau for some time, but he is not likely to be confirmed, as M. von Plehwe's successor does not represent the views in official quarters, where, perhaps, there exist jealousies caused by the strong personality of the former finance minister. "Madame Plehwe Arrived. "Madame Plehwe, widow of the de-

THE BOSTONIAN ARE ON THE POPULAR COMPANY STRANDED

Creditors Are Hot After Jersey—Career of a Organization.

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cessed statesman, arrived here this morning. She is broken down, but calm. She drove to the official residence of the minister. Friends tried to persuade the widow not to look at the remains of her husband, but she could not resist the impulse. The sight of the body caused her a terrible shock, and she fell to the floor. Doctors revived her, and she went to the minister's villa on the islands of the N. V.

"THE BOSTONIANS" ARE ON THE ROCKS

POPULAR COMPANY STRANDED IN EAST Creditors Are Hot After Them in New Jersey—Career of a Historic Organization.

Most Victorians will remember "The Bostonians," one of the oldest and most widely-known theatrical aggregations on the road. They played here twice to large audiences, and became quite popular in Victoria. "The Bostonians" are now on the rocks; they are stranded in New Jersey.

They are on the point of dissolution, and the news has sent a wave of regret over theatrical circles. Strangely enough, "The Queen of Laughter" proved the death knell of the famous old band of singers which will pass into operatic history as unique in its season to supersede the failure there is said to be a plan to disband the company and reorganize it without Barnabee and Macdonald, the only ones left of the original group who made the Bostonians famous.

The gossip of theatrical circles declares that Bruniere and Charlton will gather a new company next season, to supersede the present organization which, for lack of funds, has gone to pieces in Atlantic City.

The chorus has not been paid, and demands are demanding money there. Charles Beaton, who has been the manager for twenty years, declares he has been unable to secure any financial aid from the stockholders, and Barnabee, who went to New York from Atlantic City to secure funds, has met with failure. Emil Bruniere is now in New York. Several seasons ago the Bostonians accepted an opera by the young San Francisco musician.

The history of the oldest opera company in America, whose troupes are gathered for single seasons, has been unusual. Nearly 5000 singers and actors have been sung with Barnabee as the Sheriff of Nottingham. The company was organized from the remnants of the old Boston Ideal that sang light operas for five years ago, with Zella De Lencina as prima donna. Barnabee, W. H. Macdonald and Tom Karl founded the Bostonians in 1891. Jessie Bartlett Davis, Eugene Cowley and Frothingham were the members of the original troupe, which gave "Robin Hood" for the first time in that year.

The success was immense and season after season the Bostonians sang the Smith and De Koven opera, "The Crowded House." The members of the company were all identified with their parts, and general old Barnabee was always warmly welcomed.

Barnabee is one of the best loved members of the theatrical profession and his present misfortune has aroused much sympathy. Last October when he celebrated his seventieth birthday, the veteran comedian was given a reception at the Academy of Music in New York. Joseph Jefferson, the other veteran of American comedy, presented him with a loving cup, and several hundred members of the dramatic profession gathered to do him honor.

DISTINGUISHED HUNTER.

Frederick Courtney Selous, Noted Explorer, Has Gone North on Princess Beatrice.

Frederick Courtney Selous, one of the most noted hunters and explorers of modern times, has gone north on the Princess Beatrice en route to Dawson. He will there join J. D. Fryer and party and proceed up the Stewart river in search of moose, caribou and Arctic sheep.

This is Mr. Selous's first visit to the Canadian Rockies, though he visited Canada in 1897, and again in 1898. In 1897, accompanied by his wife, he attended the meeting of the British association in Toronto. Before returning home he and Mrs. Selous visited the American Rockies, camping out for four months at an altitude of 10,500 feet.

Mr. Selous was born in London in 1851 and educated at Bruce Castle, Tottenham. He has been awarded the Gold Medal and the Wieselbach. He has been awarded by the Geographical Society the Cuthbert Peel grant, the Back premium, and the founders' medals, and also elected a corresponding member by the Zoological Society. After his return to England, after the Mashonaland expedition, he again went out to Africa to take part in the expedition of the Cape of Good Hope.

