





MUTINY SPREADING AMONG CZAR'S SAILORS

More Vessels Have Thrown in Their Lot With the Kniaz Potemkine, Which Refused to Surrender.

Battleship Which Led Revolt Has Taken Refuge in Roumanian Port—Number of Black Sea Warships Withdrawn From Service and Crews Sent Ashore.

London, July 2.—It is apparent that all the crews of the Russian Black Sea fleet have mutinied.

When Admiral Kruger's fleet reached Odessa, the admiral signalled the Kniaz Potemkine to join the squadron.

On Saturday afternoon the Kniaz headed towards the Roumanian coast, and has not since been heard from.

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Ottawa, July 3.—One of the Toronto insurance companies carrying on business under a Federal charter, has applied to the minister of justice for the disallowance of British Columbia legislation which would compel it to pay a license to operate in that province.

To Fight White Plague. The Commons has appointed a special committee to act in conjunction with the senate to consider what measures can be taken for the suppression of tuberculosis in the Dominion.

Will Remain at Work. Decision of the Underground Workers at Brechin—The Rival Unions.

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NO GROUND FOR SUSPENDING TREATY.

London, July 3, 3 p.m.—In the House of Commons this afternoon, Earl Percy, the foreign under secretary, replying to a suggestion that friendly representations should be made to the Russian government proposing a temporary suspension of the treaty excluding foreign warships from the Black Sea.

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BYE-ELECTION IS TO COME QUICKLY

VOTING IN ALBERNI PROBABLY JULY 22ND

The Liberal Party Feels Confident That It Will Retain Seat in Legislature.

The bye-election in Alberni has been fixed for Saturday, July 22nd.

V. V. & F. BILL PASSED COMMITTEE OF HOUSE

Clause Adopted Providing For Construction to Begin From Cloverdale Within Two Years.

Ottawa, July 3.—The consideration of the V. V. & E. Bill was resumed before the Commons in committee of the whole this afternoon.

Mr. Barker, of Hamilton, and Henderson, of London, were up on the bill, but they did not come up today.

It is generally conceded that the victory will be with the Liberals and that Mr. Aitken will be elected to fill the place of Mr. McInnes.

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Texada, as their chairman, and after two hours deliberation it was announced that Mr. Aitken had received 100 votes and Mr. Bledsoe six.

The members of the local Liberal Association were then admitted. Mr. Aitken made a graceful and effective speech, accepting the nomination as the Liberal candidate for Alberni.

Telegrams expressing continued confidence in their leadership were dispatched to Mr. Aitken.

Mr. A. S. Smith, of Alberni, has been appointed retired officer and has already entered upon his duties.

It is estimated that not more than perhaps 350 votes are available for polling purposes.

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for him—Both men fought with their whole hearts. There was no lack of steam being directed to the face. The clinches were few, and the fight was won entirely upon its merits.

The preliminaries were tame. The first was a four-round "go between" on a young brother of Colie Hill, and Wilkes, a blonde-haired lad from Salt Spring Island. His shoveled himself easily the master of the other who would be no match for many a husky young guy slinger on the picture-golf island from which he came.

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE ACCORDED WELCOME

Addresses Given at Opening Meeting by Local Men—Reception in Parliament Buildings

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The church was decorated elaborately. The best man was Mr. James Wallace, brother of the groom, and the bridesmaid was Miss Ada Parker, sister of the bride.

The service in the church was fully choral, under the direction of Mrs. Fisher. The organ was played by Mr. Godson, who rendered Mendelssohn's Wedding March as the bride party left the edifice.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the Metochin hall. The newly married pair stood under an arch of white garland, with pink roses and banded with ferns, and received the congratulations of about 200 friends assembled to greet them.

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Ex-Mayor Manson of Nanaimo is not likely to attain to the dignity of writing ex-M. P. P. for Nanaimo after his honored name. Not that Mr. Manson is not in all respects a most worthy gentleman. He is highly spoken of as regards both character and ability. But Alberni is not a Conservative constituency, and if it were Conservative its adherence to Conservative principles would have been severely tried by the acts of the British Columbia government which calls itself Conservative, a government which ex-Mayor Manson would support if elected.

