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THE COMMISSIONERS WERE ENTERTAINED AT A BANQUET BY THE PILGRIMS' CLUB

Speeches by Lord Lansdowne, Lord Alverstone, Mr. Aylesworth and Secretary Root.

London, Oct. 15.—The dinner given by the Pilgrims' Club to the Alaska boundary commission at the Clarence hotel to-night proved to be the most notable assemblage of Englishmen, Americans and Canadians ever brought together in London.

Mr. Aylesworth, the Canadian commissioner, answering in the name of Canada, asked if Lord Lansdowne had not lost sight of the fact that several thousands of the best Anglo-Saxons live in Canada.

MANY BOATS FOUNDERED. St. Johns, Nfld., Oct. 17.—A hurricane which, raging caused immense damage to fishing property. Many boats have foundered.

MURDERER LYNCHED. Taken From Jail at Hamilton, Mont., and Hanged From Pole.

Hamilton, Mont., Oct. 14.—W. Jackson, the murderer of Fannie Buck, a six-year-old boy, was taken from the county jail here late last night by a mob and lynched.

LIBERAL LEADER. Says Party Will Oppose Protection, Root and Branch.

London, Oct. 15.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman addressed a meeting at Bolton to-night. He said that Mr. Chamberlain's case was completely vitiated by his figures.

RUSSIA'S OFFER. Willing to Relinquish Claims in Korea, But Will Not Evacuate Manchuria.

RAILWAY OUTRAGES. Three Men Suspected of Being Concerned in Dynamite Explosions Are Under Arrest.

SULTAN'S METHODS. Afraid of Negotiating With Bulgaria's Representative, He Turned Him Over to Minister.

BY ARMS IF NECESSARY. The Czar Cables Admiral Alexieff to Maintain Russia's Prestige.

PERISHED IN FIRE. Four Men Burned to Death at Washington—Heavy Property Loss.

Aberdeen, Wash., Oct. 16.—Fire here caused four deaths and destroyed property valued approximately at one million dollars.

STORY DENIED. Belfast, Ireland, Oct. 17.—Harland & Wolfe, the well known shipbuilding firm, has issued a denial of the statement made by the London Daily Telegraph yesterday, that they had signed a contract to take all the iron and steel they require from the United States Steel Corporation.

SIXTEEN KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 17.—A railroad accident occurred at Washington crossing, on the Bellevue division of the Pennsylvania railroad about eight miles above Trenton, at a busy hour this morning.

THE LIBERAL-UNIONISTS. Plea for Reorganized Party Under the Leadership of the Duke of Devonshire.

Britain Sending Warships. London, Oct. 16.—Great Britain is sending two additional warships to China.

Russians at Port Arthur. Chofu, China, Oct. 16.—The Russian administrator of Newchwang, Manchuria, proposes to organize a municipal council with two British and American members.

Waiting Official Decision. Ottawa, Oct. 17.—The Canadian government has not yet received any formal notification of the proposed decision in the Alaskan boundary case.

THE DECISION OF THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION

Canada Gets the Portland Canal, But the Tribunal Grants All the Other American Contentions.

London, Oct. 17.—The Alaska boundary commission has verbally agreed to grant all the American contentions except that for the Portland canal, which goes to Canada.

which was clearly our own, and which until very lately the United States never claimed. Until the official decision is received the ministers won't say anything.

NEWS AT WASHINGTON. Washington, Oct. 17.—The Associated Press bulletin from London announcing the decision of the Alaskan boundary commission was the first intimation received by the department that the commission had reached an agreement.

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# WARNING AGAINST CUTTING OF WAGES

## GOMPERS'S SPEECH AT CIVIC FEDERATION

### Senator Hanna Makes a Plea for Harmony Between the Employer and Employee.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—A warning to capital against cutting wages if financial depression comes, by President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, and a plea for harmony between employer and toiler, by Senator Hanna, were made at the closing session of the National Civic Federation conference today. It was in reply to one of the numerous speakers who took occasion to tell the possible financial reaction, in event of any unreasonable demands on the employers, that Mr. Gompers spoke of the harm that would follow any attempt to lower wages. Labor leaders and employers believe that the conference has done much in bringing the wage-earner and the capitalist together for more harmonious relations.

After the business session of the day, a banquet was held, at which Senator Hanna, President Gompers, members of the Federation, leading business and labor leaders were present.

Samuel Gompers expressed his appreciation of the work of the Federalists, and desired to correct misapprehension, which, he said, was in the minds of some regarding organized labor, and clear false notions, so that labor and capital could go along hand in hand in the production of the wealth of the country. Mr. Gompers argued against views of freedom and individualism expressed by some at the conference. He declared labor would oppose any effort to cut wages, but such effort would accentuate the industrial crisis. Successful arbitration, Mr. Gompers said, was impracticable, unless the employers are strong and workmen organized and prepared to defend the stand they may take. Labor wanted improved conditions, he said, and wanted to get more and more out of the great production of the wealth of the world to which the workmen are contributors. He spoke against the "open" shop, and compared the "closed" shop to various organizations, social and professional, which, he said, persons objectionable to them Mr. Gompers took exception to the coupling of the term "boycott" and "bludgeon" as weapons of labor, which were mentioned by a speaker yesterday.

"The bludgeon is the weapon of trade unionism," he said. He also claimed that often the agents of some employers' association were found at work among striking workmen creating discord, trouble and violence, for which labor had to bear the brunt.

"Boycott? Of course, we boycott," he said, and then said: "People in other walks of life are boycotted, socially and financially. We'd propose to stand with our friends, help our friends in preference to those who have always their hands raised against us."

Frederick Driscoll, the representative of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, presented facts concerning arbitration of labor disputes, and a statement of trade relations with the International Typographical Union. He added that the old principle of force with its sad history, should be relegated to the past.

D. J. Hayes, of Philadelphia, president of the Glass, Pot, and Blowers' Association of the United States and Canada; Daniel J. Keef, of Detroit, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, and Frederick N. Judson, of St. Louis, former president of the National Bar Association, followed, the latter maintaining that industrial peace was not possible without industrial justice.

Senator Hanna, in closing the session of the conference, expressed satisfaction regarding it as successful, and said it showed the public was becoming interested in the work. "The experimental stage between employer and employee had passed, and it was now only a matter of progress, in which the aid of the public was requested."

## THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE

Liberals Claim He and Followers Will Fall in Line With Free Traders.

London, Oct. 17.—The Duke of Devonshire's adhesion to the Free Food League is regarded as greatly strengthening the free trade party.

## MURDERER'S CONFESSION

Says He Killed Seven Persons on Black-foot Indian Reserve—Accident to Gun Saved Others.

Browning, Mont., Oct. 16.—James Little Plume has confessed to the murder of seven persons killed last Sunday on the Blackfoot Indian reservation. This confession was made before United States Commissioner Arthur J. Moore, the seven killed was the wife of Little Plume. His intention, he said, was to kill four more, but a shell stuck in his rifle, rendering it useless. He then cut a gash in his own throat and arm.

Seven physicians are attached to the personal retinue of the czar.

## PEACE OR WAR?

Hostilities Likely If Russia and Japan Do Not Reach Settlement by December.

Berlin, Oct. 17.—Negotiations between Japan and Russia, according to the view of the situation taken there, are not making progress. Neither side, it appears from official information, will yield on the essential propositions. Japan persists in requiring an agreement that shall now delimit their respective spheres of supremacy and Japan declines to consent to the general policy of "drift" under which Russian influence will, the Japanese say, steadily bear upon Korea and edge forward until the time is ripe for acquiring a part of, or the whole country, Japan, as previously cabled from here, is determined, according to the German view, to have a settlement with Russia by a treaty whereby both must abstain, or else hostilities will begin. This is the danger in plain view. The Japanese command seemingly makes no particular concealment from the diplomatic corps at Pekin of this attitude, one impression being that Japan is merely displaying a diplomatic game and another that the government is in deadly earnest.

Russia's ever increasing military preparation in the Far East and Japan's nearly completed equipments are regarded as pointing either to settlement before December or to hostilities. Japan's orders for war material were placed in Germany a year ago, and since then have all been delivered or are about. Four Japanese officers, who have been buying war materials and supervising artillery construction at Essen, left Germany for Japan last Tuesday.

## The Negotiations

Yokohama, Oct. 17.—A cabinet minister says that Japan, agreeing with the Marquis Ito, while stipulating the integrity of Korean and Chinese sovereignty, makes no point of the military evacuation of Manchuria, this simplifying the negotiations. The bellicose rumors continuing, but reports of Russian aggression in Korea are proving to have been exaggerated.

## Exodus Continues

London, Oct. 17.—A dispatch to Reuters' company from Tokio says: "The Japanese workmen at the Port Arthur docks have been discharged. The exodus from other parts of Manchuria continues. There is no excitement at Tokio. People have confidence in the government's policy."

## DOVIE'S HOSTS

Headed by Advance Agent, Four Hundred and Twenty Zionites Reached New York Today.

New York, Oct. 16.—Under the direction of an advance agent, four hundred and twenty members of John Alexander Dowie's Zion hosts arrived from Chicago on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad early today to participate in the crusade for the regeneration of New York. The leaders at the battery and boarded cars for Madison Square gardens. When the car started the crowd began singing a hymn and a large crowd of curious spectators gathered round the house that contains the headquarters.

Men in the Dowie party distributed tracts among them. The men were dressed in a uniform resembling that worn by the United States infantry. The women did not wear uniforms. The crowd around the ferry house grew so large that it blocked the street and the police drove the spectators back to the curb. One of the features of the party was a junior choir of about fifty little boys.

## BILLIARD MATCH

Paris, Oct. 16.—Jacob Schaefer, the billiard champion, now in Paris, will accept George Sutton's challenge to play for the championship at eighteen-inch billiard line, one shot in. The match will probably be played in Chicago in December.

## FOUR KILLED IN WRACK

Lindsay, Kas., Oct. 16.—Four harvest hands were killed in the wreck of a Missouri Pacific train near Lindsay, Kansas, yesterday. Spreading rails was the cause.

## THE CAMEL'S HEAD

"Where the camel's head goes his body follows," says an Oriental proverb. It's the same way with disease. A small opening will give it an entrance and when disease once has a place in the body a large number of ills may follow it.

The opening for disease is often found in a weak stomach. When the stomach is "weak" the body also becomes weakened by lack of nutrition, and disease attacks the heart, liver, lungs, kidneys and other organs.

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# RUSSIA WILL NOT PROVOKE CONFLICT

## AMBASSADOR'S VIEWS ON EASTERN QUESTION

### Says Interests in Manchuria Must Be Safeguarded—Foreign Minister Favors Amicable Settlement.

London, Oct. 19.—Cabling from Tien Tsin, the correspondent of the Standard says the Chinese governor of Shan Si province reports that General Tung Fu Siang is attacking the Russians in Mongolia. The correspondent explains that this possibly refers to some interference with Russian surveying parties on the Urga-Kalgan railway line.

In a dispatch from St. Petersburg, the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that Count Lamsdorf, the Russian foreign minister, is strongly in favor of an amicable settlement with Japan. The correspondent says also that Count Lamsdorf, whose influence over the czar is extremely slight, emphasizes the danger of external complications and the success of the United States to profit by a favorable opportunity to insist upon the fulfillment of Russia's pledges respecting Manchuria.

## Cossacks to Occupy Town

St. Petersburg, Oct. 18.—A telegram from Port Arthur says that the town of Bodont, on the Sungacha river, Manchuria, has been occupied by Cossacks, and that a detachment of Cossacks has been sent to occupy it.

## Ambassador's Views

Paris, Oct. 19.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador to the United States, has been interviewed on the Far Eastern question. The ambassador says that the danger of a conflict, which was real a few days back, now seems to have been averted, and if a conflict came it would not be provoked by Russia. Count Cassini said:

"Our rights in Manchuria are undeniable. We made the country, which until quite recently was a mere haunt for bandits. We now have a vigilant police there, and moreover, we have built the railroad. This does not mean we intend to annex Manchuria, but having incurred enormous expenditures and possessing immense interests where we insist that those be safeguarded, and we expect to realize our legitimate benefits. The powers understand this so well that none, except possibly Japan, seriously contemplated insisting that the evacuation be effected on October 31. Russia cannot evict Manchuria before obtaining the guarantee to which she has a right from China and all Europe, including even Great Britain, who recognize that her interests are united with those of Russia."

## THE BOUNDARY DECISION

Will Not Be Published Until To-morrow—The Commissioners Received by King Edward.

London, Oct. 19.—After a brief secret session this morning the Alaska boundary commissioners drove to Buckingham palace, where they were received by King Edward, who had previously been informed of the terms of the agreement reached by the tribunal.

The Alaskan decision will not be published until before to-morrow.

The King's reception of the commissioners was a very simple affair. His Majesty congratulated them on the conclusion of their labors, and was especially cordial in his remarks on the content of the decision. He said nice things about the United States. The award is now being cross-checked.

The commission will have one more meeting. It will be public, and will be held in the morning at the foreign office. At that time and place the arbitration agreement, which was verbally agreed upon Saturday and exclusively cabled to the Associated Press at the time, and which today has been confirmed, will be read.

The London Daily Telegraph commenting editorially on the Associated Press's exclusive announcement on Saturday of the arbitration award on the boundary arbitration says: "In ordinary circumstances no more importance would attach to such an announcement than would be accorded to the usual gossip current at the close of an inquiry of this sort, but the Associated Press has gained a well-earned reputation for the accuracy of its reports on international questions, which have their centre in London. It is, therefore, very probable that this particular statement is substantially correct. No official information is available, but there is confirmation of the report from other sources."