At Vancouver on Friday Coroner McKinnon examined an inquest on the body of Miss Hattie Bowell, whose remains were exhibited on Thursday. After the jury had viewed the remains, an adjournment was taken till the afternoon, a post-mortem being made in the interval by Drs. Poole, Senkler and Keith.

On Saturday evening the jury returned the following verdict: "We, the jury, find that the deceased, Hattie Bowell, came to her death as the result of an abortion performed by Dr. Robert Telford, and we consider that those responsible for advising a young girl, such as deceased was, to submit to such an operation, are deserving of the severest censure."

At Friday's session, Dr. Robert Telford had explained the nature of the operation performed on the deceased, and also gave particulars of the "fake" operation for appendicitis, which he performed when Miss Bowell first entered the Burrard Sanitarium. When the inquiry was resumed yesterday morning, Dr. Telford was again called to the stand for cross-examination.

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Worn thin? No! Washed thin! That's so when common soap is used.

SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES EXPENSE

Ask for the Octagon Bar. An unusually large crowd attended the cricket match played between Victoria and Vancouver teams on Saturday at the Jubilee hospital grounds. The match proved the most exciting ever witnessed in this city, the local men winning out by the small margin of two runs, aided by the greatest enthusiasm. The result throughout the game was uncertain and the contest progressed, spectators exchanged different opinions as to the chances of the respective teams.

Dr. Monro further testified that he was called to the Burrard Sanitarium the night before Miss Bowell died. He did not think death was due to uraemic poisoning, as stated by Dr. Telford.

In cross-examination, Dr. Monro said that on the morning of Miss Bowell's funeral, Dr. McEwan, of the City hospital, had told him that McEwan had approached him with a view to getting him to operate on Miss Bowell for abortion some months before, and had met with a refusal.

"In reply to further questioning, the witness said that he had not cared to telephone directly to the Sanitarium to acquire about Miss Bowell, because he had no professional dealings there.

"George McEwan said he had driven to Miss Bowell's funeral with Colonel Worsnop, Mr. J. E. Miller and Mr. Powell. On the return, Mr. Powell said he had received a telegram from McEwan, saying he would be here on Wednesday or Thursday. Mr. Powell asked witness to meet him at the wharf and tell him that he (Mr. Powell) advised him to leave the hospital because he did not wish to have much to say to him, and left. He had not seen McEwan since, but heard he was in Victoria.

"Dr. Keith testified to the post-mortem examination of the body of Miss Bowell, which was held on Thursday. He did not think it likely that the lacerations found on the person of the deceased could have been self-inflicted.

"Dr. E. McKinnon said that he had been called in with Dr. Monro the night before Miss Bowell died. He had examined the lacerations, and did not think they could have been caused by a sharp instrument. He considered that Dr. McKinnon was perfectly right in advising an operation.

VICTORIA WON EXCITING MATCH

VANCOUVER CRICKETERS DEFEATED ON SATURDAY

The Local Players Secured Victory by Two Runs—The Lawn Tennis Tournament.

An unusually large crowd attended the cricket match played between Victoria and Vancouver teams on Saturday at the Jubilee hospital grounds. The match proved the most exciting ever witnessed in this city, the local men winning out by the small margin of two runs, aided by the greatest enthusiasm. The result throughout the game was uncertain and the contest progressed, spectators exchanged different opinions as to the chances of the respective teams.

It was ideal weather, and at 10 o'clock the morning Victoria, having won the match, went to bat. A rough home team played a good game, finding the scores were nothing unusual. Appreciating the fact that they were pitted against one of the strongest progress of the coast, they batted carefully, hitting confidently with the ball was "off," and blocking the more dangerous. "Undoubtedly the feature of this portion of the match was the batting of the local men, who only made 44 runs—a score which does not compare favorably with its average record so far this summer—his style was greatly admired by all old cricketers.