A few weeks ago it was hinted that the Liberal party in British Columbia was likely to permit the seat of Mr. McInnes to go to a government supporter by default. The newspaper that drew the bow at a venture had little hope that its random shot would reach the mark. It knew well that the Liberals would nominate a candidate. The Liberal candidate in the field—one of the prominent and active citizens of Nanaimo, Mr. Hugh Atkins, of the Herald, was the choice of the convention held at Alberni Wednesday. Consequently the fight will be between two residents of the most strenuous political centre in the province, and it will be worthy of the political reputation of the base from which it will be carried on.

A CHRONIC COMPLAINT.

The Intercolonial Railway of Canada is the despair of Canadian politicians. The deficits of the government line are as regular as the seasons. When the Conservatives were in power the Liberals in opposition were quite sure that under business management the road could be made to pay. For eighteen years the conflict of opinion raged, and for eighteen years the excuses were made that the condition of the districts served and the point of view of the people who patronized the line precluded the possibility of the road being made to pay the expenses of operation.

Now the conditions are reversed. The Liberals have their hands upon the throttle, but sufficient financial steam cannot be generated to keep the rolling stock moving upon its own wheels. It appears the people of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia have been reared with false conceptions of the purposes of the railway. They think it was made to serve their ends, and if in serving their ends the interests of the country as a whole cannot be advanced, the interests of the country as a whole must be sacrificed. A standard was set during the eighteen years of Conservative management that cannot be upset now without oversteering many cherished ideals and opinions.

The point of view is that the Intercolonial as a link in the chain which united the Eastern provinces within the confines of Confederation is not primarily a business institution designed to serve business ends, but a convenience for the business houses which have goods to transport and for the public who desire transportation for themselves. The Intercolonial is also a means of livelihood for a small portion of the too numerous class who love to place their superabundant but none too active energies at the service of their country.

The Liberal government in its Minister of Railways and Canals believed that it was possible to change the point of view of the men of the East and educate them up to an approximation of the truth regarding the Intercolonial. It will be remembered that in the days when Hon. John Haggart, as Conservative Minister of Railways, directed the affairs of the Intercolonial, despair seized upon the souls of the practical-minded members of the party. They regarded the case of the Intercolonial as hopeless, and they started an agitation in favor of transferring the whole works, rolling stock and roadbed, over to the C. P. R. as a free gift. The Liberals then had the habit of opposition, and they opposed this drastic suggestion. They thought they could do better with the line. They pointed out that it had not had a fair chance—that its apertures were out of date—that it began at a seaward end and ended in a field—that it was merely a tramway acting in a limited sense as a feeder of the C. P. R.—and so on. Now the road runs into the great city of Montreal. It has been equipped as to its rolling stock with the most modern engines and coaches. And yet we hear the chronic tale of deficits. Twice in its career under the administration

of Mr. Blair the line showed surpluses. What is the matter with it? That is what the people of Canada would like to know. It is absurd for Conservatives to claim that if they were in power they could do better. They tried for eighteen years, and they could not determine the cause of the trouble.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson claims that the past year has been an exceptionally trying one for the Intercolonial. The winter was a hard one. The cost of keeping the line clear of snow was enormous. This, as we know from the annual reports of the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk, also applies to the cases of the privately operated lines of Canada and reduced their profits for the year enormously. It is also true, as claimed by the Minister, that the scale of wages paid Intercolonial employees was below the schedules in force on other roads. That was a grievance a Liberal government was in duty bound to take cognizance of and remedy. But after all excuses have been noted, it is obvious that there is something inherently wrong with the working of the government road, and that a remedy for the evil must be found. Mr. Emmerson says he hopes for better things in the future. The business activity which has been characteristic of the East for the past half dozen years exhibits no signs of diminution. The present Minister has not had a fair chance to prove his capacity with respect to the management of the Intercolonial. He may have a more cheering statement to make to Parliament next year. If the deficits continue, then it will be opportune to ask for a commission to inquire into the secrets of the chronic deficits on the Intercolonial railway.