The commission was in session during the afternoon, and adjourned shortly after 3 o'clock to meet again to-morrow.

Senator Fairbanks interviewed.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 19.—Senator Charles W. Fairbanks, who was the chairman of the American contingent on the British and United States joint commission that met in 1898 in Quebec to take up the Alaskan boundary case, is well pleased with the decision of the arbitration commission. He is commenting on the decision, Senator Fairbanks said: "The decision of the Alaskan boundary commission is eminently satisfactory. It sustains substantially the American claim, and is essentially a complete justification of the position taken by the American members of the United States of the British joint commission which met in Quebec in 1898. The United States will now be permitted to hold all the territory in Alaska purchased from Russia without further dispute. Our title, which was never disputed until within the last few years since the gold discoveries, is now firmly established."

## THE FAITH CURE

Mother and Father of Little Girl Under Indictment For Manslaughter.

New York, Oct. 15.—As a result of the affirming of the appeal of the conviction of Luther Pierson, who was charged with depending on faith curists instead of calling a physician to attend a child, who it was, stricken with pneumonia. Judge Platt, at White Plains, will immediately decide the demurrers to indictments in the case of Mr. and Mrs. John Quimby and J. C. Lane.

They are accused of being responsible for the death of little Esther Quimby, an infirm child, by the laying on of hands to cure her when ill from diphtheria. Supt. Boyle and Detective McFerdige, who have charge of the work of running down the dynamites, are positive Gravelle is the ringleader of the outrage.

Chateau has broken out at Bethlehem. The town has been cordoned by troops. United States Secretary of Navy Moody has approved the estimates for the support of the fleet for the fiscal year 1904, which will amount to \$102,890,480 as against \$79,814,781 appropriated for the last year.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish—but won't wash clothes.

## ARCTIC EXPLORATION

Letter From Captain of Ship Which Carries Canadian Scientists and Squad of Police.

New York, Oct. 17.—A letter was received to-day from Simon W. Barrett, captain of the ship Neptune, which is conveying an expedition sent out under the auspices of the Canadian Geological Survey to undertake the exploration and ascertainment of Arctic territory. Besides the scientists, the party includes a squad of Canadian police and part of the purpose of the expedition is said to be the seeking of possible routes to the land north of the British territory, and to take formal possession as far north as possible, re-issuing British flag over lands heretofore looked upon as neutral.

The letter, dated Fort Burwell, North Labrador, September 1st, which brings the first news of the expedition since its departure from Halifax in August, follows:

"We are now at the extreme end of Labrador and on the morrow will leave for Cape Haven and Blacklead, in the Cumberland Gulf. We left Halifax on July 26th, 1904, and I expect to be in winter quarters by the 20th. I expect to connect with a New England steamer here about July 26th, 1904, with coal and supplies, after which I will proceed north along the Greenland coast, crossing over to Ellesmere Land, following the coast up Lancaster Sound, reaching the bay of Cambridge Bay, Hudson Bay to winter quarters, land the Governor and his party and lay in a harbor at the mouth of Hudson Straits as late as possible, returning home via St. Johns. We shall be back in the city of St. Johns, in August 15th, when she will be discharged, the contents of the stores in the ship and the house, material for which we had on deck. On leaving we had 600 tons Welsh and 30 tons anthracite coal."

READY IF REQUIRED. Russian Paper While Hoping For Peace Says Country is Prepared For War.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 17.—While expressing the hope of a peaceful issue in the Far Eastern crisis, the Novoe Vremya points out that if war breaks out between the powers, Russia is at the call of the czar and there can be no doubt regarding the ultimate result.

The Novoe Vremya asserts that the Japanese belief that Victor Alexieff represents the Russian war party is quite erroneous, adding: "While the victory has been given extensive administrative powers, it is only the executor of the orders of the czar in matters of foreign policy. One of the czar's chief aims, the maintenance of peace, is the fundamental basis of Russian policy in the Far East."

Naval Preparations. Paris, Oct. 17.—Although the officials do not take any official view of the Russo-Japanese situation, their latest advice indicate a renewal of its somewhat serious aspect. The Russian admiralty has prepared for a concentration of Russian ships in the Mediterranean station and at other ports. The reason for this is understood to be the presence of the Japanese warships in European ports. The exchange of diplomatic notes continues at Tokio without definite results. The Japanese press, which for a time was restrained by the government, has again adopted a belligerent attitude.

## MASSÉS BY PRIEST

Ruling by Judge in United States Court at Rochester.

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The most sweeping ruling that has been made by an American court concerning a matter of Roman Catholic belief since it was first made in the last year ago that a priest cannot be compelled to testify to the contents of the confessional, was handed down today by Surrogate Judge Geo. A. Benton.

The case is that of John S. Keenan, as administrator with will annexed of the estate of Rev. James P. Kiernan, Keenan put in a claim for \$5000 will be paid to Father Kiernan for masses by Daniel Lane. Mr. Lane died July 3rd, 1897, and Father Kiernan died May 13th, 1900. Judge Benton says: "It is not natural to suppose that the testator, making a bequest for such a purpose, would so distrust his legatees as to insist that the service should be performed before the money was paid."

The substance of the decision is that the performance of the masses by the priest, as directed by the legatees, is not upon the conscience of the legatee alone, and that the legacy rests in the priest, and passes to his legal representative, who is in a position to claim its fulfillment.

The case has no exact parallel in the history of the United States courts.

# DEATH PROBABLY DUE TO ACCIDENT

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GLORY WHALEN CASE

### Another Sad Shooting Fatality—Postmaster Robbed of Nearly Three Thousand Dollars.

Collingwood, Ont., Oct. 19.—It is reported that information of a very important nature has developed in connection with the Glory Whalen case during the past few days, which leads to the belief that the child was killed, not by traps, as has been generally supposed, but by some person living in town, and that death was not due to murder, but to accident.

Killed by Accident. Exeter, Ont., Oct. 19.—John Smith, of Scotland, was accidentally shot and killed on Saturday by Silas Stanlake who, after shooting a rabbit, was about to remove the remaining cartridges. One of the locks being defective the hammer went down and the gun discharged, the contents entering Smith's abdomen. Smith had come through a thicket unscathed by Stanlake.

Fell to Death. Guelph, Ont., Oct. 19.—John Stein, seventy years old, was found dead in Kennedy's quarry yesterday. He had gone over the embankment and fell on his head, crushing his skull.

Found Drowned. Orillia, Ont., Oct. 19.—The body of Hiram Haight, Victoria road, was found in eight feet of water alongside the town wharf yesterday, where it had apparently lain for five or ten days. A post mortem examination will be held.

Daring Robbery. Halifax, Oct. 19.—The boldest highway robbery known in Eastern Canada was committed on Wednesday night, when, without striking a blow or using violence, a man snatched from the hands of the postmaster at Port Grenville, a seaport town on the Bay of Fundy, a package containing \$2,700, which was to have paid the miners of the Colonial Copper Company at Cape D'Or.

All Money Taken. St. Andrew's, N. B., Oct. 19.—The Bank of Nova Scotia at this place was burglarized late on Saturday night or early on Sunday morning, the safe being completely wrecked and all the money taken. What the amount was is not yet known, but it is thought it will run into thousands. Horse blankets and other heavy wrappers were swathed about the safe to drown the noise. A neighboring blacksmith shop was entered and tools taken, and a C. P. R. handcar is missing.

Rescued Safely. Montreal, Oct. 19.—Fire yesterday morning did over \$5,000 damage to the Ladies' Benevolent Institution on Berthelet street. There were 129 children and eighteen old women in the building when the fire broke out, but the matron, with rare presence of mind, succeeded in getting them all out safely.

Appointed to Queen's. Kingston, Oct. 19.—Dr. J. C. Connell, of Kingston, has been appointed dean of the medical faculty of Queen's.

Ceased Publication. Quebec, Oct. 14.—The Daily Mercury, established in 1805 and purchased about a year ago by Messrs. Tarte, has ceased publication. In Saturday's edition the proprietors notified their subscribers that they have ceased publication as they believe it could not be made a paying proposition.

Conservatives Confer. Hon. R. L. Borden and Mr. Monk, M. P., arrived yesterday, and will meet the leaders of the Conservative party to-day.

RAILWAY OUTRAGES. Man Believed to Be Ringleader of the Dynamites Is Now in Custody.

Helena, Mont., Oct. 19.—Isaac Gravelle has been brought here by a posse of Northern Pacific detectives and lodged in jail on the charge of being connected with the dynamite outrages on the Northern Pacific.

Last night while a watchman was patrolling the track about 15 miles west of here he ran across a man digging under the rail. When the man saw he was discovered he ran away, and the watchman fired twice, but missed. Yesterday morning at 7 o'clock Capt. Keown and two other took the trail of the man from the railroad track, followed it twenty miles into the mountains, and finally captured the man at his cabin. He was armed with a rifle and a revolver. He said his name was Plumber, but he proved to be Isaac Gravelle, an ex-convict, released from the penitentiary in July. He is the person the detectives have been hunting for three weeks, his picture having been identified as that of the man who was seen at a haystack near Townsend, where fifty pounds of dynamite was found in the haystack.

Supt. Boyle and Detective McFerdige, who have charge of the work of running down the dynamites, are positive Gravelle is the ringleader of the outrage.

CHAMPION AND CARGO OF LIME DESTROYED. Caught Fire Crossing the Gulf Yesterday—Bound for Naval Yard, Esquimaut.

Nanaimo, Oct. 19.—Steamer Champion, Capt. Westerland, which arrived at Ladysmith yesterday, was totally destroyed there by fire. The vessel was loaded with twelve hundred barrels of lime consigned to the Esquimaut wharf. She had a rough trip across the Gulf. Water got to the lime causing it to heat. By the time the vessel reached Ladysmith the condition was very serious. An attempt was made to discharge the cargo, but in vain, water of course being useless to meet the difficulty. The heat set the woodwork on fire, and the blazing vessel was run on the beach. The spectacle of the steamer burning last night was very imposing, and attracted a big crowd of spectators. The remnant of the bulk lies in ten feet of water at high tide, but it is not known if the engines are worth saving. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

The Champion is well known to Victoria shipping men. She belongs to Champion & White, of Vancouver, and was a small flat-bottomed freighter, something after the type of the Oscar and Selkirk of this port. She is being towed back to Esquimaut, where she will be burnt to pieces at Blubber Bay, Texas Island.

THE COOTE CASE. Defendant in Civil Suit Scored by the Chief Justice.

Vancouver, Oct. 19.—Saturday's jury brought in a verdict acquitting Josiah Coote of perjury in the famous land case. To-day Chief Justice Hunter handed down judgment in the civil suit of Borland vs. Coote, and his judgment is practically an opposite to the decision of the jury. Chief Justice Hunter finds that the deal must be carried out as refused by Coote, and adds: "I am not only satisfied that Coote frequently committed perjury in giving his evidence, but that he also fraudulently attempted to foist off on the plaintiff a property not in contemplation, and which he did not own."

PAPAL SECRETARY OF STATE. Marg. Merry del Val Appointed to Office by the Pope.

Rome, Oct. 19.—Mgr. Merry del Val, whom His Holiness Pius X. has appointed Papal Secretary of State, is a native of Spain, but was educated in England, and still belongs nominally to the diocese of Westminster. He has been a resident of Rome for many years. He was sent as a special envoy to the coronation of King Edward VII. in New York. A passenger who discovered a number of men were killed and many were injured. Fifteen minutes after the accident nine of the bodies had been recovered and five of the injured had been accounted for.

Wireless telegraph was successfully used in tracing lost baggage on the last trip of the Red Line Finland, from New York. A passenger who discovered some time after the steamer's departure that he left some baggage behind on the dock, communicated with the officials at the pier through the Marconi station at Babylon, L. I., and in 20 minutes received a reply that the baggage had been found and would be forwarded by next steamer.

It is a custom in the Belgian parliament, when a member is making a long speech, for him to be supplied with brandy as he elapses before the expense of the government.

## WHITTAKER WRIGHT CASE.

The Recorder Advised Grand Jury to Return True Bill Against Company Promoter.

London, Oct. 19.—The recorder in charging the grand jury at the Old Bailey to-day advised finding a true bill against Whittaker Wright, the company promoter, who was extradited from New York on July 19th to answer charges growing out of the failure of the London & Globe Financial Corporation.

Commenting on the "noble directorate" associated with Wright, the recorder said he hoped the facts which had been disclosed would serve as "a solemn warning to persons of high position against lending their names to commercial enterprises of which they had no practical knowledge, and in which they became the prey of wicked men, who by means of their names victimized the public."

## THE LONDON MYSTERY.

Body of Lady Doctor Who Went Missing in August Has Been Found.

London, Oct. 19.—The disappearance of a woman doctor, Miss Hickman, which has been a sensation here for the past two months, has been partially cleared up by the finding of her body in an unfrequented part of Richmond park. The body was decomposed, the head having been entirely separated from the body, apparently the gnawing of rats.

Miss Hickman, who was a fully qualified doctor of medicine, was performing her duties at the Royal Free hospital on August 15th, when she left the hospital. The police have been searching ever since for her. The body was only identified by a medal which Miss Hickman won in a swimming competition, and her ambulance cross.