"The Vancouver senior lacrosse executive has decided to send a challenge east to play for the Minto cup, and if the challenge is accepted the boys hope to bring the trophy home and drink out of it," says Vancouver Leader. The secretary of the Vancouver club will write, enclosing the challenge just as soon as President A. E. Sockling has awarded the Vancouver team the championship of the province, which it has been decided by the B. C. A. to do.

"The jury answered to their names, and signed the verdict in the following order: Charles E. Sedall (foreman), William Braid, H. T. Lockyer, R. Stewart, P. MacNaughton, A. E. Lees.

"The jury and the spectators then slowly left the court, but Dr. Telford with his brother George, who had never seen him, and somewhat of an air of mystery and expectation seemed to hang over the crowd.

"Shortly afterwards Dr. Telford was taken in custody by Detective Mulhern and went quietly with him to the police station. He was there formally committed to two charges. The first charge was that he did cause to be taken a woman known as Gertrude to procure abortion. The second charge was that he conspired with David McEwan to procure abortion.

"After Dr. Telford's arrest, many friends came to see him at the police station, with offers of sympathy and assistance. Many offers were made to raise bail, but considering the serious nature of the charges, Magistrate Williams firmly refused to grant it, so that in the meantime Dr. Telford must spend his time in jail.

for two wickets. The York brothers ran up 113 of these, and when stumps were drawn they were still at their places. Haslam having been completely there is no doubt that it would have resulted in a large score.

At West Point yesterday afternoon the Vancouver and Garrison teams contested a game which resulted in a victory for the visiting aggregation by 88 runs in the first inning. One of the features of the match was the bowling on both sides. J. A. Wright and W. A. Crossfield, who bowled for Vancouver, did particularly good work; while Capt. Wright and Gr. Byrne punished the victors considerably. The best individual score was that of made by G. E. Walton for Vancouver. For the Garrison the highest score was 63, which was run up by Sapper Baker. Only one full run was played, the Garrison going in a second time, but only scoring 28 runs for 8 wickets before stumps were drawn.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Includes names like G. E. Walton, Sapper Baker, J. A. Wright, W. A. Crossfield, etc.

A match in progress this afternoon between the Vancouver and Naval teams at the Canton grounds. Play commenced at 2 o'clock, and the game is expected to last until evening.

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WIDEAWAKE VICTORIOUS. The yacht Wideawake, with Miss Ethel Hodson at the helm, won the ladies' yacht race held on Saturday afternoon, under the auspices of the Vancouver Yacht Club.

THE RIFLE.

D. R. A. PROGRAMME.

The annual meet of the Dominion Rifle Association, which is to be held at Ottawa towards the end of next month, promises to be most successful. Members of the B. C. R. A. who have qualified to shoot in this tournament will be interested by the amount of money that has been offered for prizes. It totals no less than \$9,188, there being twenty-five matches included in the programme.

Table with 2 columns: Match Name, Amount. Includes matches like The Tyro match, The Bankers' match, etc.

THE SHOOTING AT OLIVER POINT ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON WAS REMARKABLE FOR ONE THING—THE HIGHEST SCORE ON THE RANGE THIS SEASON BEING PUT ON BY Q. M. SERGT. CLARKE, R. E. HIS SCORE WAS: 200 YARDS, 32; 300 YARDS, 35; AND 600 YARDS, 32-90.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Score. Includes names like Q. M. S. Clarke, R. E., Mr. A. R. Langley, etc.

THE FOURTH OF THE SERIES OF VICTORIA CLUB RACES WILL TAKE PLACE TO-MORROW AFTERNOON ON A COURSE STARTING AT PEARLINE ROCK TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF MACAULAY POINT, FROM THE BEACH AT PEARLINE ROCK.

TWO INVITATIONS. Invitations have been received by the Victoria Yacht Club to send representatives to regattas to be held at Bellingham, Wash., and Astoria, Ore., on the 24th, 25th and 26th of August.

