

ALL BODIES OF MINE VICTIMS RECOVERED

Thirty-Two Lives Were Lost by the Explosion at Extension—Funerals of the Dead Taking Place To-Day.

(By Staff Representative of the Times.) Ladysmith, Oct. 7.—The suspense of the people of Ladysmith is at an end in regard to the recovering of the bodies of the victims of the awful explosion on Tuesday morning in Extension mine. The last missing forms, those of Hermann Peterson and Mike Doncalovich, were this morning borne out and placed in the temporary morgue, just as many of the others were being transferred to the train.

blowing out of a shot, or the collecting of gas owing to a defect in ventilation. Any of these things could have caused the trouble. Frank Sheppard, chief mine inspector, said that the mine was not in very bad condition considering the circumstances. Everything had been done that could have been done and the mine would soon be ready for working again. The inquest on the bodies of the victims would be delayed until they had made a thorough examination of the mine and then it would be concluded.

TWO OF THE VICTIMS.



1. Thompson Parkins, and daughter, who survives him. 2. Oscar Nyman.

At present sounds to them like screech. The last two bodies to be taken from the mill were those of Peterson and Doncalovich. They were found some distance from the others, and the brattice work had to be carried forward before the men could advance into the mine. Inspecting the Mine. The mine is now practically free from gas and the dread fire-dread has all been swept away by the current of fresh air from the outside. To-day Chief Inspector Sheppard, Inspector Dick and the mine officials have commenced their work of inspection, and the clearing up and repairing of the mine is still being continued. When the official inspection has been made the officials will be in a position to give an opinion as to the origin of the explosion. Manager Interviewed. Andrew Bryden, manager of the Extension mine, was seen last evening just after he came out from a long shift which was rewarded by the recovery of two of the bodies of the unfortunate victims and the finding of more.

will at once commence a canvass of the city and will take up a collection in the mines. They will also be open to take subscriptions from those outside. There is no immediate distress, but some of the families are large and provision will have to be made for them. No official estimate of the number of children has been made, but the committee is now engaged in obtaining the necessary statistics. Fourteen of the men are said to be married, but of that number two or three have their wives in the Old Country. The number of children who are orphaned by the explosion is probably not more than forty in all. Mayor Nicholson, seen this morning, said that he had just received a telephone message from the mayor of Nanaimo offering aid. The Nanaimo city council held a meeting last night and authorized the mayor to make the offer. Mayor Nicholson asked the Times to thank the people of Victoria and of the other cities and districts which had so generously offered help. The people of their little city were at the present time, he said, in deep mourning for their dead, whom they were now burying, but in spite of this they felt grateful and when they had recovered from the shock they would be doubly so. Some of the Victims. One of the saddest bereavements caused by Tuesday's explosion is that of Hermann Peterson, whose body was the last to be found. He leaves three motherless little girls to fight the battle of life. These children will be cared for of course, but their fate is a sad one. It is probable that an effort will be made to have them placed in the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage at Victoria. There were also three step-children, a girl who is married and two boys, who are working in the mines, and who therefore are able to take care of themselves. Mickal Gustav is the fourth member of his family to be taken during the year. Only a few weeks ago his wife died in Austria from the effect of a kick received from a horse. In the (Concluded on page 4.)

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE. Rumor That Henry White Has Been Recalled From Paris.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 7.—It is being persistently rumored in official circles here that Ambassador Henry White has been recalled from Paris and that he will be succeeded by Robert Bacon, formerly the secretary of state. The report, however, is not admitted to be true by the officials of the state department. It is stated that the bond of affection between White and the President is not very strong.

GOLDWIN SMITH STATUE.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—Goldwin Smith, through the president of the Toronto Press Club, Fergus Kyle, thanks the citizens for the suggestion of a statue in his honor, but says at the same time a statue is the final seal and should not be affixed till the record of life is complete.

ROAD ACCUSED OF DISCRIMINATION.

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MISSIONARY DEAD.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 7.—Rev. Egerfon Ryerson Young, missionary, author, canoeist and lecturer, one of the most interesting figures in the Methodist church in Canada, passed away at his home, "Algonquin Lodge," Bradford, after a lengthy illness. He was born at Crosby, Ont., April 7th, 1840, his father being a Methodist minister.

LOST LIFE IN EXPLOSION.