## CHAMPION AND CARGO OF LIME DESTROYED

Caught Fire Crossing the Gulf Yesterday—Bound for Naval Yard, Esquimaut.

Nanaimo, Oct. 19.—Steamer Champion, Capt. Westerland, which arrived at Ladysmith yesterday, was totally destroyed there by fire. The vessel was loaded with twelve hundred barrels of lime consigned to the Esquimaut wharf. She had a rough trip across the Gulf. Water got to the lime causing it to heat. By the time the vessel reached Ladysmith the condition was very serious. An attempt was made to discharge the cargo, but in vain, water of course being useless to meet the difficulty.

The heat set the woodwork on fire, and the blazing vessel was run on the beach. The spectacle of the steamer burning last night was very imposing, and attracted a big crowd of spectators. The remnant of the bulk lies in ten feet of water at high tide, but it is not known if the engines are worth saving. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

The Champion is well known to Victoria shipping men. She belongs to Champion & White, of Vancouver, and was a small flat-bottomed freighter, something after the type of the Oscar and Selkirk of this port. She is being towed back to Esquimaut, where she will be burnt to pieces at Blubber Bay, Texas Island.

THE COOTE CASE. Defendant in Civil Suit Scored by the Chief Justice.

Vancouver, Oct. 19.—Saturday's jury brought in a verdict acquitting Josiah Coote of perjury in the famous land case. To-day Chief Justice Hunter handed down judgment in the civil suit of Borland vs. Coote, and his judgment is practically an opposite to the decision of the jury. Chief Justice Hunter finds that the deal must be carried out as refused by Coote, and adds: "I am not only satisfied that Coote frequently committed perjury in giving his evidence, but that he also fraudulently attempted to foist off on the plaintiff a property not in contemplation, and which he did not own."

PAPAL SECRETARY OF STATE. Marg. Merry del Val Appointed to Office by the Pope.

Rome, Oct. 19.—Mgr. Merry del Val, whom His Holiness Pius X. has appointed Papal Secretary of State, is a native of Spain, but was educated in England, and still belongs nominally to the diocese of Westminster. He has been a resident of Rome for many years. He was sent as a special envoy to the coronation of King Edward VII. in New York. A passenger who discovered a number of men were killed and many were injured. Fifteen minutes after the accident nine of the bodies had been recovered and five of the injured had been accounted for.

Wireless telegraph was successfully used in tracing lost baggage on the last trip of the Red Line Finland, from New York. A passenger who discovered some time after the steamer's departure that he left some baggage behind on the dock, communicated with the officials at the pier through the Marconi station at Babylon, L. I., and in 20 minutes received a reply that the baggage had been found and would be forwarded by next steamer.

It is a custom in the Belgian parliament, when a member is making a long speech, for him to be supplied with brandy as he elapses before the expense of the government.

## ALLEGED MURDER ON ONE OF GULF ISLANDS

Rancher Gives Himself Up to the Police Who Are Now Investigating Affair.

Vancouver, Oct. 19.—News reached Vancouver this morning of an alleged murder on Tunbu Island, near Salt Spring Island, which occurred a week ago to-day.

A rancher of Mayne Island, whose name is unknown here, gave himself up to Constable Ego in connection with the crime. The dead man is Ben Wenzel, popularly known as "Jack the Ripper."

The rancher ran his sheep near Tunbu, where Wenzel lived, and started to go in a boat which he found drifting. Wenzel came out, asking him "what in hell he was doing there." The men had a fight, in which Wenzel was worsted. He returned to the cabin, opened fire on the rancher, and the latter fired back. Everything was then quiet, and the rancher went to Mayne Island and gave himself up. Wenzel's body was found with a bullet hole through the chest. Supt. Hussey is here investigating.

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The Prince George Badly Damaged by Ram of the Hannibal.

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BILL OFFER SERVICES.

Irving, Who is Going to England, is Ready to Assist Chamberlain.

real, Oct. 19.—"I am leaving for Ireland immediately, and shall remain until the spring. It is my intention to offer my services to Mr. Chamberlain."

DREDGE KING EDWARD.

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MAKING CHOICE OF THE LEADER

LIBERAL MEMBERS ARE ASSEMBLED HERE

All Those Elected With the Exception of the Two Cariboo Members Present.

(From Monday's Daily.) Fifteen out of the seventeen Liberal members elected to the legislature on October 13th, are in the Capital today for the purpose of selecting the man who will henceforth occupy the post of leader of the party.

A number of the members, including John Oliver, of Delta, and Stuart Henderson, of Yale, came in on Saturday night. Dr. King, the youthful member for Cranbrook, came in yesterday morning.

Later in the evening W. W. McInnes, of Alberni, arrived, and introductions were the order of the day or of the evening. The returns of the District were the dominating feature of the day.

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Messrs. Munro and Oliver, the only Liberals returned from the lower Mainland, are also on hand.

Mr. J. Evans, of Cowichan, the most paternal of them all, is also present. He represents the older element in the province's life.

It is those with whom he is associated in the party deliberations that are doing the heavy work.

The local members, T. W. Patterson, of the Islands, W. C. Wells, of Courtenay, and Henry Turner, of Saanich, complete the Liberal members who are in attendance.

EXTRAVAGANCE IN THE ARMY.

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The order also notifies that it has now been decided that officers on appointment to a unit whose mess members are not of the public estate will not be required to pay any mess contribution.

OFFICIALS ABOVE REPROACH.

Prominent Klondiker Says Charge That They Are Incompetent is Incorrect—Yukon Affairs.

J. J. Rutledge, a prominent Yukon mine owner, who, with Mrs. Rutledge, is staying at the Hotel Vancouver, has arrived from Dawson on the last trip of the steamer Princess May.

In reply to the question, "Are you interested in mining?" he stated: "Yes, I am operating six claims on Gold Run creek, and I intend to expand them."

Asked his opinion of the Klondiker in the present time he replied: "I certainly think it is a good country for the right class of men."

His attention was then called to the intemperance given by J. D. McGillivray, to a correspondent of the New York Herald.

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MAY ARRANGE TO BUY THE SEALING FLEET

Conference Will Be Held Next Month—How the Negotiations Stand at Present.

An Associated Press dispatch from St. Petersburg says: "N. A. Komarov, who was Russian representative in the seal arbitration at The Hague, has been appointed a delegate to the November seal conference."

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POLITICAL RUMORS.

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that a purse would be provided, which was overlooked. The general committee has been called to order. It was prior to Mr. Hamerley's appointment as solicitor for the case himself. It was therefore advised that the clerk be present in case the committee required evidence on the subject. The solicitor bowed out this statement and the account was passed." The Coote perjury case which has lasted three days terminated on Saturday with the acquittal of the prisoner. A verdict not guilty being rendered by the jury after three-quarters of an hour deliberation.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Driver Trampled on by Horses—Miss Moore, of Victoria, Had Thrilling Experience.

"On arrival of the stage from Spence's Bridge last Saturday the familiar form of Driver Van Small was missed from the box seat. D. Munro called to him for him," says the Sunbeam Star. "A peculiar accident, occurring to Mr. Small, the full extent of which, together with his dangerous injuries, are not as yet fully known. While en route from Nicola Lake to Princeton the high wheel horse fell headlong, the falling snow having made the footing so slippery that the horses were all tripping. Alighting to assist the fallen horse onto his feet, previously hauling the reins to Miss Moore, of Victoria, a passenger and the only eye witness to the unfortunate affair, the leathers became twisted. Seizing them by their heads he was unable to control them, having gained such headway as to drag him some distance when his hold broke and poor Small fell beneath their trampling feet.

"Five horses, including a led one, and the coach passed over him, leaving him badly and unconsolably on the road. All the horses were now at the front, but the intrepid lady skillfully guiding them on their perilous flight over the mountainous narrow way. Dislodging her wrist with extreme exertion Miss Moore forecast her own chance of escaping serious injury, if not of life, was to wheel out on some inviting slope. This she did—the horses stopping from sheer exhaustion on a friendly knoll about a mile from where the unconsolable driver lay. Securing the horses Miss Moore hastened to Mr. Small, then to a house two miles away for assistance, whether he was recovering from his medical ailment, or whether it was a case of simple concussion, has not been ascertained. It is hoped his injuries will not long detain him from his wonted position on the box."

PROBLEM OF THE BALKANS. Most interesting and timely, in view of the present great disturbances in the dominions of the Sultan, is the article in the September number of the North American Review, entitled "The Problem of the Balkans," by Dr. A. Louton Snowdon, who, under the administration of President Harrison, was United States minister to Greece, Rumania and Serbia, and later to Spain. The status existing at the present moment in the Balkan peninsula is a complex one, involving a number of independent or semi-independent petty states and principalities. Dr. Snowdon characterizes as unnatural and detrimental to the interests of that portion of Europe. The ideal condition there would be a gigantic federated state stretching from the Bosphorus to the Adriatic, which would not only form a new Christian power, but would serve as an effective barrier to the anxious, restless ambition of Russia. Dr. Snowdon reviews in succession the various Balkan states, Greece, Rumania, Serbia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and dwells upon the factors which are responsible for the present uprising in Macedonia. Referring to the character of Turkish rule, Dr. Snowdon says: "Even in the portions of the Sultan's territory that are inhabited by people a majority of whom are Moslems, the Turks seem to have sown only hate and discord. Albania, most of whose residents are of the faith of the conquerors, is as seriously disaffected from the Porte as any of the Christian portions of the empire. The singular fatality of the ruling caste, and the consequent mediocrity of the government, has been a factor in the failure of the Ottoman empire in the fashion of the fourteenth century."

UNSOUD FOOD.

The medical officer of health for the borough of New Westminster, and most congested urban districts of London, has presented to his department of the local council a rather alarming report dealing with the sale of unsound food and the manufacture of ice cream. He states that immense quantities of unsound food, in addition to 144 tons of plums unfit for food, had been detected during the past week or two by the sanitary staff, and that during the vacation he visited certain premises occupied by an ice cream maker, which he found to be structurally defective. He ordered the maker to make over the ice cream till the sanitary defects had been remedied. At the same time he caused two samples, one from each of the two places visited, to be bacteriologically examined, which it was ascertained that they contained, respectively, 4,000,000 colonies and 5,000,000 colonies of bacteria per cubic centimetre. In both samples a large number of colonies of Bac. coli Commensalis were also present in such quantities as to indicate contamination. It seems there are some stringent by-laws in force there with regard to the manufacture of this delicacy, and they are not altogether uncalculated for apparent.

Farmers' Sons Wanted. With knowledge of farm work in an office, 800 a week and fair education, resolved to leave \$25 to Jesse Cagle, of Meyers Falls, who brought two horses to the carnival on the understanding.

ALL RENT AND TORN.

We are sorry to observe that the Col-... Surely it cannot be that even a single member of the party of immaculate prin-

ditional incentive to development in Northern British Columbia. The work might have been completed ere now if

BRITAIN'S WEALTH.

Chamberlain's campaign in Great Britain has set the whole community into political activity. Statisticians as well as politicians are at it, and each is

POLICY OF EXPEDIENCY.

The Minister of Finance has announced that the Premier has filed his cabinet, but that it has been thought advisable to conceal the identity of the new ministers for a little while, possibly to give

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SOMETHING WILL HAPPEN.

Can it be that some of the Conserva- tives elected to support the McBride government are breathing out threatenings of what they will do if they are not given portfolios? We know that half a dozen ambitious members have been in the city for some days, and we surmise

THE BOUNDARY CASE.

Mark Tapley had his trials in his dealings with Americans, and he was forced to confess that they made conditions under which there was credit to be gained

Food and drink, 408 millions, or 34 per cent.; dress, 182 millions, or 13 per cent.; house, 223 millions, or 16 per cent.; national services, 183 millions, or 13 per cent.; miscellaneous (including educational), 130 millions, or 9 per cent.; cost of distribution, 200 millions, or 15 per cent.

Dismissing the question of what expenditure should be, the first point raised, said Sir Robert, relates to the food and drink bill. It is suggested that there is probably economic waste in some directions, especially in the expenditure by the artisans and wealthier classes on meat and alcohol; but equally there are large numbers of the people insufficiently fed, though we may not accept fully the recent inferences commonly made from the writings of Mr. Rowntree and Mr. Charles Booth.

Attention is drawn to the economic gulf separating the United Kingdom and the self-governing colonies. From India and like parts of the Empire occupied by subject races we find that 42 millions of the people in the United Kingdom consume in food and drink alone, if we take the expenditure at the retail point, an amount equal to the whole income of three hundred millions of people in India. A second point raised relates to the expenditure on housing. Great as the increase of this item has been since the report of twenty years ago, the expenditure being about double what it was, with an increase of less than one-fourth in the population, we must look for further outlay in this direction.

Now we are face to face with another national crisis. The preferential trade policy of the Canadian government has set in progress a movement the outcome of which at present is rather doubtful. In spite of the pessimistic utterances of the majority of Canadian newspapers which, favouring the preference given by Canada, of which the Chamberlain programme is the logical sequence, we believe the late Colonial Secretary will live to see the cause he so ably advocates triumphant. But it is not comforting to find that enemies of the cause of Imperial unity in Great Britain and in the United States are as one in their opposition to preferential trade.