INTERESTING RACES. An interesting contest took place on Saturday, the occasion being the fourth of the series of Victoria Yacht Club races. The start, which was made from a point off Pearline Rock, all the competing boats crossed the line together.

THE TURF.

MR. JENNINGS TALKS.

Some excitement has been raised among members of the Victoria Driving Club as a result of the placing of \$50 by J. H. Greer, backing Tye Maid, owned by Dr. A. Upper, against Baby Boy, owned by A. E. Wade; Marcus, owned by J. B. Jennings; Nellie S., owned by Willie Symons, and Victoria Girl, owned by Dr. Humbler. On Friday the Times received a call from Mr. Jennings in regard to the matter. Mr. Jennings announces that he is quite willing to back his horse to the extent required, and suggests that the race be held during the exhibition, owners to drive, best three heats in five. This arrangement, Mr. Jennings claims, will give all contestants the opportunity to make necessary preparations.

Continuing, he said: "Mr. Greer has stated that there has been talk between the gentlemen mentioned this summer. This is not so, but as he has deposited the money and issued an open challenge, I am quite willing to meet, not only Baby Roy, Nellie S., Victoria Girl and Tye Maid, but Mr. Greer's own horse, Redora. As the latter was entered in one of the races at the last exhibition there should not be any objection on his part to allow my proposal. None of the others, I may say, will put anything in the way of Redora competing."

STANDING OF CLUBS. The Pacific Coast League pennant for the first half of the season's series having been captured by Tacoma, the second competition for highest honors has commenced. So far the Seattle and Tacoma teams are equal, both having captured three games. It is interesting to note in this connection that if the Seattle series is successful in winning the second series they will have to play off with Tacoma for the coast championship.

Table with 2 columns: Club Name, Wins, Losses, P. C. Includes Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, etc.

BATTING AVERAGES. A number of first-class games are promised Victoria fans in the near future. Local officials are in communication with several of the fastest amateur teams of Washington, and a match will be arranged for this Saturday afternoon. The following are in the meantime the boys are not neglecting practice.

A glance at the batting averages show that the Seattle boys hold the leading place with .404, followed by Schwegler and P. McConnell with .400 and .375 respectively. The appended figures do not include the records made in outside matches or in the game with the Vancouver amateur team:

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Batting Average. Includes names like McManis, Schwegler, P. McConnell, etc.

St. Petersburg, July 30.—The police declare that they have not yet ascertained the name of the assassin of Interior Minister Von Plehve. He persistently refuses to answer questions, and his accomplices will not speak. The police expect this, as the anarchist proclamation invariably warn their comrades not to answer questions.

Preparations have been completed for a grand funeral to-morrow. The Emperor will possibly attend the service at the church in St. Petersburg.

It has developed that the police for some time past have been aware that a plot was maturing against the Czar. He had advised one of the ministers that a party of fifteen anarchists had arrived in St. Petersburg. Several of these actually made several days before the assassination of the minister of the interior, and the police had the assassin's house marked and set for his arrest on the night of July 14th, but he did not return home.

The assassin of Von Plehve was examined by an investigating magistrate to-day and refused to make any statement. He says he was animated by humanitarian motives and does not express the slightest regret.

An account of the tragedy published this afternoon says that the assassin attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself with a revolver in his hand when seized. The operation on him was so successful that he is expected to recover in three weeks.

The murderer is still in the hospital. He is a handsome man of about 25 years of age, with blonde, regular features.

St. Petersburg, July 30.—A special dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Agency Russa says that Count Trepoff will succeed the late M. Von Plehve as minister of the interior.

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ATTRACTIONS OF COAST NEAR CITY

POINTS OF INTEREST ON A SHORT CRUISE

The Pilot Launch Colby Took Party Yesterday to Many Historic Spots.

Many points of interest on the coast between this city and Sooke harbor, where now is located one of the traps on the southern part of this island, were viewed Thursday from the cozy cabins of the launch Colby by a party who were the guests of Pilots Cox, Babington, Thompson and Buckman on an excursion replete with scenic and historic attractions.