Thomas O'Connell, one of the victims of the Extension mine explosion. He was one of the most popular young men in Ladysmith and known well in athletic circles elsewhere.

SCIENTISTS TO EXAMINE DR. COOK'S RECORDS.

University of Copenhagen and American Society to Make Investigation.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 7.—Duplicate copies of his records made in the dash to the North Pole are being prepared to-day by Dr. Frederick A. Cook, and will be sent to the American Geographical Society and University of Copenhagen, in Denmark. Dr. Cook, in an interview, outlined his plan as follows: "My original records will go first to the University of Copenhagen. I intend, however, to have duplicates made. These will be submitted to the American Geographical Society. I shall request the Copenhagen authorities to withhold their announcement until the American society has had an opportunity to come to a conclusion. Then when the scientists on both sides of the water are ready the announcement will be made simultaneously in both places."

RETIREE OFFICERS WILL COME HERE.

NUMBER DECIDE TO SETTLE NEAR VICTORIA. City and Surroundings Offer Attractions to Men of Moderate Means.

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Oct. 6.—Col. Gordon, of London, who is on a visit here, is interested in Vancouver Island as a place of residence for retired officers of the British army. For several years he has been engaged in bringing that district to the notice of officers of the army who are living retired in various parts of Britain. Recently he crossed the continent with a party of officers who went through to Victoria and who expect to make permanent homes near there. Most of the officers whom Col. Gordon hopes to interest have no close attachments to bind them to England. They are of independent income, but not so large as to enable them to live in the most expensive ways. Near Victoria they can get all the land they want and can live as they cannot expect to do in the Mother Country. They will build good homes and will prove in all respects desirable residents. Col. Gordon will discuss land along the Alberni extension with Mr. Whyte of the C. P. R. while here.

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WALKS MILES WHILE ASLEEP.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 7.—Wrapped only in her night gown, barefooted and bareheaded, Mrs. Ella Murphy, while in a state of somnambulism, left her home on Park avenue and reached Seventeenth street and San Pablo avenue before she was awakened. When she awoke after Policeman Pleasant had accosted her, Mrs. Murphy had walked two miles. She fainted when she realized what she had done. Even after she had been awakened by the policeman, it was some time before she fully recovered her senses. Except for being thoroughly chilled, she seems to have sustained no bad after effects from her exposure.

CANADA'S RESOURCES.

(Special to the Times.) Montreal, Oct. 7.—Lord Balfour, of Burleigh, addressed the Canadian Club yesterday afternoon. He expressed himself as being very much pleased with the magnitude of Canada's resources, the use to which they were being put, the growth of the country and its development, and the great possibilities opening up before it.

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TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS FOR CANADIAN NAVY.

Fleet of Dozen Warships, Drydocks and Shipbuilding Plants Included in General Scheme to Be Considered by Cabinet.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Oct. 7.—The government's naval defence plans to be submitted at the coming session of parliament will, it is stated, involve a total expenditure during the next six or seven years of about \$20,000,000 with probably a yearly appropriation of about \$3,000,000.

The whole scheme is, however, still to come before the cabinet council for consideration and details as to the number, character and disposition of war vessels to be built, whether for service on the Atlantic or Pacific, are still to be worked out. It is understood the proposals to be submitted for consideration contemplate a fleet of a dozen vessels, including cruisers, torpedo boats and destroyers. Drydocks and Canadian shipbuilding plants capable of building and repairing the largest class of vessels are part of the general scheme. The question as to what portion of the contemplated fleet is destined for the Pacific coast service has not been considered in council. Another Report. Toronto, Oct. 7.—The Canadian government is to spend \$20,000,000 in building destroyers and cruisers according to an announcement from Ottawa. The yearly maintenance of these vessels will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. Three war vessels are to be kept on the Pacific coast and nine on the Atlantic. It is not certain that the ships will be built in England, as British ship building firms have offered to locate in Canada. The announcement made to-day was the result of the imperial defence conference held recently in London, when it was decided that Australia should have local squadrons and that New Zealand should contribute cash toward the British coast fleet.

JEALOUS LOVER SHOT BY POLICEMAN.