The price of 70 millions for army and navy is about 4 per cent. only of the aggregate income of the people of the United Kingdom, and 0.47 per cent. of their wealth. The last point raised is as to the sufficiency of the expenditure on education—about 30 millions only in the United Kingdom, including inappreciable amounts for scientific investigation, while in the rest of the Empire the amounts are also small, the government expenditure in India for instance being about two millions only. The United Kingdom ought to be spending 30 millions where it now spends 30. Extensive diffusion of education and scientific knowledge and training are not only essential to the greater efficiency of labor and capital by which the means of living are provided, but they are equally needed for the conduct of life itself, for the health and comfort of the workers, their freedom from debasing superstitions and prejudices, their capacity to enjoy the higher pleasures, and their ability to manage all common affairs.

A TESTING TIME.

That old friend of Canada, to wit: the New York Sun, has been aroused by the aim of political strife in Great Britain. Our American contemporary was for years an ardent advocate of annexation. Nothing Canadian could convince it that the feeling in this country in favor of union was not growing. It kept up its agitation for years, comforted by the palpable fact that as a people we were not making the progress materially we should have made consider-

ing the extent and nature of our resources. There was a current belief, justified doubtless by the hampering nature of undeveloped transportation facilities, that the United States was our natural market and the American statesman possessed the power to practically starve us into submission.

Once more the price is gravely informed that the Laurier government cannot survive a general election. This statement has been repeated so often that it is must be losing the power of impressing either Liberals or the remainder of the Conservative party in Victoria. It seems the government has just one chance. It might achieve a victory if it appealed to the country immediately. We are thankful for that concession. Now we understand why the opposition is obstructing the business of the House. The hope of the Conservative party lies in the future. The present is for Liberals. It is selfishly obvious to note that the truth, which is obvious to all who are not blinded by bitter partisanship, is beginning to permeate. When the present federal government was constituted Sir Charles Tupper predicted it could not last a year. In that prophecy the Tory leader established a prophetic precedent, which has been consistently adhered to through all the succeeding years. The evil day was postponed from year to year, and through a general election. Now that it is admitted that the Liberals have one chance of success, it is fairly safe to assume the Conservatives are a party absolutely without hope.

ADVERTISING OUR RESOURCES.

To the Editor:—Will you kindly allow me through your paper to place before the farmers and fruit growers a scheme for the advancement of our province. The advantages of British Columbia as a place for settlers are very little known, and it cannot be denied that where printed matter will often pass unheeded the object itself will arrest attention.

SAVED BABY'S LIFE.

Mrs. T. Brisson, Gold Rock, Ont., writes: "Baby's Own Tablets saved my little boy's life when there seemed no hope, and he is now a bright, rosy healthy child. He suffered, more than tongue can tell from obstinate constipation. I gave him Baby's Own Tablets. I would not be without the Tablets in the house, and I think they should be kept in every home where there are young or delicate children."

DOCTOR NINE YEARS FOR TETTER. Mr. James Gaston, merchant, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., writes: "For nine years I have been afflicted with Tetters on my hands and face. At last I have found a remedy 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.—125.

Sunshine Furnace. LARGE, CLEAN ASH-PAN. "In most furnaces the ash-pan is considered a minor detail—in the "Sunshine" it is given as much care as the most important feature. And the ash-pit is constructed so that all the ashes must fall into the ash-pan which is large and roomy—no scraping, shovelling and no sweeping up ashes in taking care of this heater. In no other furnace are the unseemly, but really important little features given so much thought and care. "Sunshine" furnaces make house-warming easy, cheap and sure. Burns Coal, Coke or Wood. Booklet Free. Sold by all enterprising dealers. McLary's LONDON, TORONTO, MONTREAL, WINNIPEG, VANCOUVER, ST. JOHN, N.S.

THE INCONSISTENCY OF R. L. BORDEN IS NOW ADVOCATING LARGE EXPENDITURE Sir Wilfrid Laurier Points to a Change in Attitude of Opposition Leader.

Octawa, Oct. 17.—In the House to-day R. L. Borden brought up the question of a fast Atlantic line, on motion to go into supply. He said that Canadian mails had to be sent by New York because there were no facilities to send them by the Canadian route. The time taken by mail steamers from Canada now was from 9 to 11 days; in fact it was practically the same as 40 years ago. He moved an amendment that the establishment of a fast line would be a great advantage to Canada and the Mother Country, and that the House therefore regrets that no effective steps have been taken for that purpose by the present administration.

THOUSANDS DESTITUTE.

Measures Taken for the Relief of Sufferers by the Macedonian Revolt.

London, Oct. 17.—A parliamentary paper has been issued dealing with Macedonia affairs during the past month. It shows that on September 19th Lord Lansdowne urged upon the Austrian and Russian governments an extension of their reform scheme, including the appointment of a Christian governor or the retention of a Mussulman governor, assisted by European assessors, the withdrawal of undisciplined Turkish irregulars and reserves, the dispatch of military attaches of the powers to accompany the forces and some system of relief for victims.

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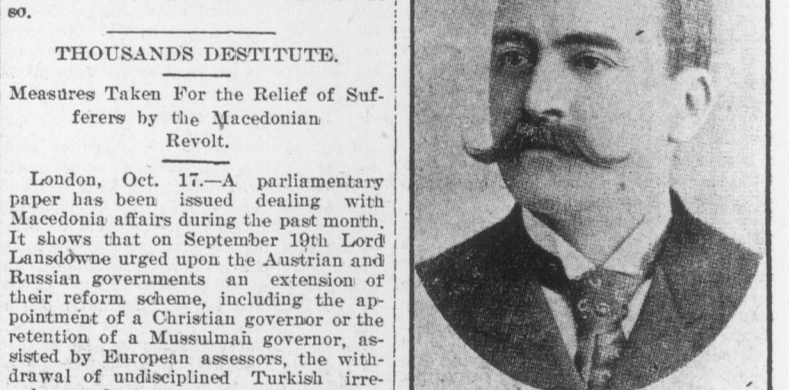
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DEPT. OF TRADE.

The Queen of Italy Paid a Visit to the Mint.

Oct. 16.—The King and Queen escorted by President and cabinet to-day visited the mint, and in commemoration of their visit the President presented His Majesty with the first Finance Minister's Royal Visitation two baskets of royal visitors two baskets of royal visitors two baskets of royal visitors.

Hotel Devilla a reception was held by the municipal, at which representatives of commerce, industry and were present.

The prefect of the Seine delivered addresses to which the King briefly of Paris presented to King

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The motion was then put and carried.

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Through the courtesy of our local colony of customs officers, at the new tariff of the South African Customs Union, from which we have made extracts of the subject points, and we enclose you a copy of these.

The present duty on preserved fish is one penny per pound, and on number ten per cent ad valorem, but you will notice there is a preferential rebate of five per cent, in favor of the British Empire, unconditional so far as the United Kingdom is concerned, in the case of fish colonies and possessions, contingent upon equivalent reciprocal privileges being granted to the British Empire.

Our own British preferential tariff is subject to a similar rebates, as it only applies—inter alia—to "any other British colony or possession," the custom of which is, in the whole, as favorable to Canada as the British preferential tariff

## UNITED WITH THE BOARD OF TRADE

TWO COMMERCIAL BODIES JOIN FORCES

Formal Amalgamation of Chamber of Commerce With Older Organization Friday Night.

Last night that amalgamation of the chamber of commerce with the board of trade, which has been spoken of and worked for by not a few members of either body individually for many months, formally took place. The combined forces compose an organization now over three hundred strong, of representative business men of the city. The commercial interests of the city will benefit thereby can hardly be gained.

The meeting was the regular monthly general session of the board of trade. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read, S. J. Pitts proposed the following amendment to the by-laws to be inserted between sections 18 and 19:

That the members of the Chamber of Commerce shall amalgamate with and be constituent members of the Board of Trade upon subscribing to the by-laws and act of incorporation, and that until the next annual meeting (1904) of the Board of Trade additional members of the Chamber of Commerce of one additional member in the proportion of one additional member to the council to each twelve members of the Chamber of Commerce so subscribing to the by-laws and act of incorporation.

Members of the council shall consist of the president and such further members as may be nominated by the Chamber of Commerce, and as to make the number of the additional members of the council equal to the proportion hereinafter mentioned.

J. J. Shallcross seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Shortly after a large number of the chamber of commerce arrived and the meeting turned out to be a very large one.

On behalf of the board of trade, President Todd expressed great gratification on the end achieved, and he extended to all the new members a hearty welcome.

When this interesting incident took place other business of the meeting was under consideration. A letter had been read from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Toronto, as follows:

Be Canadian Joint Freight Classification. The railway companies of Canada have, in the past, determined the classification of all goods which they carry for Canadian shippers. The classification determines the charges.

The Canadian freight classification is legal only when approved by the Governor-General in council. Contrary to this, however, the railway companies have issued and enforced classification without the ratification of the government under the ratification of the government schedule No. 12, which is now in force.

This schedule (No. 12) is protested against by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and under this protest the Department of Railways and Canals at Ottawa has refused to recommend its adoption unless the railway companies have agreed to have copies of the letters addressed to the secretary of this association, to be kept well in hand.

Please take notice by this notice to bring the question before the individual members of your board, in order that they may place their views before the government. No such opportunity has previously been given to Canadian shippers in the important question of transportation.

Kindly have the matter dealt with as soon as possible, and if you will send individually or collectively forwarded to the Acting Minister of Railways at Ottawa. We will be obliged if you will also have copies of the letters addressed to the secretary of this association, to be kept well in hand.

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In view of the extreme importance of this matter to this province, as the South African tariff has already become very important (we ourselves have shipped about 15,000,000 worth of goods to that colony) we would ask you to kindly bring it before the council without delay, with a view of all possible pressure being brought to bear on the Dominion government to insure the necessary action being taken at once to secure the benefit of the preference offered; for you will note it is provided by article 4 "that no such rebate shall be granted in the case of any particular colony, protectorate or possession, until an aid and other effects of the preference have been publicly notified by the parties of this convention."

We are told that so far as Canada is concerned the matter can be settled by an order in council.

FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE, Per C. MESS.

South African Customs Union. Draft of treaty recently declared in force in British South Africa. Article 1. (Relates to future states entered into.) Article 2. Customs union tariff. Class 1. Special rates (incl. fish, preserved, etc.) ad valorem 10 per cent. Class 2. Mixed ad valorem rates. Class 3. Ad valorem 2 1/2 per cent. Class 4. Free. Class 5. General ad valorem rate, 10 per cent.

All goods, wares or merchandise, not elsewhere charged with duty, and not enumerated in the free list, and not prohibited to be imported into the union, shall be charged with a duty of 10 per cent ad valorem, unless otherwise provided.

Article 3. A rebate of customs duties shall be granted on any goods and articles, the growth, produce or manufacture of the union, for consumption therein, to the extent following:

(a) In the case of goods and articles liable to customs duties under class 1, 2 or 3, a rebate of 25 per cent of any duty chargeable thereon, but not exceeding 10 per cent ad valorem.

(b) In the case of goods and articles liable to customs duties under class 4, a rebate of 10 per cent of any duty chargeable thereon, but not exceeding 5 per cent ad valorem.

Article 4. A rebate similar to that for which provision is made in the last preceding article shall be granted on any goods and articles, the growth, produce or manufacture of any other country, until an aid and other effects of the preference have been publicly notified by the parties of this convention.

The chairman said that the letter had already been taken up by the council and dealt with by that body. The concession on salmon was an important one; it was hoped that the same concession might be obtained with regard to Australia.

The question of improvements to the Marine hospital was raised by Mr. Shallcross. He produced sworn documents showing a case where a seaman from the ship Columbia, who had sustained a broken leg, had to wait twelve hours before a doctor could be secured.

Another case of complaint was that a seaman from the Mylonene, and a third of a seaman from the ship Rowland. In the latter case, a sick man had to be taken to the collector of customs at midnight before he was admitted into the institution.

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REAR-ADMIRAL BICKFORD.

Three-Year Commission of Command-in-Chief of North Pacific Station Expired Yesterday.

Yesterday Rear-Admiral Kenny Bickford, C. M. G., A. D. C., finished his three-year commission as command-in-chief of the North Pacific station. As has been stated in the Times, however, his time has been extended, and according to present plans he will not be leaving Esquimaux until December 15th.

Rear-Admiral Bickford during his stay on this station has made many friends. From the senior officer down to the able seaman he commands the admiration of all men under him, and general regard is expressed over his prospective re-employment.

He was created a rear-admiral in 1899, having up to that time, since 1871, been captain of the ship "The Esquimaux" dockyard. He was the command-in-chief of the army of British India, was in India, the second son of W. Bickford, of Newport News, South Devon. His education was received at the South Devon college school, and at Eton school, Sturminster. He entered the

navy in 1858; served in China as sub-lieutenant during the operations in Japan, and at the taking of the port of Simou Oake; and was senior and gunnery lieutenant of the Amethyst during action with the Peruvian rebel ironclad Hanscan. He was commander in charge of the naval transport arrangements during the war, and negotiated the release of the captured crew of the Niarco at Acheon, for which service he was made C. M. G. As captain, senior officer of the combined French, German and British squadrons in various operations in the South Pacific, he also rendered distinguished service. At Samoa he was in command of the transport ship, and was captain of the first reserve Portsmouth. Besides the C. M. G., Rear-Admiral Bickford also wore the Egyptian medal, the Khedive's star, the Medjidie, third class, and the justice medal.

present, president of the council. Mr. Phillips or Hon. Mr. Goodenough, bringing their constituencies seems to have failed. Harry Wright of Ymir, says he has no intention of resigning his seat in favor of Hon. Mr. Goodenough, the Cumberland News, the organ of Mr. Grant in Comox, says that gentlemen will not resign to make way for Hon. Mr. Phillips.