The Colby left the inner harbor about 9 o'clock, and was back shortly before 6. A jovial company were aboard, and no dull moment passed from the hour of departure until the time of arrival. To none is the coast line more familiar than to those veterans of the sea. There is an experience dates back to the period when the Beaver enjoyed the distinction of being among the very few steam craft on this coast.

Captain Thompson was a pilot in '79. There are two others of his time still living, namely Capt. Hetherington of Vancouver, and Capt. Christensen. In early days they had no comfortable launch in which to meet the incoming ships, and the pilots districts were small now known, were all one. Competition was keen, and the risks and hardships many and great. Creeping down the straits the pilot sloop would anchor in some little cove and not infrequently, some navigator thinking he could steal a march on the other, would leave his vessel early in the morning before the day-light revealed the shoreline, and pulling down the straits in an open boat would meet the first inbound ship and take her to Victoria or Vancouver.

Thompson was six years in this kind of life before the districts were divided as they are now. He has seen times when for six days he never took off his clothes. It is not surprising that such men as Captains Thompson, Buckman, Babington and Cox are thoroughly conversant with the history of the coast.

An interesting book might be compiled out of all that was pointed out on the voyage of the Colby. Places visited on Sunday's excursion in the same order were: Moses, North Saanich, where the event took place. The bride entered leaning on the arm of her brother-in-law, Mr. Moses, by whom she was given away. Miss Margaret Jones, of Victoria, was bridesmaid, and Mr. Henry William Muench, brother of the bride, acted as officiant.

Many were the congratulations given Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury by their friends and well-wishers. The bride wore a dainty dress of cream silk, trimmed with orange blossoms. The happy couple left amid showers of rice, en route for Victoria and other points, to spend their honeymoon, and intend making their future home in Chemainus.

LADYSMITH NEWS.
(Special Correspondence of the Times.)
A cigar factory is about to be opened here very shortly. There is no doubt it will be a success and add to the other industries of the city.

WHEN SICKNESS COMES
Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Should Be Used to Bring Back Health.

Sickness comes sooner or later in the life of everyone. Many who for years have enjoyed the best of health, at one time find themselves ill with some of the numerous ills of life.

Most of the ills result from an impoverished condition of the blood; thus the blood is enriched the illness will disappear. That is why Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have had a greater success than any other medicine in the world in curing sick and ailing people.

These pills actually make new, rich, red blood, strengthen every nerve in the body, and in this way make people well and strong. Mr. Alphonse Lacossiere, a well known young farmer of St. Leon, Que., proves the truth of these statements. He says: "About a year ago my blood gradually became impoverished. I was weak, nervous, and generally run down. Then suddenly my trouble was aggravated by pains in my kidneys and bladder, and day by day I grew so much worse that finally I was unable to do without bed. I consulted doctors, but any relief I obtained from their medicine was only temporary and I began to despair of ever being well again.

One day I read an article in a newspaper praising Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I decided to try them. I got six boxes, and before they were all gone my condition was greatly improved. I knew I had at last found a medicine to cure me. I continued the use of the pills for a while longer, and every symptom of my trouble was gone. I now feel strong, enjoy the best of health. I think so much of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I never without them in the house."

It is because Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make new blood that they cure such diseases as anaemia, rheumatism, kidney and liver troubles, neuralgia, indigestion and all other ailments due to poor blood. But you must get the genuine bearing the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around every box or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Feeder Bay was the next water entered. Here is an inlet about seven miles from Victoria for which the pilots have often to run on a dark starry night, such as at times are experienced, when the land can