Vaudeville Actor Wounded While Searching for His Rival.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 7.—Milo Crocker, aged 32, a vaudeville actor, is in the city hospital to-day with a bullet wound in his stomach that is believed to be fatal. He was shot late last night by Patrolman Charles B. Melson, following a quarrel over a girl. Crocker and the girl, Edith Livingston, had attended a dance at Dreamland hall. Crocker, according to the girl, told her that if she went home with anyone else but him he would cause trouble. She paid no heed to his threats, shortly after Melson was notified that Crocker was looking for the man who accompanied the girl to her home. The policeman met the jealous man on Sixth avenue and ordered him to drop the big hunting knife that he was carrying in his hand. Crocker refused and made a lunge at the officer. Melson then fired. Crocker is a son of M. D. Crocker, of the American Paint & Wall Paper Company, of this city.

TAFI WILL NOT SEND BATTLESHIPS TO PACIFIC.

No Necessity for Presence of Fleet Under Present Conditions.

San Francisco, Oct. 7.—Two points in President Taft's address here are the subjects of much conversation in the city. His endorsement of a ship subsidy bill and his plain insinuation that the Pacific Coast need not expect a battleship fleet in the Pacific from his administration under present conditions.

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ARMY IN MOROCCO.

Military Leaders Submit a Scheme for Placing 150,000 Troops in Field.

Madrid, Oct. 7, via Hendaia.—After a conference lasting throughout the night, military leaders to-day presented for King Alfonso's consideration a scheme of placing an army of 150,000 men in the field against the Rif tribesmen, while a like number are held in reserve, prepared to go to the front on a moment's warning. The government officials are much worried over the internal disorders, and also by the probabilities of war with Mulai Haed, the Sultan of Morocco.

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# TERRIBLE DISASTER IN MINE AT EXTENSION

## MORE TROUBLE WITH LATERALS

### WATER COMMISSIONER ASKS FOR INSTRUCTIONS

City Barrister Says Owners of Vacant Land Can't Be Made to Pay.

At Monday's meeting of the city council a letter was read from Water Commissioner Raymur referring to the application of the owners of property on Belmont avenue for lateral connections for water supply at the same time that the street was being improved. He had written the property owners asking them to agree to pay for the cost of the same and had only received answers from four of them. In regard to Linden avenue he asked was it the wish of the council that the city should compel the owners to pay four-fifths of the cost, as this would certainly result under the by-laws governing the matter at present.

In this connection a report was received from the city barrister to the effect that the city had no power to compel the owner of property to make connection for and purchase city property.

Ald. McKeown thought the situation was becoming complicated. The people on Linden avenue didn't anticipate that they would be charged with the expense of putting down the water and sewerage connections any differently from any other street in the city. But apparently the way it was now being handled was to pay.

The city solicitor pointed out that there was no by-law before the council fixing the payment at the figures mentioned by the water commissioner. Ald. Henderson remarked that the council had, however, passed a resolution to go ahead with the work, and now in view of the opinion from Mr.

## ALL CANADA IS BOOMING

### WHOLE DOMINION EXTREMELY PROSPEROUS

So Declares R. L. Richards of Toronto, Now Visiting City.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) "Canada is throbbing with activity from one end to the other. I never saw in all my travels across the Dominion such evidence of abundant prosperity. The whole country seems to have awakened to renewed life. We are on the eve of great development." So spoke to the Times this morning R. L. Richards, of Toronto, late of the firm of Miller & Richards, type foundry, who is touring the west for the first time in five years. He is a guest at the Empress hotel and will remain in the city for a day or two.

Mr. Patterson said that all accounts of the magnitude of the wheat crop in the prairie provinces could not exaggerate the situation in the slightest. The crop was one of the greatest in the history of Canada. "And that money obtained by the farmers from the sale of their wheat is so much true wealth added to the country," continued Mr. Richardson. "It's better to have money made this way than in juggling with real estate. In the wheat crops we have so much new money absolutely created, whereas in real estate transactions the money merely passes from hand to hand."

Mr. Richards referred in glowing terms to the excellence of the Empress hotel. It was, he said, one of the finest hostilities he had seen either in Europe or this continent. He spoke of the rotunda of the hotel as being easily the finest he had ever seen in all his travels.

Mr. Patterson retired from the active management of the firm of which he had for forty-five years been the guiding mind only the other day, his son Harry succeeding him in the ac-

## RAILWAY ROUTE TO HUDSON BAY

### ENGINEERS ARE NOW PREPARING REPORT

It is Probable Nelson Will Be Recommended as Terminus.