## THOSE LIKELY TO GET PORTFOLIOS

MESSRS. HOUSTON AND ELLISON MENTIONED

Government Consider That Nelson and Okanagan Are the Safest Seats to Open.

(From Friday's Daily.) Premier McBrice being interviewed to-day had no announcement to make respecting the appointment of successors to Hon. A. E. McPhillips and Hon. A. S. Goodeve.

There is good reason, however, to believe that before very long the successors of these defeated candidates will be named. It is more than probable that within a very few days John Houston, of Nelson, and Price Ellison, of Vernon, will enter the cabinet.

There can be no shadow of doubt that the member for Nelson is here to lay claim to recognition of his services. Mr. Houston, profiting by the example of modern times is not content to follow the good old example of Cleburne and await the office seeking the man. As soon as the election was over, Mr. Houston decided to meet the office at least half way. He is wise enough not to run any chances on the promises of cabinet ministers, and has taken up his position in the city patiently awaiting the fulfilment of his desires.

Price Ellison, on the other hand, is not known to be anxious to fill a cabinet position. With business concerns on his hands which require his attention he has no strong disposition to neglect his private affairs for a position in the ministry.

The government recognizing its weakness before the electorate are forced to look for what may be considered the safest constituencies to open. Okanagan is regarded as perhaps the most secure one at the disposal of the government, and hence the member is to be persuaded into accepting office and opening it.

Hon. R. G. Dryden a few evenings ago went over to the mainland, and instead of remaining in Vancouver pushed on to the interior, no announcement being made in Vancouver of his destination. It is believed that the minister of finance was bound for Vernon, carrying a message from his chief to Mr. Ellison, and that he will endeavor to persuade him to take a portfolio.

In the event of both Messrs. Houston and Ellison entering the cabinet a rearrangement of the portfolios will have to take place. It is expected Mr. Houston will get the department of lands and works, while the Premier will have to take the attorney-generalship. Price Ellison will in this event be assigned to the provincial secretaryship, and Hon. Chas. Wilson, K. C., will remain as at

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Last score in-4, 2, 2, 5, 4-17.  
500 Yards-Third Class Prize Winners.  
1-Gr. Brooker, 1 barrel flour, R. P.  
2-Bandsman Cookley, 7 lb. loaf, Joseph  
3-Gr. Margison, box biscuits, M. R.  
4-Gr. Moore, box of cigars, Wilson  
5-Gr. T. Brooker, 1 barrel flour, R. P.  
6-Gr. Ware, ginger, Chung Lung 19  
7-Corp. Anderson, umbrella, D.  
8-Sgt. Carr, pair gloves, Westside 15  
9-Corp. Crane, goods, Schroder 18  
10-Gr. Mills, roast of beef, L. Good-  
acre 15  
11-Gr. Parr, coffee, W. A. Jameson 16  
12-Gr. Coates, box of tea, Sing Lee 16  
13-Capt. McCannan, carvers, A. & W.  
Wilson 16  
14-Gr. Jones, box of apples, M. Barber  
& Sons 16  
15-Gr. Clegg, grocery, King 19  
16-Gr. Muley, overalls, Han Yick 15  
17-Gr. Barber, box lighters, Bow Lung 15  
18-Sgt. Sweet, ladies' stockings, Chung  
Lee 15  
19-Gr. Roberts, pair children's boots,  
Fow Yuen 15  
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Lung 15  
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600 Yards-First Class.  
1-Sgt. Caven, heater, Albion Iron  
Works 22  
2-Mr. Foster, box of cigars, Pither &  
Lester 22  
3-E. R. A. Platt, 2 lbs. tea, Yuen  
Lung 22  
4-Sgt. Fletcher, box of tea, Fell & Co. 23  
5-C. Sgt. M. Bailey, umbrella, Mc-  
Candless Bros. 20  
6-Stoker Truscott, R. N., pipe in case,  
H. L. Salmon 19  
7-Sidney Guest, R. E. "Big Horn"  
shirt, Turner, Beeton & Co. 19  
8-Capt. Currie, slippers, Paterson Shoe  
Co. 19  
9-Mr. Fitchen, 5 doz. cabinet photos,  
Skene Lowe 18  
10-Gr. Butler, footstool, Smith &  
Champion 18  
11-O. R. Sgt. Lettice, quarter of lamb,  
McFadden 18  
12-E. R. A. Platt, 2 lbs. tea, Yuen  
Lung 18  
Last score in-4, 4, 2, 4, 4-18.  
Three 18s counted out.  
Aggregate-First Class.  
1-C. S. M. Bailey, vest, Thomas &  
Graham 70  
2-Sgt. Caven, Daily Colinet for 1  
year, Colomat P. & P. Co. 75  
3-A. R. Langley, trouser length, A.  
Peden 74  
4-C. S. M. Richardson, 1 book tickets,  
B. G. Electric Ry. Co. 71  
5-Q. M. S. Winsby, umbrella, J. Percy  
& Co. 71  
6-C. S. M. McDougall, 100 Amberite  
shells, H. Ward & Co. 71  
7-Sgt. Fletcher, 1/2 doz. cabinet photos,  
Skene Lowe 70  
8-O. R. Sgt. Lettice, 3 bottles White  
Horse, W. A. Ward 70  
9-Maj. Hibben, box of cigars, Schnoter  
& Sons 67  
10-Gr. Butler, box of cigars, B. A. Paint  
& Works 68  
11-Sgt. Major Guest, chateleine bag,  
Ormond 66  
12-E. Goodenough, 2 lbs. tea, Yuen  
Lung 66  
13-C. S. Seymour, R. N., 1 dozen quart  
beer, Silver Spring Brewery 65  
14-Capt. Currie, picture casing, G. W.  
Neill 65  
15-Mr. Fitzherbert, R. N., 1 lb. tea,  
Wing Chung 64  
16-Mr. Cook, R. N., potatoes, W. J.  
Savory 64  
17-Lieut. McTavish, toilet soap, Chas.  
Pearson 64  
600 Yards-Second Class.  
1-Gr. Wales, 1 ton coal, Hall & Walker  
20  
2-Gr. Parker, horse and buggy hire for  
1 day, Victoria Transfer 19  
3-Corp. Taylor, vest, Fitzherbert 19  
4-Lt. Angus coffee, Dist. Home 19  
5-Gr. Lawrie, 2 bottles White Horse,  
Brown Jug 15  
6-Bandsman Martyn, 5 lbs. coffee,  
Watson Hall 15  
7-Bomb. Richardson, toilet soap, Chas.  
Pearson 15  
8-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 15  
9-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 15  
10-Gr. Coates, brush of gloves, Brown  
& Cooper 15  
11-Gr. Cridge, hunting knife, Barber  
Brook 15  
12-E. R. A. Platt, pair gloves, Westside 15  
13-Gr. Fox, pair gloves, Westside 15  
14-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 15  
15-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 15  
16-Gr. Coates, brush of gloves, Brown  
& Cooper 15  
17-Gr. Cridge, hunting knife, Barber  
Brook 15  
18-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 15  
19-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 15  
20-Gr. Coates, brush of gloves, Brown  
& Cooper 15  
600 Yards-First Class.  
1-C. S. M. Bailey, 500 feet rough lum-  
ber, Shawinigan L. L. Co. 24  
2-Q. M. S. Winsby, return to Seattle,  
Puguet Sound N. Co. 24  
3-C. S. M. Richardson, 1 box of tea,  
Th. Shottell 23  
4-Mr. Cleaver, tea or coffee, Morley &  
Co. 23  
5-Lieut. McTavish, stationery, Victoria  
Book & Stationery Co. 23  
6-Capt. Fletcher, 1 sack rice, Gim  
Fook Yuen 22  
7-C. S. Seymour, 1 "Big Horn" shirt,  
Turner, Beeton & Co. 22  
8-C. S. M. Richardson, 1/2 cord of  
wood, J. E. Palnter 22  
9-A. R. Langley, sack flour, Johns  
Bros. 22  
10-C. S. M. McDougall, pipe, Capt. G.  
Hervey 22  
11-Corp. Brooks, 5 lb. box of tea,  
Quong Sing Wing Co. 22  
12-Stoker Truscott, 5 lb. box of tea,  
Wah Lung 21  
Last score in-3, 4, 4, 5, 6-21.  
500 Yards-Second Class Prize List.  
1-Bd. Sgt. Carroll, 500 feet rough lum-  
ber, Sawyard Mill Co. 22  
2-Q. M. S. Winsby, return to Seattle,  
Puguet Sound N. Co. 22  
3-C. S. M. Richardson, 1 box of tea,  
Th. Shottell 21  
4-Mr. Cleaver, tea or coffee, Morley &  
Co. 21  
5-Lieut. McTavish, stationery, Victoria  
Book & Stationery Co. 21  
6-Capt. Fletcher, 1 sack rice, Gim  
Fook Yuen 21  
7-C. S. Seymour, 1 "Big Horn" shirt,  
Turner, Beeton & Co. 21  
8-C. S. M. Richardson, 1/2 cord of  
wood, J. E. Palnter 21  
9-A. R. Langley, sack flour, Johns  
Bros. 21  
10-C. S. M. McDougall, pipe, Capt. G.  
Hervey 21  
11-Corp. Brooks, 5 lb. box of tea,  
Quong Sing Wing Co. 21  
12-Stoker Truscott, 5 lb. box of tea,  
Wah Lung 20  
Last score in-3, 4, 4, 5, 6-21.

THANKSGIVING DAY SHOOT.  
Clover Point rifle ranges were crowd-  
ed with local enthusiasts Thursday, the  
occasion being the annual Thanksgiving  
Day shoot. About 150 men competed,  
which is more than participated in the  
British Columbia association contests  
some months ago. Weather conditions  
were, on the whole, favorable, there  
being little or no breeze and plenty of  
light. The only thing that had a ten-  
dency to spoil good shooting was the  
dazzling brightness of the sun. Most of  
the shots, however, soon accustomed  
themselves to this, and some really first  
class scores were made. Owing to the  
large number of competitors, and the  
lengthy programme, darkness was begin-  
ning to come on before the last shot was  
fired.

The Bankers' cup was won by No. 3  
company. Both the Edison Theatre cup  
and the Gregory cup were won by  
No. 1 company. The 200 yards competi-  
tion for first class shots went to Coy.  
Major McDougall, with a score of  
93, while the competition at 500 yards  
was won by Coy. Sergt-Major Bailey,  
with a score of 24. Sergt. Caven and  
Mr. Foster, of the royal navy, tied for  
first place at 600 yards, with a score  
of 22 in the competition at 600 yards.  
The complete scores follow:

200 Yards-First Class Prize Winners.  
1-Co. Sgt. McDougall, \$1,000 insur-  
ance policy, Helsterman & Co. 33  
2-Co. Sgt. Bailey, H. 3 bottles G. &  
N. Special, Hudson's Bay 32  
3-E. R. Langley, hat, Sen & Gower 31  
4-Q. M. S. Winsby, pipe, E. A. Morris 31  
5-C. S. M. Richardson, sack of rice,  
Hong Lee & Co. 31  
6-O. R. Sgt. Lettice, sack of rice,  
Wah Yuen 31  
7-Gr. Butler, goods, West End Grocery 31  
8-Mr. Cleaver, R. N., lantern, E. B.  
Marvin 30  
9-Gr. Goodwin, 1 lb. Japanese tea,  
Hanscan 30  
10-Major Hibben, pocket knife, Hick-  
man Tye Co. 30  
11-Lieut. McTavish, 5 lbs. tea, Yick  
Lung 30  
12-Sgt. Caven, pipe, C. Cullin 30  
13-50 Yards-Second Class Prize List.  
1-Lt. Angus, cabinet, cabinet, Carter  
& McCandless 30  
2-Gr. Hibben, box cigars, Dickerson 30  
3-Corp. Taylor, 2 doz. qtz, beer, Vic-  
toria Phoenix Co. 29  
4-Gr. Newbery, cake, Mrs. Gray 28  
5-Gr. Wilders, Windsor Magazine,  
Hound, Hibben & Co. 28  
6-Sgt. Batcher, case of teaspoons, E.  
J. Salmon 27  
7-Gr. Lawrie, pipe, Army & Navy  
Cigar Store 27  
8-Bd. Sgt. Carroll, bicycle goods,  
Braiden 27  
9-Gr. Lawrie, milk set, Powell & Co. 26  
10-Bd. Margra, pipe, Old Post Office  
Cigar Store 26  
11-Gr. Toller, tea or coffee pot, A. J.  
Clyde 26  
12-Bomb. Spurrier, 2 lbs. tea, H. E.  
Scholar 26  
Last score in-3, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4-29.  
200 Yards-Third Class Prize Winners.  
1-C. S. M. Colquhoun, Daily Times for  
1 year, Times P. & P. Co. 29  
2-Corp. Crane, box of cigars, Province  
29  
3-Sgt. Nesbitt, hat, B. Williams & Co.  
28  
4-C. S. M. Richardson, 1/2 cord of  
wood, J. E. Palnter 28  
5-Bandsman Cookley, box of cigars,  
P. Steele 27  
6-Gr. Brooker, men's slippers, Munday  
27  
7-Bomb. Doyle, 2 bottles whiskey,  
Scholar 27  
8-Bandsman Anderson, box of tea, W.  
Fletcher 27  
9-Capt. McCannan, razor, W. S.  
Fraser 26  
10-Gr. Palmer, set of three boxes, Man-  
Wong Lung 26  
11-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 26  
12-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 26  
13-Gr. Coates, brush of gloves, Brown  
& Cooper 26  
14-Gr. Cridge, hunting knife, Barber  
Brook 26  
15-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 26  
16-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 26  
17-Gr. Coates, brush of gloves, Brown  
& Cooper 26  
18-Gr. Cridge, hunting knife, Barber  
Brook 26  
19-Gr. Foot, 3 lbs. tea, C. R. King &  
Son 26  
20-Gr. Margison, hair brush, Jackson  
& Co. 26

Gregory and Edison Theatre  
Cups.  
Band.