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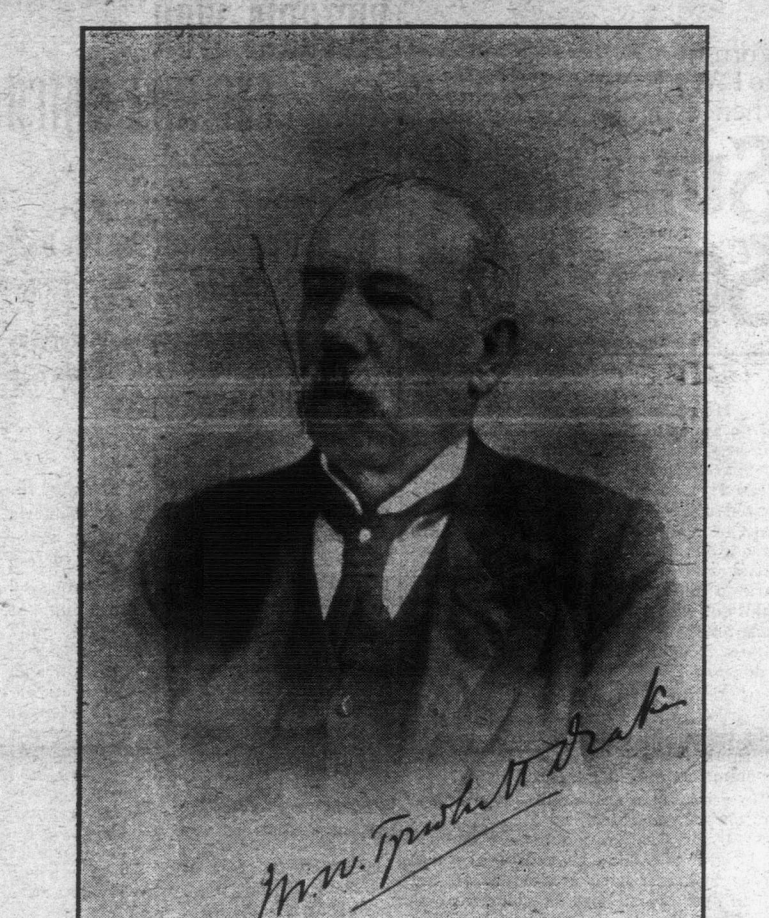
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HIS LORDSHIP MR. JUSTICE DRAKE, Who Has Just Been Given Six Months' Leave of Absence.

Mr. Justice Drake, who is now enjoying a well-earned vacation, is one of the most highly esteemed judges that ever occupied a Supreme court bench in British Columbia. This regard is shared by all classes, who bear witness to the unflinching courage with which he has treated them not only since the time of his elevation to the bench, but in the days when he practiced his profession. He is descended from a very old English family, the Tyrwhitts, of Shardifre, Bucks. He was born at King's Walls, Hertfordshire, England, in 1830, and was educated at the Charterhouse school, one of the most noted institutions in the Old Country. He was admitted as a solicitor and attorney-at-law in the Superior courts in England in 1851. He came to British Columbia in 1863, and settled in Victoria. He took an active part in public affairs shortly after his arrival, was elected a member of the Legislative Council of British Columbia, as representative for Victoria in 1868, and set in the House till 1870. He was a member of the Board of Education for British Columbia from 1872 to 1878. In 1877 he was elected Mayor of Victoria, and at the general election of 1882 he was returned to the Legislative Assembly to represent Victoria. He was president of the Executive Council from January 29th, 1882, to October, 1884. Mr. Drake was called to the bar of British Columbia in 1877, was appointed a Queen's Counsel on the 21st of September, 1883, and was elevated to the bench in 1880. He is a member of the British Columbia Law Society.

TRAMWAY TO CHILLIWACK.

Proposal Made to Connect That Place With New Westminster.

The Chilliwack council is considering a proposition which, if carried to a successful conclusion, will mean great things for the development of the garden of the Fraser as well as for the entire Lower Mainland, says the New Westminster Columbian. For several weeks the municipal council of Chilliwack has been considering the offer which is made by R. Burt Morgan, formerly of Rossland, and which would include a tramway running from Chilliwack to New Westminster. The franchise is for 25 years, with the privilege of a renewal for another 25. It is to be exclusive for 20 years. The terms offered to the council are most liberal, and will probably result in the construction of the proposed works and tram line.