Winnipeg, Oct. 5.—Engineers who have been out surveying the line for the Hudson Bay railway are preparing their report here for presentation to the government at the coming session of the Commons. Indications all point to the recommending of Nelson as the terminus instead of Churchill. At the latter point Premier Roblin has had a man squatting on a townsite for the last four years and he stands to lose heavily.

Nelson offers better harbor facilities, is open for a longer period, has a much greater flow of water and is not subject to blockade from floating ice from the bay or river. The railway line to Nelson would be easier and cheaper in construction, is seventy miles shorter, runs through timbered country, offering better protection from drifting snow, and avoids a climb over the Height of Land, separating two rivers. An engineer is now out making an examination of Hudson's straits, preparing data as to the movement of ice, fogs, winds and tides, affecting navigation.

### JEWELS STOLEN.

Pittsburg, Oct. 5.—Jewels to the value of \$4,000 were stolen from the residence of Henry R. Ross in this city, being taken from a dressing table in Mrs. Ross's bedroom. Although the robbery occurred several days ago, it has just been made public by the offer of a large reward and the efforts of a private detective agency to recover the jewels.

### STAMPS AND CASH STOLEN.

Ottawa, Oct. 5.—The post office at Peckanok, Que., was robbed of some cash and postage stamps yesterday.

## BURNED TO DEATH IN APARTMENT HOUSE

Man Loses His Life and 20 Families Have Narrow Escape.

(Special to the Times.) San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 5.—More than twenty families were forced to flee for their lives and Morris Lindsay, a drug clerk, was burned to death in a fire which broke out early to-day and destroyed the four apartment houses on Eddy street, between Franklin and Gough. The property loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Lindsay was employed as a drug clerk by Wm. T. Kibbler, of 473 Larkin street and his body was found this morning in the ruins at 871 Eddy street, where he lived. There were a number of narrow escapes.

## BRITAIN MAY ASSIST SPAIN

### HOLY WAR HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED IN MOROCCO

Thousands of Fanatics Are Flocking to Side of Tribesmen.

### (Times Leased Wire.)

London, Oct. 5.—International difficulties are likely to be precipitated by the announcement that Great Britain proposes to take a hand in quelling the rebellion of the Riff tribesmen in Morocco.

It was learned to-day that yesterday's cabinet meeting was called for the purpose of considering the situation. The British nation is alarmed by the alleged discovery that Spain was forced into the Riff war by France for the protection of French interests. Convinced that Spain is defeated, it is now believed that France will take up the fight. It is generally believed here that Germany is attempting to extend its domain in Africa by assisting Mulai Hafid, who is reported to be assisting the tribesmen in their fight against Spain. It now seems probable that Great Britain will go to the assistance of Spain in suppressing the rebellion. Declare Holy War.

Gibraltar, Oct. 5.—A holy war of extermination was declared by the Mohammedan priests of Morocco, together with the Riff tribesmen to-day, and thousands of fanatics from the interior are pouring into the native camps. The Spanish troops at Melilla are being hedged in, according to dispatches received to-day.

## CHOLERA SEIZES HOLD ON RUSSIA

### SIX THOUSAND DEATHS HAVE BEEN REPORTED

Threats of European Nations to Quarantine Empire Stir Officials to Action.

### (Times Leased Wire.)

St. Petersburg, Oct. 5.—Russian authorities, becoming alarmed at the threat of other European nations to quarantine the czar's domain, to-day are considering measures for combating Asiatic cholera, which is increasing in the Russian capital and the larger cities of European Russia. Six thousand deaths from more than 15,000 cases of cholera failed to stir Russian officials into action until threats were made by other nations to take upon themselves the task of imposing necessary sanitation on Russia from without. The plague has been spreading rapidly with the approach of winter and now threatens the wealthier portions of the capital.

### HANDLING GRAIN.

G. T. P. Will Move Ten Million Bushels Between Edmonton and Winnipeg This Year.

Edmonton, Oct. 5.—E. J. Chamberlin, general manager of the G. T. P., arrived yesterday and took a look over the railway situation in the city. In company with Mr. Mann, division engineer, he inspected the work on the G. T. P. shops. In answer to an inquiry as to what assistance the G. T. P. would give toward the moving of this year's grain crop, Mr. Chamberlin said the new line would move ten million bushels of grain this year between Edmonton and Winnipeg.