Capt. McCannan 51  
Bandsman Biolet 49  
Bandsman Nicking 47  
Bandsman Cookley 55  
Bandsman Murphy 32  
Bandsman Anderson 45  
Bandsman Martyn 48  
Bandsman Tennant 34  
Bandsman Culross 29  
Bandsman Fairall 19  
Bandsman Clarke 24  
Bandsman McGregor 48  
Bandsman Cooper 22  
Bandsman Peele 40  
Band Sergt. Carroll 57

Total 560  
No. 1 Company.  
Lieut. R. Angus 64  
Gr. C. Wales 60  
Gr. T. Brooker 58  
Gr. Cornwall 50  
Corp. H. Crane 49  
Sgt. H. Nisbett 49  
Trp'r. H. Earle 48  
Gr. Coates 55  
Bomb. S. Booth 42  
Gr. R. Parker 59  
Gr. Robert, H. 43  
Corp. Taylor 63  
Gr. F. Newbery 58  
Gr. D. M. Evans 32  
Co. S. M. Colquhoun 61

Total 790  
No. 5 Company.  
Sergt. C. Holler 40  
Sergt

**WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.**  
 Victoria Meteorological Office,  
 October 7th to 13th, 1903.

Full conditions of weather have now set in. The summer type, with its storm areas passing eastward about the latitude of Alaska, has passed away, and from now on you may expect the winter type with storm areas centring their energies about the latitude of Vancouver Island and then passing eastward across the Rockies into the Northwest Territories. The week opened on Wednesday, 7th, with high barometric pressure centred in the North Pacific states, and a low pressure area over hovering on the British Columbia coast and rain falling from the Columbia river to Fort Simpson. On Thursday, the "high" was moving inland to Montana, the "low" continuing on our coast, and indications appearing of its nearer approach. Weather conditions were unsettled and rainfall was general throughout the province and the adjoining states.

On Saturday the storm became central at the entrance to the Straits of Juan de Fuca, where a moderate southerly gale prevailed; rainfall became general west of the Rockies, and three inches of snow fell at Barkerville. By Sunday the pressure commenced to rise on the Washington coast, but the storm area still hovering on our coast caused a continuance there of gales from the southward. By Monday fairer weather had set in, and although, during the day, there were some indications of the approach of another disturbance, the increase of pressure forced the storm to the northern part of the province, from whence it moved eastward across the Rockies. On Tuesday the week closed with the atmospheric pressure fast increasing over British Columbia and conditions becoming favorable for an interval of fair weather. During the week the rainfall has not been excessive, and temperatures have been rather below the average, with the exception of the 12th inst., when a general increase occurred, becoming in this district 10 degrees warmer than the rest of the week.

In the Northwest the weather has for the most part been seasonable, the precipitation has been light and snowfall occurred once at Prince Albert.

At Victoria there were 24 hours and 18 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 65.7 on 12th; lowest, 43.2 on 8th; rainfall, 0.42 inch.

At New Westminster, highest temperature, 68 on 12th; lowest, 38 on 8th; rainfall, 2.46 inches.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 60 on 12th; lowest, 24 on 7th; rainfall, 0.36 inch.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 48 on 12th; lowest, 24 on 7th; precipitation, 0.64 inch.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

CLEANINGS OF CITY ARE TO BE HELD IN A CONDENSED FORM.

The current issue of the Provincial Gazette contains notice of the incorporation of the following companies: Standard Lumber Co., capital \$70,000, divided into 5,000 shares of \$10 each. Wm. Holden Co., Ltd., capital \$10,000, divided into 2,000 shares of \$5 each.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, November 4th, the ladies of the First Presbyterian church will give an "At Home" in the lecture room of the church. All friends are cordially invited. In the evening there will be concert, art gallery, sale of work and refreshments.

The first rehearsal for the oratorio, "Creation," will be held at the Metropolitan church on Tuesday next at 8 p. m. All who are willing to assist in the chorus are respectfully requested to attend this first practice. There will be only six weeks in which to rehearse, and it is very important that each one should be well attended.

Friday was Confucius Day and Chinatown celebrated it with due eclat. The quarters of the Chinese Empire Reform Association were gaily decked with flags and bunting, the new flag of the party being flown from the flag-pole. It has two stripes of red and white on a blue field together with three large stars. The letters C. E. R. A. appear on one of the stripes.

The County Court sat on Friday with Mr. Justice Martin presiding. There were a large number of small cases heard. Among these was a claim presented by Mr. Samuel White for services in connection with designing a steam tug, and for work done on Sunday. The matter was adjourned by awarding in many instances in favor of the defendant the details being settled out of court.

Gen. Sir Frederick Cavendish met with a nasty accident recently. Whilst he was driving a four-wheeled dog cart to Perrott's Brook near Crookston, on his return from shooting at Chillcot, the vehicle was overturned and the general was pitched underneath, his legs being fixed in the wheels. It was some time before he could be released, but happily the horse remained quiet, and Sir Fredrick escaped with only a few cuts and severe bruises. The groom was slightly injured. The trap was smashed, Sir Frederick and Lady Cavendish spent several days in Victoria and at Cowichan some time ago.

Last Thursday evening, during the regular rehearsal of the Fifth Regiment band, a surprise was sprung upon their newly made benedict, Bandman W. V. North. A short recess being called, Mr. North, of Walter, as he is better known to the band boys, was enticed from the band room for a brief interval. Upon his return he stood amazed, for facing him was a long table fairly groaning under its weight of delicacies put there for the purpose of satisfying the inner man. Toasts were drunk, speeches made, and much valuable advice was gleaned by the newly made benedict, as well as the single boys, as it fell from the lips of the older handsman, who had for the week of matrimony for many years and was in a position to know. The meeting broke up in the wee small hours, all present wishing Mr. and Mrs. North a long and happy life of unalloyed bliss and contentment.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has received the contract for carrying the Seattle and Vancouver mail, the annual compensation for the same being \$300.

An correspondent writing from London says: "There is no doubt about the intention of the war office to make Esquimaux a second Gibraltar by a circle of heavily armed forts and the construction of dry dock capable of taking in any battleship or cruiser afloat."

The directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital at their meeting on Wednesday evening approved of the proposal to widen and straighten a path from the administrative building in a southeasterly direction, so as to make a short-way to the tramcar line. The committee was given power to act.

While driving along the road from Duncan to Cowichan Lake Friday with a load of lumber for the Cowichan Lake Lumber Co., Frank Clutcher was killed by the fall of a heavy fir branch just as he was passing beneath the huge trees. The seat was smashed, the horse thrown in the tracks, and Clutcher's feet were passing along the road discovered the body. Clutcher was forty-five years of age.

It is announced that the Western Fuel Co., of Nanaimo, will place all its available lands on sale at once. These lands comprise a large acreage in and around Nanaimo and about 15,000 acres in the immediate vicinity. The thorough report on these lands is being prepared by W. H. Macklin of Galiano Island, who will personally locate and describe them for the benefit of prospective buyers.

A quiet wedding took place Friday afternoon at the residence of Rev. Mr. Westman, Gorge road. The happy couple who were united in holy bonds of matrimony were Mr. Martin Strutt, of Manchester, Eng., and Miss Gertrude De Ridder, of Victoria. The newly-married couple left on last evening's boat for the Sound cities, where they will spend their honeymoon. On returning they will reside in Victoria.

A recent number of the Toronto News presents a photo-cut of little Miss Ruth Russell Winchester and says: "Rev. A. B. Winchester, of Knox Presbyterian church in St. Louis, has been one of the most brilliant pupils, and took first place among the girls in the graduating examinations of that institution." Before removing to Toronto, Miss Ruth was a pupil of South Park school in this city.

The Victoria & Sidney Railway Company held its annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon. There were present only the directors of the company. The old officers were all re-elected. These are as follows: President, John Henry; vice-president, A. E. Woods; secretary-treasurer, T. Van Sant; directors, J. W. H. Levesley, J. W. H. Levesley, J. E. Henry and T. Van Sant. The annual meeting of the Terminal company takes place later.

A dispatch from London says: "The Martin foundry at Lambeth has been experimenting with converting metalliferous sand into pig iron. There are 1,200 tons of this sand on the coast of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and eighty miles in British Columbia and the Yukon. The New Zealand government has offered a prize of £20,000 to the discoverer of a process of converting this sand into iron, in addition to giving an order for 70,000 tons of pig iron, plus the price of freight to the colony."

C. Fields, for twelve years boat-swall on the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's liner City of Puebla, was caught smuggling opium on Tuesday, and is now in prison, says a San Francisco dispatch. Inspector Fields was brushed against Fields on the gunwale just after the vessel had docked, and felt something hard in the boat-swall's jacket. A search showed that Fields wore a harness filled with numerous packets in which were twenty tins of opium. Two tins more were found in his room. He said he was paid \$10 by a Chinese in Seattle to take the drug south.

A number of local Chinese went to Vancouver Friday for the purpose of participating in the formal opening of the new hall erected by the Terminal City branch of the Chinese Empire Reform Association. The corner stone of this building, it will be remembered, was laid in the spring by Prof. Leong Tai Chew. The ceremony yesterday began at 11 o'clock, and the festivities continued throughout the day. There was a fireworks display and a banquet in the evening, and a musical entertainment was given by the City band. President "Charley" Yip Yuen, assisted by the officers of the association, officiated.

Yesterday the remains of the late Mrs. Isabella Strachan were laid to rest, the funeral taking place at 1:30 p. m. from the family residence, Berrybank, Gordon Head, and at 2:30 at St. Aidan's church, Cedar Hill. Rev. Joseph McGeachy conducted impressive services and a number of appropriate hymns were sung. There was a large attendance, and many handsome floral tributes. The individual family members all thanked their many friends for expressions of sympathy. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: F. Underwood, J. Houlihan, W. C. Grant, I. Somers, W. J. Williamson and M. Dummett.

The Times has been requested to publish the following: Enquiry has been received as to Henry Bennett, commonly known as Harry Bennett, one of the early pioneers in the Klondike, about the time of the first gold rush. It is supposed that between the years 1887 and 1890 Lake Bennett and Bennett City were directly associated with his name; since that time nothing has been heard from him by his family. He would be about fifty years of age. For a time he was with the Hudson's Bay Company exploring, and for a time enlisted in one of the Canadian militia regiments stationed in British Columbia. Any information will be thankfully received by his family, if addressed care of the British vice-consul at Seattle.

The Asiatic lily bug, a predatory insect that destroys San Jose scale, has been successfully colonized, it is said, by Prof. Cordley of Corvallis and experimentation has proven their efficacy in eradicating the scale.

Rev. Dr. Campbell and Wm. Gibb, inspector of inland revenue, are conducting the promotion special class exercise examination in the local excise office this week.

Joseph Hunter, general superintendent of the B. & N. Railway Company, is inviting tenders for furnishing 30,000 beams ties for the company. They will be received up to November 1st.

A nice-sized crowd attended the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on Sunday. Rev. John Simpson, of Vancouver, gave an interesting address, while the music consisted of two piano solos by J. Hutchinson, and a nicely rendered violin solo by Sidney Dalhog, together with the bright chorus singing.

At a meeting of the Brush and Camera Club, held the other evening, a programme for the winter season was outlined. There was a fair attendance. A discussion on various matters of importance took up considerable time. It was decided among other things to hold a class exhibit in the spring of work done by members of the club.

When the J. B. A. A. oarsmen were at Astoria they so favorably impressed the queen of the carnival there that she has forwarded them a beautiful portrait of herself in state robes, in the back of the picture appears the inscription: "To the Victoria Rowing Club with Queen Frances's compliments."

By the next steamer leaving for Skagway one of the consignments, freight will be the old "Tiger" hose reel, which has been lying idle in the city for many years. The reel is a two-wheeled vehicle, and is driven by hand. It is a relic of early days in Victoria. It is not to be forwarded to Atlin.

A circular has been received by the local detective department from the firm of E. H. Gay & Co., of Boston, stating that \$15,000 worth of negotiable company bonds had been stolen from them. They are described as bonds of the Atchafalaya, Toledo & Santa Fe road, Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and the Union Pacific railroad. The public are warned against negotiating these securities.

Two Japs who attempted to bribe a couple of officials into allowing a few Japanese women into the United States at Seattle, a few days ago, are under arrest. Their action was anticipated, and a couple of newspapermen were concoiled to listen to the details of the scheme. The Japs were easily entrapped and after committing their arrest a warrant was issued for their arrest.

Today's Gazette contains notice of the appointment of the following: Robert Skinner, of Vancouver, timber inspector for the collector of voters for the Vancouver City electoral district, vice T. Cunningham, resigned. William Austin Jewett, of Nelson, J. P., to be a court of revision and appeal, under the "Assessment Act," for the 2nd assessment district, vice R. A. Revnick, S. M. The resignation of Adam Thompson, of Nanaimo, as a notary public has been accepted.