As was mentioned above, the matter has been under consideration of the Chilliwack council for some time, and upon it they have had the legal advice of R. L. Reid, of New Westminster, who has made several trips up the river in connection with the project. At last night's meeting of the municipal council the whole matter was shaped, and it will be subjected to the vote of the ratepayers for final decision on the 6th of August.

MILITARY EXPERTS GIVE VIEWS ON WAR

Report Received by Militia Department From Capt. Thacker, Who is at Tokio.

Ottawa, July 29.—Capt. Thacker, R. C.A., who was sent by the Militia Department to the Japanese war to study it from an educational standpoint, is still in Tokio. At any rate he was there on June 29, when he wrote to the Department. Capt. Thacker gave a narrative of the war from March 1st to May 1st, 1904, in a report to the Militia Department. He is a person who has seen the war from the Japanese side, and his report is of great value to the Militia Department.

Referring to the Japanese dispositions on the Yalu river prior to the battle of April 24th, Japanese officers say that everyone wanted to get a look at the enemy, but the sentries were always cancelled, and no one was allowed to mount high ground. The advance guard had planted screens on the high ground south of Yalu, as many points were exposed to the view of the enemy, who could have seen the approach if this had not been done. On the other hand there were always plenty of the enemy watching. Attempts were made to draw the Japanese out, but this failed. It appears that the enemy did not even know that the Japanese had howitz batteries on account of the ingenious way they were worked.

Capt. Thacker says that secrecy is the principal feature of all the proceedings in the Japanese system. Nothing is heard until the matter is accomplished. The Japanese troops at Tokio took place in secret.

According to Gen. Ian Hamilton, if 2,000 Boers had held the line at the Yalu they would have inflicted upon the Japanese a considerably greater loss than the Japanese did suffer and would have then got away with the loss of a few wagons or at most 200 men. This is not to minimize the enterprise, courage, endurance and mobility of the Japanese troops, but rather to show that the Russians, though courageous, must have been slow, stupid and badly handled as well as probably over-confident.

Gen. Hamilton thinks the Russians' Liao position had some resemblance to that of the Boers. Russians did not seem to have any of the deceptions which were employed by the Japanese with great effect.

Gen. Sir William Nicholson says that the Japanese concur with the conventional powers in believing that a close formation that adopted in South Africa is essential to proper cohesion and due momentum at the time of impact. The losses may be heavier, but the result is likely to be more decisive.

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Rev. W. H. Main, pastor of the Baptist Emmanuel Church, Buffalo, gives strong testimony for and in a firm belief in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. He has tried many kinds of remedies without avail. "After using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I was benefited at once" are his words. It is a wonderful remedy and will relieve any form of head pain in ten minutes and eradicate catarrh.

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Just fancy! It is a British Tory government that has recalled Dundas. What will the men in Canada, who were so loyal to the King and more loyal than Balfour say to that?

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MINERAL ACT. (Form F.)
NOTICE.
CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.
Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date of publication of this notice the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands:—
Lot I. Commencing at a stake planted about half a mile south from the entrance of Warner Bay, Seymour Inlet, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains to place of commencement, containing in all about 640 acres.
WILLIAM M'NEILL.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."
In the Matter of Lot 1,615, Victoria City, and in the Matter of an Application on Behalf of Charles William Rigter, Thomson for an Indefeasible Title to Same.
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above land to Charles William Rigter, Thomson on the 24th day of September, 1904, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by a person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in any part thereof.
S. I. WOODTON, Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 21st June, 1904.

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BRUNO FRIEDRICH.

MINERAL ACT. NOTICE.
Hampton Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division of Victoria District. Where located: On Mount Brenton. Take notice that J. C. A. Clarke, Esq., Miner's Certificate No. 189,214, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.
Dated this 6th day of June, A. D. 1904.
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St. Petersburg, Aug. 2.—The greatest anxiety of the general staff of the Russian army is the Japanese right column has cut off General Kuropatkin. The correspondent of the Times with Gen. Kuropatkin says that a dispatch dated July 29, which has been received to-day which indicates that the Japanese right column has cut off General Kuropatkin.

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