### ENDS HIS LIFE.

Toronto, Oct. 5.—Adm. Kerr, aged 70 and out of work, committed suicide and left a pathetic letter saying he could not get work and would not live to be a charge on his friends.

### GOLDWIN SMITH STATUE.

Toronto, Oct. 5.—A movement to erect a statue to Prof. Goldwin Smith is meeting with influential support.

## Twenty-Eight Men Are Entombed in the Workings of Wellington Colliery Company This Morning.

## IT IS FEARED IMPRISONED MEN HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES

## Effect of Explosion Confined to Slope In Which It Occurred—Work of Rescue Is Now in Progress at Colliery.

Another disaster has overtaken the mines at Extension, where the extensive workings of the Wellington Colliery company are situated.

Twenty men are entombed, with the chances for their rescue very slight indeed. The catastrophe is due to an explosion which took place early this forenoon and which has thrown the trinity of mining towns of the coal districts—Ladysmith, Extension and Nanaimo, into a ferment of excitement.

The first intelligence of the disaster came over the phone to the Times office and to the head offices of the Wellington Colliery company in this city shortly before noon. The two reports coincided very closely as to the number of men who had been overtaken in the explosion, placing the number at about twenty, although a report from Nanaimo put it as high as sixty men.

Extension, the scene of the explosion, is situated about ten miles from Ladysmith, which is the shipping port for its ores, and is connected with it by a line of railway which carries the majority of the miners, who prefer to live at Ladysmith, to and from their work.

The report received by the colliery company in this city was very brief. "All we know," said Mr. A. Lindsay, treasurer of the company, "is that an explosion has taken place and that the men then working in No. 2 mine have been entombed."

"We have been unable to get communication with any of the officials of our company, doubtless because they are busy superintending the work of rescue. There were twenty men on shift this morning and the remainder of the force are now engaged trying to effect their rescue. The superintendent of the mine is Mr. Andrew Bryden."

One of the officials of the company or possibly more, will go up this afternoon to take part in the work of attempting the rescue of the men.

### FEARED ALL HAVE PERISHED.

Nanaimo, B. C., Oct. 5.—A terrific explosion occurred at the Extension mines of the Wellington Colliery company this morning about 9 o'clock. Twenty men are entombed and it is feared have perished. The news reached town about 11 o'clock and about 11:30 a miner arrived from the scene of the accident.

His story is that the explosion occurred at 9 o'clock. He and his father were quitting the mine and were bringing out their gear. They had reached the main tunnel when the explosion occurred, which, so far as he could learn, was right where they had left.

The shock was terrific, the stoppings being blown out and doors unhinged. The effects of the explosion were confined to the slope on which it occurred. All the other men in the mine got out unhurt.

There are three levels, however, which at 11 o'clock had not been heard from. In these levels are about twenty men, and only a driver and trapper have come out. It is impossible to get at these levels and it is feared that all the men have perished. Rescue work is now being attempted.

### The Scene of the Accident.

The location of the explosion and the spot where a score of men are to-day entombed is in No. 2 mine, which starts at the inner end of the big No. 1 tunnel—a tunnel which was driven a mile through solid rock.

All the coal from No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 mines is now brought out through this tunnel by electric motor haulage. The three slopes formerly used as haulage ways before connections were made with the tunnel are still kept open, and are used as travelling ways and return air courses for their respective mines.

The report of the inspector of mines for the last year thus describes the workings:

"In No. 2 mine all the working places are to the dip of the inner end of the big tunnel. About 240 yards to the east of the tunnel are two slopes, known as No. 2 east slope and the diagonal slope. This latter was driven down into and across a basin, but now that the motor road has been extended, a road has been made around the eastern end of the basin and the slope done away with, except that there is a travelling way and ladder therefrom out of the mine. The coal in this part of the mine is very thick; about 50 per cent. of it is left as pillars, to be removed at some future time.

"In No. 2 west slope most of the mining done is the extraction of pillars, although some pillar and stall work is carried on. The coal from here is of excellent quality; but the seam is thinner than it usually is; there is, however, a very solid conglomerate roof requiring little timber, and adding to the safety of working. The prospects for a supply of coal from here for some years to come seems good.