A Skagway dispatch of October 12th says: "One of the largest robberies in the history of Skagway was committed early yesterday morning. Thieves forced the back door of P. E. Kern's jewelry store and got away with over \$2,000 worth of watches, nuggets and jewelry. Evidently one man did the job, as trays of diamonds, several boxes of nuggets and a number of gold watches and jewelry charms were left in the show cases. The theft was accomplished in the full glare of a street arc light."

The death occurred yesterday morning in the family residence, 410 East street Mrs. Sarah Booth, widow of late Geo. Booth. Deceased was 67 years of age, and a native of London, England. She came to Victoria in 1864, and lived for many years in the home of Geo. Booth, and three daughters. The funeral has been arranged to take place to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 from the family residence, and at 3 o'clock from St. John's Anglican church.

H. C. Bollinger of the Crofton smelter in the city. At present the works are resting about 450 tons of ore a day. A steady supply is being received from the Lena 150 tons daily are being received. This is increased by a regular supply from Texas and 30 tons a day from Prince of Wales Island. In addition to these regular shipments there is constantly being received at the smelter smaller quantities from other parts of the country. From the upper country there are shipments constantly coming.

The Halloween concert to be given in the schoolroom of the Congregational church on Wednesday evening, 28th inst., is the charge of the well-known vocalist, W. D. Kinaird, the event of the season. The choir of the church is assisting in the programme by the following, whose names indicate the entertainment will be strictly first class: Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Mrs. Gleason, the Misses Nolle and Bernice Scowcroft and Miss McCoy, who has received the highest praise wherever she sings. Messrs. J. G. Brown, Gideon Hicks, Jesse Longfield, W. Allen, J. A. West, A. S. Shragar, and R. Wilson. Miss Lizzy Scowcroft, organist of the church, will be accompanist.

The funeral of the late Frederick Benjamin McLellan took place Monday morning from the family residence, Cedar-boro Bay road, at 9 o'clock, and at the Roman Catholic church at 10 o'clock. There were present many of the most prominent men of the city, and a large attendance of friends at the church, and many floral tributes. The following acted as pall-bearers: T. Deasy, W. H. Harris, M. Lawless, T. Collins, N. Cunningham and A. Andrews.

**SPECIAL SERVICES IN CHURCHES YESTERDAY.**

**Fifth Regiment Paraded to St. Andrew's — Trafalgar Day Sermon by Rev. Dr. Campbell.**

Special services were conducted at a number of local churches Sunday. St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was crowded in the morning, the occasion being the presence of the Fifth Regiment. Victoria West Methodist church was also filled at the forenoon services. Members of Columbia Lodge, I. O. O. F., together with a number of members of sister lodges, attended in a body by invitation of the pastor, Rev. S. S. Osterhout. In the evening at the First Presbyterian church this anniversary of the battle of Trafalgar was made the subject of an address by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Campbell, at the request of the local branch of the Navy League. Promptly at 10:30 o'clock "Hail in" was sounded at the drill hall, and very shortly after that the Fifth Regiment, headed by the band, marched out on the way to church. There was a fair turnout, and the volunteers presented a smart appearance. Many, attracted by the music, watched the regiment parade through the principal streets, and almost all remarked that a great improvement had taken place during the past several months.

Arriving at the church the soldiers were given seats that had been reserved for them. Rev. W. Leslie Clay, the pastor, occupied the pulpit and delivered a most instructive and interesting sermon. He took for his subject "The Young Men's Battle," and dealt with all the phases of the question exhaustively. The address as a whole showed how man could conquer himself and rise to something worthy of his manhood. A special programme of music had been provided for the occasion. The band assisted in the accompaniment.

On the return the regiment, marched along Douglas street, down Fort to Government, and along the latter thoroughfare will be looked upon as well as the band. The band rendered several appropriate selections during the march.

Following is the regimental parade slate: No. 1 company, 19; No. 2 company, 14; No. 3 company, 12; No. 4 company, 18; No. 5 company, 20; No. 6 company, 8; Commanding officer and staff, 7; band, 24. Total, 122.

There was also a fair turnout Sunday morning at the parade of Columbia Lodge, I. O. O. F., to Victoria West Methodist church. Members assembled at the hall, Douglas street, at about 10 o'clock, and shortly after formed up on the street and marched to church. The pulpit was occupied by the pastor, Rev. S. S. Osterhout, who delivered an appropriate sermon. A special musical programme, which had been prepared for the occasion, was rendered.

Trafalgar Day Sermon. The First Presbyterian church was well filled last evening, when Rev. Dr. Campbell gave an address on the anniversary of Trafalgar Day under the auspices of the Navy League. Special music was rendered by the choir.

War is an unmitigated evil, it multiplies widowhood, orphanage and poverty. The non-combatants suffer most miserably. It arrests progress in science, literature, commerce and all industries. It is a crime to enter a war unless it is an absolute necessity. It is justifiable in that it is self-defence or the protection of the weak and down-trodden. It would be justifiable for the Armenians who were ruthlessly massacred a few years ago, or the Bulgarians who are being annihilated now. God in the Old Testament did not condemn wars. The Israelites were allowed to wage war to protect themselves. The same principle is recognized in the New Testament. The Centurian who sent for Peter was not reprimanded for being a soldier. No historical church pronounced against all wars. The battles of Drumlog and Bothwell Brig show that at least Presbyterians have not been so backward in fighting the bitter end for the liberty of the world.

"The Empire to which we belong engaged in many great wars, all of which I fear were not justifiable in the high-standards of Christian ethics. It is reasonable to declare war in order to free the world from the tyranny of the Sultan in the Sudan was murdered through the tardiness of the British government to take steps to save the life of one of the noblest and bravest of men whom they sent to Omdurman to maintain the honor and supposed rights of Great Britain in that far off territory. His death was nobly revenged by the bravery of our soldiers at the battles of Adaba and Omdurman. At Omdurman General Sir Hector MacDonald saved the honor of Britain and gained the day. It is fresh in our minds his sad end by suicide in Paris. He was assassinated by vile slanders."

"Hew Dr. Campbell read the report of the commission appointed to inquire into the circumstances affecting the death, in which they declared his "character was irreproachable," and also to occasional reductions in the amount of it. But it seemed to him the limit had been reached, so he protested.

"While one of the greatest generals of modern times was Wellington, the greatest admiral the world has ever seen was Nelson, a son of the manse; and the greatest of all that great battles which he fought was that of Trafalgar, the anniversary of which gave the British navy the proud position of the mastery of the seas. His signal at the beginning of the battle, 'England expects every man to do his duty,' is the key to his own life, and a grand motto for every loyal citizen of the British Empire. Britain, and her strength has maintained

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**Shipping**

(From Monday's Daily.)

According to advices received by the Canadian Bank of Commerce navigation between White Horse and Dawson closed on Thursday last, October 15th. The White Pass & Yukon route officials also received telegraphic advices to the same effect from A. B. Nevill, the vice-president and general manager, although the latter mentioned no specific date. In his telegram Mr. Nevill announced that it is improbable that the White Pass can handle any more freight consigned to Atlin, other than that already now en route there from British Columbia ports.

Last Tuesday the Victorian sailed from White Horse, and it is a question whether she will be able to make her way to Dawson. It is expected that the passengers who are now at Dawson waiting for the last boats out, will have considerable trouble getting to White Horse.

Three vessels plying between Seattle and Alaskan ports have met with accidents in the past ten days. The first injury reported was to the Cottage City, which blew out a low-pressure cylinder while crossing Frederick Sound.

Directly after this, news came of an accident to the Meteor, which runs to Nome. She was reported as having lost her propeller, rudder and tail shaft. She has, however, been rescued from a rather perilous position and is now on her way to Unalaska in tow of the Eureka, a sister ship.

The latest injury reported is to the steamship Farallon, operated by the Alaska Steamship Company. Her mishap occurred not far from the spot where the Cottage City broke down. Her injuries consist of a broken tail shaft.

Some hours after the accident the United States Coast Survey steamship Goldeneye happened to be passing through Frederick Sound and went to the rescue of the Farallon, towing her into Wrangell Narrows, where she is at anchor. The tug Pioneer has been dispatched to the assistance of the disabled steamer.

**GLORY OF SEAS OVERDUE.**

The old wooden ship Glory of the Seas is causing those interested in her considerable anxiety and the next news from Dutch Harbor is awaited with great interest," says the San Francisco Chronicle. "The Glory left Orser Harbor for Dutch Harbor sixty-eight days ago with a cargo of coal for the North American Commercial Company. She passed Tatoushak, on the Behring Empire, 11th, and since then nothing has been

**GYMNKHANA PLEASE!**

GOOD COMPETITION LARGELY.

The Various Events  
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Cowwood race course Saturday, the occasion of the gymnkhana race meeting which left the E. & J. did not carry the more came from the in carriages, buggies than on previous occasions they were able to meet the beautiful weather. October day, sunshiny, clear, in the atmosphere of a real pleasure trip. The various races were a real pleasure trip. The various races were a real pleasure trip.

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At New Westminster, on Oct... wife of Wm. Cumming, of a... Vancouver, on Oct. 12th, the... of H. Roope, of a son.

MARRIED.

At Vancouver, on Oct. 14th... Rev. Father Welsh, Karl C... and Mrs. Laura Clifton.

DEPARTURES.

At Vancouver, on Oct. 14th... Rev. E. G. MacBeth, George... and Miss Geraldine E. H...

DIED.

In this city, on the 17th in... B. McCallin, a native of... Breton, Nova Scotia, aged 43 years.

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At the family residence... on the 15th instant, Jane... wife of Mr. J. W. Watson... aged 70 years.

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GOOD COMPETITIONS; LARGE ATTENDANCE

The Various Events—Conclusion of the Shoot at Clover Point Range—Rapid Firing Match.

Colwood race course was crowded on Saturday, the occasion being the annual gymkhana race meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club. Although the special train which left the E. & N. depot at 2 o'clock did not carry the number anticipated more came from the city on bicycles or in carriages, buggies and other vehicles than on previous occasions. In this way they were able to more thoroughly enjoy the beautiful weather. It was a typical October day, sunny, with just sufficient clouds to keep the sun from making the race a real pleasure both for those participating and those witnessing.

Among the many vehicles that had been drawn up at the starting point was the tally-ho which had been secured for the occasion by a large party of prominent citizens. Upon arrival at the grounds luncheon was served, and during the afternoon of those present enjoyed the refreshments provided. The club's headquarters on the ground were also much frequented during the intervals between the various races.

Needless to say Victoria's society was largely represented. Among those present were Rear-Admiral Bickford, Mrs. Bickford, and many officers from the fleet at Esquimalt, also Colonel and Mrs. Grant and a number of officers from the barracks. Among the members of the legal fraternity present was Mr. Justice Burbridge, of Ontario.

The first contest was called promptly at 3 o'clock. It was a jumping competition, and was finally won by Ruby, with Capt. Sanderson as jockey. The entries were: Ruby, Thunder, Jezebel, Pharaoh, Mary Anderson, Frank L., Susan and Punch. Starting at a height of a little over a foot jumping continued to about four feet, at which time the number of competitors had become thinned to four, namely: Ruby, Thunder, Mary Anderson and Jezebel. At five feet Mary Anderson and Jezebel dropped out, being unable to clear the bar in the three tries allowed. Ruby and Thunder were left to fight it out. With steady tries each neither was able to completely clear the bar at the elevation of five feet three or four inches. Seeing this the judge decided to award the contest to the man over horse. Ruby was the victor. Ruby went over, only grazing her hind hoofs, and Thunder followed with the poorest attempt he had made during the contest, striking the bar full on the breast. The cup was, therefore, awarded Ruby.

Outside of the costume race, the V. C. contest was undoubtedly the most interesting of the afternoon. There were three entries as follows: M. Mouldie, Staur, Ruby, Frank L., Daisy, Mary Anderson, Thunder and Gangway. The race consisted of a dash of about a quarter of a mile over brush hurdles, then dismounting, leading the rider to the starting point. As far as the dummies the competitors were bunched, but while dismounting and securing the dummies many of the horses became spirited, under the rider fire to which they were subjected, and made it difficult to mount. Thunder was first on the way back, and won by an easy margin, with Gangway second and Staur in a large lead in the quarter-mile scurry. For about half-way the horses were beautifully bunched, but then began to string out. From a spectacular standpoint this was the finest race of the afternoon. It was a great sight to see some ten or fifteen horses rounding the corner with little more than a yard or two between the first and last. Douglas secured a lead at the three-quarter point, which he increased considerably before the finish.

Following this came the most unique contest on the programme—the costume race. About seven or eight entered for this, and the finish was close. Unfortunately the contest was marred by an accident which might have proved serious. Mr. Langley was thrown from his horse on the dash to his lady nominator, and was stunned for several minutes. Recovering, he was taken to the club house, and received every attention. Meanwhile the race continued. The conditions of this contest, follow: Start dismounted. Saddle and costume on ground. Saddle up, put on costume, ride to lady nominator, who will give rider a hat and umbrella and do sum. Rider must ride back to starting place, wearing hat, carrying umbrella open and the answer to sum. First past that post with correct answer, umbrella up and hat on wins.

Lieut. French, on Tommy, proved to be the speediest in dressing, doing arithmetic, donning a hat and in riding, and won the race by a good lead. Mrs. Langley was his nominator.