A more terrible menace than the Japanese now confronts the Russians. It was well understood that the country was as ripe for revolution as the people of such a country could be. But with the army and the navy in the hands of the governing classes it was difficult to see what the ignorant masses could hope for by rising except sudden death or dreadful mutilation at the hands of the soldiery. No one ever suspected that there was a possibility of the navy or the army rebelling and joining forces with the revolutionists. A final wanton act upon the part of the agents of the despotism appears to have set the match to the tinder in the navy, and it is difficult to say what the ultimate result may be. Whatever it may be, it is quite clear that there are bloody times ahead of the afflicted people of Russia. They will be suppressed, we believe, but the classes as well as the masses will suffer the consequence of misgovernment and oppression. The lesson history teaches is that men who have been kept in subjection by the methods employed upon the Monjiks of Russia, and upon higher classes than the Monjiks, exact terrible penalties when they turn upon the oppressors and wrong-doers.

GIFTS FROM LAURIER.

It is gratifying to the Times to note that nearly all the prominent newspapers of the province of British Columbia are vying with each other in paying compliments to our esteemed and revered Lieut.-Governor, Sir Henri Joly. Our contemporaries speak as though they had just discovered the virtues and the accomplishments of Sir Henri. When the news came from Ottawa that the grand old seigneur from Quebec had been appointed to the Lieut.-Governorship of British Columbia the Times predicted that in his official capacity by reason of his long experience in state affairs and his inherently sound judgment and broad understanding, and in his social capacity by reason of qualities for which he had long been renowned, Sir Henri would establish standards in the west which would be difficult of attainment by those who should succeed him. Some of our contemporaries, which were then in a critical mood, expressed their doubts respecting the wisdom of the choice of the government. And they were by no means considerate of the feelings of the gentleman they are now overwhelming with their tributes.

THE RESERVOIR.

To the Editor:—In answer to "Citizen's" letter in your last night's issue, the British Columbia Electric Railway Company has not now, nor ever has in the slightest instance in the filling or the excavating of the tank at the corner of Johnston street. The company is quite content to leave such matters to the good judgment of the fire wardens and the city council.

FIRST PATENT IN CHINA.

The Chinese government, according to German papers, has granted its first patent. It is for an electric lamp, the inventor of which is an inhabitant of Nanking, who calls his lamp the "bright moonlight," and asserts that it is far superior to foreign glow lamps and other Chinese devices.

LONDON'S FINEST MANSION.

Staford House, Home of the Duke of Sutherland. The Duke of Sutherland's London home is certainly the most beautiful palace, not only in the British Isles, but in one of the most European capitals. Disraeli in one of his novels described it as "not unworthy of Vienna at its best."

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Some Russian Papers Have Incorrectly Interpreted the Emperor's Words. St. Petersburg, June 23.—The official interpretation of the Emperor's speech to the delegation of the Zemstvoists and Mayors at Peterhof on June 18th is given in the "Interior" as follows: "The Emperor's words were not intended to allude to the interior of the Empire, but to the interior of the Empire in the sense of the convocation of representatives of the people on the basis of the existing constitutions of the countries of the Empire, whereas it was clearly shown by the Emperor's speech, the condition of such a convocation were to be based on a number of things regarding the fundamental laws of the Empire, consequently the central administration of affairs, by order of the Minister of the Interior, informs all publications appearing without censorship that the Emperor's words can be published only in the form in which they were reported by the official messenger, without additions or omissions. In order to prevent distortion of the significance of the imperial words, it is found necessary to prohibit publication in the press of any kind of reports or interpretations which do not accord with the direct and clear meaning of the Emperor's utterances."

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Our London Letter.

London, June 9.—Royal visitors to our shores are doomed, it would seem, to see our climate at its worst. A few months back the King of Italy visited England, and during his stay in London the metropolis was enveloped in so thick a fog that he had to give up back with a vague and gloomy impression of our great city, and now the King of Spain has arrived, and although the month of June, there has been a continuous downpour of rain since the day he came. The decorations of flags and so forth with which London was made gay long lamp and dripping and present a most melancholy appearance. Extraordinary precautions have been taken by the police authorities here during the stay of the young King, and he is everywhere accompanied by a strong bodyguard of soldiers. This is of course, owing to the attempt on his life made in Paris. The young King himself seems to be among the least concerned about his safety, and, perhaps, has a boyish relish for the spice of danger that attends his visit.