"I have frequently examined the mine in all its accessible places, and I have always found the mine well timbered



LAYING CORNER STONE OF NEW SCHOOL ON MOSS STREET ON MONDAY AFTERNOON

Taylor the city can't compel the people to pay after the work has been completed. The council would be making a mistake if it proceeded very far under a policy of that kind.

The city solicitor pointed out that the water by-law compels the commissioner to offer to put down pipes in anticipation that the connection will be demanded by the property owner. There was a charge of \$10 for this work. And under the system it is proposed to adopt this city would simply advance that sum of money until such time as the connection was needed.

Ald. McKeown thought the only proper way to proceed would be to get an agreement from all the property owners. The city could easily finance it for the people who can't pay.

Ald. Henderson thought that the council would be only complicating matters by any such procedure if they did not go very cautiously.

Ald. Fullerton thought it would be a great pity to have Linden avenue torn up after being improved in order to put down lateral connections. One difficulty that ought not to be forgotten, however, was that when the property on a portion of that thoroughfare came to be subdivided it might be found that the water connections would be in the wrong place.

Ald. Ross was of the opinion that the city had a perfect right to do the work—was, in fact, doing it now. There was no reason in getting frightened at little difficulties as they arise. Ald. Raymond agreed with Ald. Ross. He cited the case of Belleville street where the city had put in all lateral connections. Why not do the same on other streets?

After some further debate it was decided to take the whole question up again at Friday evening's meeting of the streets' committee.

## THOUSANDS FACING STARVATION IN MEXICO

Suffering Acute Among People Left Homeless by the Recent Flood.

## REORGANIZING THE CHINESE NAVY

Commissioners Take First Steps Toward Providing Modern Force.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5.—As a humble beginning in the work of equipping China with a modern naval establishment, Prince Tsai Hsun and Admiral Sah, naval commissioners entrusted with this gigantic task, according to advices just received from Washington, have taken steps to ascertain the number of existing men of war and vessels.

This done, they will inaugurate a policy, it is said, of raising the necessary funds to enlarge the navy, of fostering naval education and inspecting naval bases.

## PROF. STRINGHAM DEAD.

Acting Head of University of California Passes Away.

Berkeley, Cal., Oct. 5.—Prof. Irving Stringham, acting head of the University of California, who was to have presided at the Traft meeting in the Greek theatre this morning, died just two hours before the president arrived at the University grounds.

Prof. Stringham took charge of the affairs of the University three months ago, when President Wheeler started on a trip to Europe. He accompanied Wheeler to the train, but immediately afterward became ill of uremic poisoning, and this morning succumbed at Alta Bates sanitarium.

London, Oct. 5.—Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador to Great Britain, received the honorary degree of LL.D. from the University of Manchester, at the hands of Viscount Morley, chancellor of the institution, yesterday.



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GRAND TRUNK ACTIVE HERE

SURVEYORS ARE BUSY AT SITE FOR DOCKS

Understood That Project Will Involve the Expenditure of About \$50,000.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company is displaying great promptness in its preparations to build docks in the inner harbor in this city at the site on the waterfront, which was acquired some time ago for this purpose.

For some days past a gang of surveyors have been taking levels on shore and soundings have been made off shore to determine the depth of water at the wharf approaches. It is understood that these soundings have resulted most satisfactorily, it being shown that there is ample water at every stage of the tide for the largest type of vessels which are accustomed to come into the harbor.

While the plans for the wharf and office buildings have not yet been prepared, a report is current that they will be on a large scale, costing in the neighborhood of \$50,000. Judging from the activity of the surveying party now at work, it is assumed that it will be possible to make a start on the wharf at a very early date.

Official announcement has yet been made in respect to the steamers which will be utilized by the Grand Trunk Pacific in its service from the wharf to Prince Rupert, but it is assumed that such craft will be acquired by purchase, as the wharf here will be ready for use much sooner than similar vessels for the run could be constructed.

AUTO FALLS FROM ROAD INTO RIVER

Three Occupants Have Great Difficulty in Reaching Banks.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 6.—H. J. Kingman, the Philadelphian Press courier, brought a message from President Taft to President Chibberg, of the exposition, and two companions, are in Seattle to-day after having narrowly escaped with their lives in the final dash of the long overland automobile trip.