The Scott & Peden cup contest was next on the programme. Only horses owned by members of the club were allowed to compete. The entries were:

Thunder, 164 pounds; Sugar Loaf, 147 pounds; Pharaoh, 142 pounds; Rufus, 140 pounds; Mary Anderson, 147 pounds; and Jezebel. Before the starting of this race it was announced that Jezebel would go in as a make race, not having weighed in, and all bets should, therefore, be declared void. The announcement was, however, made later than Jezebel having weighed in would make the race in earnest. From the start the last named horse had the advantage. The order was practically the same all round the track. At the finish Jezebel, ridden by Lieut. Bandy, had a lead of at least 500 yards. A match race between Frank L., rec. 7 pounds, and Mary Anderson, was watched with considerable interest. Mary Anderson, ridden by T. P. Patton, won with ease, passing the finishing post several lengths in the lead.

The afternoon's sport was completed by an orange contest. It was carried through in heats, there being six competitors in each. There were six oranges for each competitor to collect from the tops of stakes placed in a line across the field. The one coming in first with the most oranges, it was announced before the contest started, would be declared victorious. Lieut. West won out in the final heat.

Shortly after the last named contest the train left for Victoria, carrying a good crowd of passengers thoroughly pleased with the afternoon's entertainment.

THE TURF BROKE RECORD.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 16.—Dan Patch (159) broke the world's pacing record to date in an exhibition here today, and came within a half second of equalling his own staid record. The previous record was held by a wagon was 2:01 1/2, made by Little Boy on the Memphis track. Dan Patch clipped two full seconds off this record and went the mile in 1:39 1/2. Patch was accompanied in his round of the track by two runners, driven by Hudson and McGuire. His time by quarters was as follows: 30%, 50%, 1:29, 1:59 1/2. His third track was made in 2:04 seconds. The track was fast and weather conditions perfect.

LACROSSE.

The Vancouver lacrosse team was defeated at San Francisco on Saturday by the Shamrocks by 7 goals to 3 in a grand exhibition of Canada's national game. The Vancouver team was the same as the team which defeated the Shamrocks at the New Westminster exhibition, with the exception of Cas, who was out of the game on account of an injury received on Thursday against the All-California team.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

On Saturday at the Caledonia grounds a splendid practice was held by senior, intermediate and junior players. There was a large turn out, and sides were chosen by L. Foot and H. Marchant. The game was well contested, and resulted in a victory for the former side after a hard struggle. The score was nine points (three tries) to three (one try). Alec's Martin, B. H. Hurst and G. Morley secured two tries for the winners, and Scoble touched down for the losing fifteen. As will be noticed none of the tries scored were converted. On the breast T. Cup was, therefore, awarded Ruby.

PLAYERS INJURED.

"The Argonaut intermediates will be without the services of two of its players for some time to come," says the Vancouver Advertiser. "While out at practice on Saturday afternoon Cleve Carter and Owen Savers had their collar bones broken while in the act of tackling a player of the opposing side. Savers, who was injured first, lacerated his jersey to Carter, and the latter had not been on the field five minutes before he was hurt. The boys were conveyed to their homes, where the broken bones were set."

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

The managing committee of the J. B. A. A. will meet the senior and intermediate football committees at the club house this evening in order to thoroughly discuss football prospects for the season. The intermediates will also pick their team for the game with the banks next Saturday.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

At a meeting of the British Columbia Football Association, held at Nanaimo the other day, officers were elected as follows: President, James Ross (Nanaimo), elected vice-president, Rev. W. B. Bolton (Victoria), secretary-treasurer, J. W. Freese (Nanaimo). Entries for the cup competition will close on October 31st. The trophy is at present held by the Coal City football team.

COLUMBIAS, 2; BARRACKS, 2.

The first of the city league matches was played last Saturday afternoon between the Columbias and the Barracks at Work Point, and if all the games which are to follow are as hard fought and stubbornly contested as this match, Association football will once more predominate in sporting circles of the city. The final result was a draw, each side getting two goals. The Columbias, winning the toss, elected to play against the wind. The Garrison had things pretty well their own way for the first twenty minutes, and in a general mix-up in front of the Columbias' goal scored. Determined to even matters, the Columbias shortly before half time scored their first goal, Berkley by a neat shot from

DEATH THIS MORNING OF GEO. A. CARLETON

General Freight Agent of C. P. R. in Victoria Passes Away After Lingering Illness.

After a lingering illness extending over many months, George A. Carleton passed away at the Jubilee hospital at an early hour Monday morning. From his weak condition and the amount of suffering endured during the last few weeks, his death was not altogether unexpected. Nevertheless the news of his demise will be sorrowfully received, not alone by his many friends, but by the business community of the city with whom Mr. Carleton's position for upwards of a score of years gave him a prominent place.

The beginning of Mr. Carleton's illness was an attack of la grippe in March last. He took a trip North in June for the benefit of his health, but returning was confined to his home. From that time up to his death his condition varied, and a month ago there was every hope of his recovery. Surgical operations, however, being since necessary, succeeded in but little to have the strength to survive them, and gradually sank. Mr. Carleton was born in Portsmouth, N. H., in 1842, came from New York to San Francisco in 1878, was a brother of Gen. J. G. Carleton, and entered the employ of the California Steam Navigation Company as purser and freight clerk on the steamer Amelia (a vessel which subsequently foundered off this coast), Captain A. Chrystopolis. He was shortly afterwards appointed secretary of the New California Steam Navigation Company, of which Capt. T. C. Walker was president. He remained in that service for several years, and was for two seasons engaged as purser and freight clerk on the steamship State of California, Ancona, Senator and George W. Elder. Shortly after his resignation of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company Mr. Carleton succeeded the late Robert J. Byers as general freight agent. That position he still occupied until the transfer of the company's interests to the C. P. R., and even up to the time of his death.

THE REEF.

CUP WON BY BRAYSHAW.

On Saturday afternoon at Clover Point the Thanksgiving shoot of the 5th C. A. Rifle Association was brought to a successful close by the rapid fire match. A great deal of interest was manifested in this match by those taking part in it. The principal prize was a silver cup presented by T. M. Brayshaw, and after a very interesting shoot resulted in a tie between Co. Sgt. Major Richardson and Corp. A. Brayshaw, a son of the donor. On the tie being shot off the latter won with a score of 30 to Richardson's 28.

Previous to the above match a practice shoot was held at 200 yards and 500 yards, and some fairly good scores were made. The following are some of the best scores made at practice:

- 200, 500, Yl. Sgt. J. Caven ..... 33 35 62 Q. M. Sgt. Winiby ..... 30 32 62 Gr. R. J. Butler ..... 32 30 62 Corp. Sgt. Major Richardson ..... 32 30 62 Corp. A. Brayshaw ..... 34 28 62 Co. Sgt. Major McDougall ..... 27 31 57 Q. M. Sgt. Clark, R. E. ..... 28 25 57 Co. Sgt. Major Bailey ..... 28 29 57 O. R. Sgt. Lettice ..... 30 27 57 Capt. A. W. Currie ..... 31 25 56 Mr. G. W. Lawrence ..... 28 27 55 Gr. W. Duncan ..... 30 24 54 Gr. C. A. Goodwin ..... 26 27 53 Lieut. J. A. McTavish ..... 28 25 53 Sgt. F. Zatchar ..... 30 23 53

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BASKETBALL HALL.

Old Methodist Church Will Be Rented by Y. M. C. A.—Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board of directors was held in the parlors Friday for the purpose of discussing the question of providing a suitable hall for basketball matches, band concerts, etc.

After discussing the matter thoroughly it was unanimously voted to close with Lee & Fraser for the old Methodist church.

The general secretary reported that the Victoria Ladies' Basketball Club wanted to use the hall for practice on certain nights. This was granted. There is no doubt that the building, which has been the scene of many a pleasant hour in the past, will again accommodate thousands during the coming winter. The hall will be fitted up immediately, and it is the intention to have something doing every Saturday night, either basketball, gymnastic exhibitions or concerts. Some of Victoria's best season's players have already joined the association, and it is believed that the Y. M. C. A. will come out on top in basketball, which is their own game.

Mrs. Hooper, who is president of the Ladies' Club, was over to Westminster last week trying to arrange a series of games there, and it is likely that a provincial league will be formed as a result. If the league is formed some good games will no doubt be played. There ought to be a city league among the different clubs, for basketball is a splendid game, and as Western British Columbia athletes are not favored by facilities for ice hockey, the game should be fostered.

Secretary Little referring to the position of the Y. M. C. A. in relation to sports says:

"The Y. M. C. A. can be counted upon to do their share in forwarding all clean sport, but absolutely refuse to countenance anything which is not in accord with a manly character."

COMMUNICATIONS.

WEST COAST HISTORY.

London News for October 11th, 1903, there are some interesting views of Friendly Cove, Nootka Sound, in connection with the erection of a monument to commemorate the meeting of Vancouver and Quadra. It is as well to know that the centre view has nothing to do, as stated in the letterpress beneath, with the memory of Chief Maquinna, the contemporary of Vancouver and Quadra. The totem shows in the view, consisting of a large wooden eagle standing on a whale, surrounded by two sewing machines and various other "fetters," the property of the late chief, is placed on the west point of entrance to Nootka Sound, to the memory of Chief Maquinna, the last, I may say, of the once powerful West Coast chief, who died at Nootka in 1901. He was descended in the female line from the great Chief Maquinna, of the days of Vancouver, the name of which was purchased from the late Capt. Meares of the merchant ship Felix, in the year 1788, purchased the land at Friendly Cove for several sheets of copper and some rum, on which Meares built a storehouse, housing over it a flag staff. This powerful potentate, also, in 1810, seized the American merchant ship Boston, killing the whole of the crew with the exception of the armorer and sailmaker, who were kept as slaves for more than two years, until rescued by the brig Lydia in 1813. The refusal of the Spanish government to recognize the sale of this land to Capt. Meares and the seizure of two British merchant vessels in Nootka Sound, Princess Royal and Argonaut, by the Spaniards, was the foundation of the quarrel between Great Britain and Spain, which ultimately led to the occupation of these shores by their present possessors.

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PROF. WICKENS HOME FROM EXTENDED TOUR

Visited All Principal Points in Europe—Saw Two Pupils Safely Landed in Leipzig.

Prof. E. G. Wickens, who left here on an extended tour to the Old Country in July last, returned home on Friday, arriving via the Great Northern and the steamer Chatham. On the trip Prof. Wickens was accompanied by one of his pupils, Master J. H. Gordon, the promising young violinist from this city, who, with Master Frank Armstrong, another of the professor's pupils, were seen safely started in the big conservatory of music in Leipzig. The former made many of his rounds with Prof. Wickens in eight-weeks in the Old Country, visiting among other points of interest the Tower of London, where all the royal jewels are kept, the British Museum and Madam Tassandri. During his stay in London Master Gordon played before a number of reputable musicians, including Mr. Wood of the Queen's Hall orchestra, who professed that the boy had a great future before him.

After leaving Leipzig all the principal points of interest were visited on points to be returned to the Conservatory in connection with the admission of Maestros Armstrong and Gordon into the conservatory occurred when they applied for entrance there. Generally a lengthy examination has to be undergone, but when the musical masters of the big institution heard the two young Victorians play they expressed themselves as thoroughly satisfied, and complimented Prof. Wickens on the tuition he had given them.

After leaving Leipzig the professor went to Dresden, where the marble steamer afforded a special object of interest. In England and Scotland Prof. Wickens distributed most of the Victoria literature which he took with him at the request of the Victoria Tourist Association, and everywhere sympathy was expressed at the existence of such beautiful and up-to-date literature. Naturally enough he never missed an opportunity to impress strangers with the many charms of Victoria, and every thing he could tell them about the place was listened to with the keenest interest.

An interesting feature of the return trip to Victoria was the Cunard Bulletin, a little newspaper published aboard R. M. S. Campania, which is issued every day and contains all the latest news of the world by the Marconi system. A surprising incident happened on the voyage. Among the passengers was a New York stockbroker who, when a thousand miles from shore, conducted a business transaction in New York. Finding himself in communication with houses in the big metropolis by means of the Marconi system, he succeeded in successfully disposing of thousands of dollars worth of stock. This, however, was but one instance of the wonderful usefulness of the wireless telegraph.

Another was observed on the trip across the Atlantic, when Prof. Wickens was sailing for Europe on the steamer Barbarian. The vessel encountered a dense fog and the captain in order to verify his own reckoning wired to the nearest point of land. In a few minutes an answer came back: "Four hundred and eight-six miles from shore." This information being received, corroborated the captain's own judgment of his position, and gave passengers renewed confidence.

Prof. Wickens has profited by the trip. He will now resume his usual classes, feeling that he is better equipped, musically, than he ever was before.

CHARLES WILSON.

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Panic of Two Boats at San Francisco—No One Seriously Injured.

San Francisco, Oct. 17.—The Southern Pacific ferryboat Newark crashed into the ferry steamer Oakland in the middle of the bay during a dense fog today, endangering the lives of thousands of passengers. The Newark struck the Oakland about the paddle boxes, tearing a hole in her side. The Newark came out of the wreck with her hull carried away at the bow and her deck near the apron cut deeply. The shock listed both boats and caused intense excitement. The crowd on the lower and upper decks of the Oakland rushed back and forth in a frenzy of fear. Women fell fainting or went into hysterics. Racks containing sock jackets were torn down throughout the whole length of the Oakland's lower decks and several women were restrained as they tried to leap overboard. On the Newark the passengers were more easily handled. So far as known no one was seriously hurt.

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