Never before have the arrangements for a command performance at the Royal opera been so prolific a source of such laudatory to do honor to the young King of Spain. The scene inside the opera house was indeed a symphony of red. Rows outlined the tiers of boxes and were festooned round the Royal box above the draperies of yellow and white, and in the auditorium, which connect the Royal box with the Spanish colors typical in crimson rambler roses and French yellow daisies were entwined and always with the happiest effect. As is usual on such occasions, the Royal box occupied the centre of the grand tier, and those privileged to witness the gorgeous brilliancy of the scene I presented on the arrival of the Royal party will cherish it as a memory of a life time. The lights emphasized the fire of precious diamonds behind the screen of lovely orchids, and the uniform of the men added not a little to the brilliancy of the remarkable whole. King Alfonso wore the white uniform of a Field Marshal in the Spanish army, and King Edward honored his guest by wearing also Spanish uniform. In the box were Queen Alexandra, the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Princess Margaret and Patricia, Princess Christian, Princess Irene of Batavia, the Duchess of Saxe, and almost every member of our English Royal family. The society was naturally represented in the House, which was certainly one of the finest sights we can hope to present to any foreign guest.

On the retirement of Mr. Gully from the Speaker's chair, it was almost a foregone conclusion that his successor would be Mr. J. W. Lowther, and that such is the case in a matter for sincere congratulation. Mr. Lowther was appointed without any opposition, and with the unanimous consent of all parties. As chairman of ways and means and deputy Speaker for the last ten years he has given ample proof of his capacity to discharge the duties which attach to the position of Speaker of the House of Commons. Mr. Lowther, after a short speech of thanks for his acceptance by the House, was conducted by the mover and

THE CZAR'S SPEECH.

Some Russian Papers Have Incorrectly Interpreted the Emperor's Words. St. Petersburg, June 23.—The official interpretation of the Emperor's speech to the delegation of the Zemstvoists and Mayors at Peterhof on June 18th is given in the "Interior" as follows: "The Emperor's words were not intended to allude to the interior of the Empire, but to the interior of the Empire in the sense of the convocation of representatives of the people on the basis of the existing constitutions of the countries of the Empire, whereas it was clearly shown by the Emperor's speech, the condition of such a convocation were to be based on a number of things regarding the fundamental laws of the Empire, consequently the central administration of affairs, by order of the Minister of the Interior, informs all publications appearing without censorship that the Emperor's words can be published only in the form in which they were reported by the official messenger, without additions or omissions. In order to prevent distortion of the significance of the imperial words, it is found necessary to prohibit publication in the press of any kind of reports or interpretations which do not accord with the direct and clear meaning of the Emperor's utterances."

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BUDGET OF NEWS FROM PORT SIMPSON

Closing Exercises at Public School Followed by Open Air Games—Destructive Bush Fires

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Port Simpson, B. C., June 25.—Port Simpson public school closed on the afternoon of Friday last and was one of the chief events of the season. The closing exercises at the school were held in the school room which was decorated with bunting, cedar wreaths, and flowers and ferns. The exercises were presided over by the Rev. Mr. Hartling, in the various branches of study and acquitted themselves with credit, while the programme of lessons was interspersed with well selected recitations and choruses, which were also well rendered by the pupils and much enjoyed by those present.

At the close of the exercises Rev. Mr. Grenfell presided at the rolls of honor to the following pupils: Marsden L. Alexander, for proficiency; Bertram Flewinn, for department; and Margaret Brentzen for regularity and punctuality. Prizes were awarded to Sophia Brentzen for diligence, to Albert and Evelyn Richards for proficiency in their classes, and to Marsden L. Alexander for English and Canadian history. Speeches were made by the audience, followed by the presentation of prizes, after which all joined in heartily in singing the National Anthem.

The out-of-door afternoon was spent in playing games in the open air, the older people joining with the little ones in their fun until the hour of refreshments. The shed had also been tastefully decorated, and the small tables together with the floral arrangements and pretty dresses worn by the children made a very pretty picture indeed, and the day was a complete success in every way.

Mrs. Hartling will leave by the steamer Amur to-morrow for her summer holidays in Victoria. Her many friends here wish her a happy vacation and hope to see her back in Simpson again this fall.

Miss McIntyre, who has for some time been a patient of the hospital here, will also be a passenger for Victoria on the Amur. She will remain away for three months in order to regain her health, until which time Miss Blanchard will relieve her at the Girls' Home.

The place is exceptionally quiet here just now. Last week the cannery tugs must have cleared out some thousand Indians, counting the Hydah and Simpson tribes. Most of the whites have gone away for the summer, and the two of the hospital nurses have gone to Fort Essington to open the summer hospital, while Nurse Burpee remains here to look after the patients.

The C. P. R. are giving us an excellent mail service now, and it is exactly what the port has wanted for a long time. The steamer Princess May is here to-morrow morning from the south and the Amur from the north about the same time. Who could wish for better?

But then, seeing that Port Simpson is to be the terminus of the C. P. R. the steamship companies may well afford to begin and work up a patronage on the northern coast.

The weather is beautiful here and has been so for some weeks—no rain at all worth mentioning. Thunder was heard here all Friday afternoon, but was very far away. Reports from the Skeena say it was terrific down there.

Bush fires have been the cause of the alarm on the telegraph line. Late yesterday the weather in the Middle Dunes islands here has been on fire for two days, and great clouds of smoke are rolling up here from the horizon. The Indians say the fire on Annet's island appears to be in the direction of Port Chester.

NIVELLE FROM LIVERPOOL. Ship Reached Royal Roads Last Evening After Passage of 154 Days.

The British ship Nivelle, Capt. McMillan, completed a long voyage from Liverpool to this port last evening. She came into the roads and anchoring there for the night was towed to the outer wharf this morning, where she will discharge upwards of 1,000 tons of her cargo. This is consigned to R. P. Rithet & Company, the firm being the ship's local agents. The balance of the cargo of which there will be about 2,500 tons, is destined principally for Vancouver.

The freight is a very large one for a sailing vessel. But the Nivelle is a large vessel, her tonnage being 2,292, and her carrying capacity proportionately great.

In speaking of his voyage this morning Capt. McMillan is reported that he was out 154 days from Liverpool, a trip protracted more than is usual, perhaps, by unfavorable weather. A number of sailing vessels were sighted, one being the Antozogea for Port Townsend. She was spoken about two weeks ago. The Nivelle brings a large quantity of cannery supplies.

CUSTOMS REVENUE. Ottawa, June 30.—The customs revenue of Canada for the year ending to-day is \$41,534,573, an increase of \$1,225,961 over the same time last year. The total customs revenue in 1896 was \$20,219,000, so that it has more than doubled since then.

The customs revenue for June was \$3,721,837, in increase of \$12,216 over June, 1904.

The Paris Rothschilds were, and doubtless still are, as difficult to get near as any private bank in the world, if all accounts be true. The visitor who would see "the House" at its great business establishment in Paris has to explain his way past several outposts of armed ligues.

A popular book, at a low price, has been known in Russia to reach a sale of 2,000,000 copies within a few months of its appearance.

PROGRESS MADE AT JUBILEE HOSPITAL

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST YEAR

Annual Meeting of Subscribers Was Held Thursday Afternoon—Officers For Ensuing Twelve Months

Thursday afternoon the fifteenth annual meeting of subscribers and donors to the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital was held in the council chamber of the city hall. The president of the retiring board of directors, B. S. Day, occupied the chair, and among those present were Messrs. Dalby, Hall and Robertson, and Messrs. T. Shotbolt, James Forman, A. Wilson, F. B. Pemberton, Dr. Hasell, R. E. Brett, H. D. Helmecken, K. C., and Secretary Elworthy. After the usual routine a budget of reports was submitted.

The first of these was from the board of directors and was as follows: "Before presenting the fifteenth annual report of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, the directors desire to place on record their profound regret at the loss they have sustained by the decease, on the 14th March, of their colleague, the late Isadore Braverman. Mr. Braverman's appointment was made by the French Benevolent Society fifteen years ago, and while his health permitted, he was most regular in his attendance at the board meetings, as well as the meetings of the finance committee.

"The chief event of the past year has been the opening of the Strathcona wing. The ceremony took place on the occasion of the graduation of the hospital group under the auspices of Mrs. J. A. Douglas, to provide funds towards furnishing a room in the new wing in memory of the late Sir James Douglas, K. C., the Right Rev. Bishop Grigg offered the dedication prayer, after which the president narrated the history and purpose of the wing, and formally declared it open.

"The directors acknowledge with grateful thanks the kindness of the following friends who have furnished the rooms in this wing: Colfax Lodge, No. 1, Degree of Rebekah, I. O. O. F.; Daughters of Charity; King's Daughters of Vancouver Island; Organized Labor in Victoria; Women's Auxiliary; Mrs. J. A. Douglas; Mrs. Dunsmuir; Mrs. B. Dunsmuir; Mrs. H. Dallas Helmecken; Alexis Martin, Esq.; W. and Mrs. L. Peor Trench.

"A suitable tablet has been placed in each room to commemorate these acts of generosity. "A graduate nurse has been put in charge of the work in this wing, and the large number of patients treated therein has amply demonstrated its usefulness.

"The extra number of patients has called for a considerable increase in the staff, and we wish to point out that while an extra number of pay patients has been treated, we have also had an unusual number of free patients in the wards, and despite civic and provincial aid, we have only just met our expenses. Nor is this to be wondered at, for the extra number of nurses and medical treatment at this hospital supplies, cannot be obtained for the same amount in the city or south.

"The Women's Auxiliary has again urged upon the advisability of proceeding with the erection of a children's ward. Sketch plans and estimates were obtained, and one which best met the requirements was approved by the ladies, as well as by the board. Inasmuch as the present accommodation for nurses is not sufficient, no increase in the nursing staff can be made until rooms are provided for their use. The cheapest way to do this is to make the proposed ward two stories high. The estimated cost of the building, if one floor only, is \$4,900; if of two stories, \$7,900. The Woman's Auxiliary has the greater part of the former sum collected, and is zealously gathering the remainder. The other sum, of \$2,700, has to be found by the board before the children's ward can become a habitable and working reality, unless some temporary means of providing for the nurses can be found.

"Now, however, we say that the addition of a second story to the proposed children's ward will give us the room we require for nurses, the plan is by no means an ideal one, but merely the cheapest one we can find.

"We think the nurses deserve a building distinct and separate from the wards in which, after their arduous work and exacting duties, they can obtain relaxation and rest away from all suggestions of hospital surroundings, and where they can seek relief in innocent merriment, from the feelings naturally engendered by constant contact with the suffering, without any fear of disturbing patients by their leaving an occasional 'good time.' It is too much to expect that some good friends will provide this hospital with a suitable home for nurses?

"Many minor improvements are required and are not made from lack of funds. Amongst these may be mentioned new flooring in some of the wards, and cork carpeting in the corridors to replace linoleum which has had fifteen years' wear.

"During the year we have treated free 806 city patients for 9,800 days, at \$120 per diem (the government grant having been allowed for) making a total cost to the hospital of \$118,808, in return for which we received \$4,901.

"The Women's Auxiliary has continued to do its work in the most efficient manner, and the directors are indebted for the proposals which resulted in donations of furniture for rooms in the Strathcona wing. The proposed children's ward is almost entirely provided for by these ladies' efforts, in addition to donations of hospital general supplies amounting to about \$1,900 during the past twelve months, particulars of which will be found in their printed report.

"To the Daughters of Pity the directors are indebted for two garden sheds, and for the maintenance of the premises to the sterilizer, and other things, which will be found enumerated in this society's printed annual report.

"The King's Daughters have been ever mindful, and among other endeavors to cheer the sick have plentifully supplied flowers throughout the year.

"Mrs. Wm. McDowall and Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M. B. C. R., paid donations of \$100 and \$50, respectively, towards furnishings for the children's ward, to our honorary treasurer, Mr. James Dunsmuir, and supplied coal, as in former years, at a very low price, and the fuel bill is some hundreds of dollars less than it would have been but for this generosity. Particulars of other donations will be found in the printed accounts of the board.

"The Victoria Daily Times and Victoria Daily Colonist have assisted the directors in notices and gratuous copies of their papers have been delivered at the hospital for the use of the sick poor and nurses. Many of the directors' meetings have been held in the Victoria Board of Trade rooms, which are generously placed at our disposal without charge. Articles of every description have been received from numerous donors and acknowledged in the newspapers. Although intimations of votes of thanks have been sent by post, in each case, the directors cannot allow this opportunity to pass without gratefully expressing their grateful thanks and appreciation. The encouragement derived from this evidence of interest in the hospital from so many sources greatly stimulates the directors' efforts in behalf of the institution.

"The directors also thank the visiting medical and surgical staff, resident medical officer, matron and staff, who by their untiring good services, have done so much to promote the welfare of the patients and the efficiency of the hospital.

"Attention is directed to the detailed information which will be found in the reports of the honorary treasurer, the audited accounts and reports of the resident medical officer, and matron, and steward, which are appended hereto."

Next was the appended abstract from the treasurer's statement:

Receipts. Account current for year ending May 31st, 1905. Grant, bequests and donations, \$16,038 06. Patients' fees, 20,221 65. Parity receipts, 588 95. Savings Bank, 1,500 00. Canadian Bank of Commerce, 520 53. (overdraft) 520 53. \$30,422 49.

Expenditures. Expenses as per statement, \$36,294 10. Strathcona furnishing, 1,760 71. Savings Bank, 21 21. Canadian Bank of Commerce, paid last year's overdraft, 1,832 47. \$30,422 49.

I have examined the above statement of receipts and expenditures with the books and vouchers of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital and I find the same to be correct.

(Sgd.) W. CURTIS SIMPSON, Chartered Accountant, Victoria, B. C. June 19th, 1905.

The appended report was received from the resident medical officer, Dr. H. D. Helmecken, and his report for the year ending May 31st, 1905. The total number of patients treated during this year was 1,058, and in 1904 the number was 1,048, making an increase of 10 patients for last year.

"The total collective days' stay was 21,307 days, as against 19,858 for last year, making an increase of 1,449 days' stay. The daily average number of patients shows an increase of 4.43; the figures for this year are 58.37, as against 54.94 for 1904.

"The cost of maintenance this year was \$36,294, and last year it was \$33,043.87. The daily average cost per patient was \$17.10.

"The increased expenditure this year includes the completion of the sewerage system, begun in 1904, the purchase of a hot water boiler, installed by the corporation, a new water closet in the cottage, the painting of the corridors and kitchen, the purchase and installation of a baking oven in the main kitchen, the building of new chicken houses, the purchase of an incubator and brooders, the refurnishing of many of the private rooms in the old building, the removal of the main drive, the purchasing of trees and laying out the grounds round the Strathcona wing, and the building of a new sanitary wing. The buildings have been kept in good repair, and numerous alterations, repairs and improvements have been effected by the handy man.

"The increased days' stay is due partly to the increased accommodation afforded by the Strathcona block, and is also still due to the presence of a number of chronically diseased indigent patients who will be discharged, for whom I trust the city will make provision in the Infirmary ward of the Old Men's Home shortly to be erected, thereby relieving the hospital of their legitimate use of the care of curable cases.

"The increased days' stay has necessitated an increase in the staff, which consists of one graduate nurse in charge of the Strathcona wing, one assistant male nurse, four probationers and one ward maid.

"The following are suggestions for needed improvements: The whole hospital, except the recent additions, requires re-roofing with some fireproof material; the floors in the public wards require to be relaid and the linoleum in the corridors should be replaced, as it is quite worn out.

"A diet kitchen is also much required, especially since in the new additions built to the hospital the main kitchen is further away from the wards, and it is very difficult to serve the meals to the patients. The proposed improvement is also very necessary as a means of extending the training of the nurses in cooking for the sick, and would also relieve the work in the main kitchen.

"A new up-to-date X-ray apparatus is very much needed for diagnostic purposes. The apparatus so kindly donated six years ago by Mrs. H. Dallas Helmecken is in almost daily use, and is a valuable therapeutic agent, and many cures have been effected by it; but it is not so powerful enough for diagnostic purposes, and has become quite obsolete through lapse of time, though it is in as good working order as when first installed.

"The Women's Auxiliary Society, the Daughters of Pity, and the King's Daughters have, as in former years, continued their good work, and have contributed largely to the success of the

hospital by keeping up the supply of linen and cookery, by furnishing many other wise unattainable comforts. They have also observed, as in their custom, the feasts of Easter and Christmas by special gifts and by their kind and regular visits to the hospital cheered both patients and staff.

"The clergy of the city have held their usual services on Sunday afternoons. The concerts by friends of the hospital, after the services, have been continued throughout the year, to the great enjoyment of the patients. Warm thanks are due to those ladies and gentlemen who have given their services on these occasions, and especially to Mr. Longfield, who has presided every Sunday at the organ.

"Thanks are due to the visiting medical staff for their gratuitous services to the patients in the public wards at all times of the day, and to the ladies who rendered, also for the kind attention shown to members of the staff when ill and for their painstaking lectures to the nurses in training.

"To all those kind friends who individually or collectively have contributed trees, shrubs, plants and flowers for the beautifying of the grounds, I should like to express my hearty thanks. With the large amount of ground which surrounds the hospital there is always a call and a place for contributions of this kind.

"I beg to express my sincere gratitude to the encouragement and counsel given to me by members of the board of directors, and by the visiting medical staff, the cordial and helpful co-operation of the matron, the devoted duty of the nurses, the faithful work of the employees, and the generous and helpful contributions of the ladies interested in hospital work.

"I beg to enclose detailed lists of statistics for the year."

"The matron's report was as follows: "I beg to submit the following report for the year ending May 1905. The staff consists of Miss Towland, who has charge of the operating room; Miss Macrae, in charge of the Strathcona ward; eight probationers, three probationers, and two male nurses, making a total of 25.

"During the year 42 applications for admission to the training school have been received. Of 14 probationers admitted, 11 were accepted as pupil nurses. The graduating class for the year—Miss Jennifer, Miss Melhuus, Miss Williams, Miss Richards and Miss Child. "Lectures have been delivered by the resident medical officer and the attending medical staff, besides the usual examinations of the class work of the school. The Women's Auxiliary have been untiring in their work for the hospital, keeping up the supply of linen and china, attending to the sewing and helping in many other ways.

"The Daughters of Pity and King's Daughters have also been ever ready to help, and have done much to make the wards bright and cheerful for the patients.

"We would also thank the many kind friends who have kept the wards supplied with books and magazines and flowers."

H. D. Helmecken moved the adoption of the reports. He thought all would acknowledge the progress made towards making improvements in the institution during the past year. All the directors deeply appreciated the assistance rendered them by the ladies' societies, and the Women's Auxiliary, the King's Daughters and the Daughters of

Pity. He was glad to see that these organizations were represented. Concluding, he expressed the hope that the co-operation among the ladies in the interest of the hospital would continue for many years.

Seconding this motion, Jas. Forman stated that the appreciation of the directors felt for the assistance of the ladies could be better understood when it was pointed out that but for the help of their \$1,000 towards the maintenance of the hospital its supporters would this year be face to face with a deficit.

The resolution was carried unanimously. The election of directors was then dealt with, Messrs. H. D. Helmecken, A. Wilson, F. B. Pemberton and J. Musgrave retiring. The first three were nominated for re-election, and the ladies, Mrs. Rocks-Robertson, acting as spokesman, submitted the name of P. S. Barnard in place of Mr. Musgrave. There being no more nominations they were selected.

Shortly after the meeting adjourned.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS. List of Those Gazetted Last Week—Other Notices.

The following appointments are gazetted in last week's issue of the provincial government publication: Robert James Stenson, of Kaslo, to be mining recorder for the Ainsworth Mining division; registrar of the County court of Kootenay holding office as district registrar of the Kaslo registry of the Supreme court, and registrar of voters for the Kaslo electoral district, from the 1st day of July, 1905, in the place of Alexander Lucas, resigned.

William John Green, of Kaslo, to be deputy mining recorder for the Ainsworth mining division, from the 1st day of July, 1905.

Miss C. M. Fawcett, to be a clerk in the office of the mining recorder at Kaslo.

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