Just after dark last evening as Kingston, a parson, machinist and Hugo Dotzer, driver, were rushing along the road near North Bend and following close to the bank of the Snoqualmie river in the big Studebaker car, the machine slid from the muddy road and turning over landed in the river. The men were all hurled into the water, which at the point, where the accident happened is 20 feet deep.

ASQUITH SUMMONED TO BALMORAL BY KING

Premier Leaves House During the Debate on the Budget.

London, Oct. 6.—Premier Asquith left London unexpectedly last evening for Balmoral, whether he was summoned by telegraph by the King.

The premier left the House of Commons in the middle of the debate on the most important clause of the budget.

The summons followed an interview between his Majesty and Earl Cawdor, one of the most influential of the opposition lords, and it is generally believed that the royal influence is being exerted to avert a grave constitutional struggle.

MONTREAL'S NEW SCHOOL.

Montreal, Oct. 6.—The new mechanical school, the corner stone of which was laid last night at a ceremony in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Lomer Gouin, F. D. Monk, M.P., and others participated, is being built at a cost of \$800,000. Instruction to be given in both English and French. The school will have accommodation for 1,000 boys, day and night schools combined.

PROVINCE DID WELL IN FOWLS

GOOD POULTRY AT A.-Y.-P. EXPOSITION

British Columbia Made Excellent Showing, Carrying Off Many Prizes.

The A.-Y.-P. exposition stands for national progress, but not for that alone. It is also an advocate of the resources of the Pacific coast.

The British Columbia exhibit of poultry was small, but it was very unfortunate that circumstances were so unfavorable for the exhibitors from the province. It was practically impossible for some exhibitors to have their stock sent to the exhibition and have it returned satisfactorily.

As in live stock, so in poultry—Canadians generally hold their own. In horses alone Canadians have done exceptionally well, having captured nearly all of the first, champions and grand champions in the heavy classes.

In Partridge Wyandottes, Tallman took first with a cock of excellent shape; another cock from his yards took third. In hens he drew first and second, with superior birds. He also had some single-comb Black Minorcas, which made good. Second was placed upon one of his hens. She was a fine specimen, showing good shape and having that "catchy" appearance.

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CHINESE REFORMS BEING CARRIED OUT

Steamer Keemun Brings News From Flowery Kingdom—Military School.

News from China was received by the steamer Keemun of continued reforms in the government of China. The most important of these was an edict recently promulgated by the emperor, through the minister of justice, making judicial appointments good for life.

NEW ENGLAND FISH COMPANY SELLS OUT

Canadian Concern Has Taken Over Control of Affairs.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 6.—The plant, good-will and vessels of the New England Fish Company, an American concern operating out of Vancouver, has been purchased by a Canadian concern, the Canada Fish Company. The price was in the seven figure column.

TO HOLD CONTEST.

A meeting of the boys' work committee of the Y.M.C.A. was held Tuesday evening in the association rooms when it was decided to hold a membership contest in the boys' department. This is an annual affair and the members generally take a great amount of interest in the competition. It will start in about two weeks' time and remain open for a few weeks.

PRINCE RUPERT NOW BOOMING

CAMOSUN IN WITH NEWS FROM NORTH

Large Land Sales—Steamer Brings Sample of B. C. Pulp.

The steamer Camosun, Union Steamship Company, Captain Saunders, arrived Wednesday at the outer wharf, Prince Rupert and way ports, after landing 120 passengers at Vancouver. The Camosun brought no cargo. She went into Spratt's ways this morning to clean. She will be cleaned in and out in preparation for the winter trade.

Captain Saunders reports a rough trip down from Prince Rupert in bad wind, fog and mist all the way. Passengers came down from Prince Rupert and also from Swanson Bay. She brought to Vancouver a small sample of Swanson Bay manufactured pulp, the first pulp manufactured in British Columbia. It was consigned to the company's offices at Vancouver.

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POPULAR LECTURES AT EMMANUEL CHURCH

Rev. W. Stevenson Delivers the First of Series Tuesday Evening.

The first of a series of popular lectures was given at Emmanuel church on Tuesday by Rev. W. Stevenson, the pastor, whose subject was "Love, Courtship and Marriage," which he described as "the oldest new thing" on earth.

In a tender, witty, sympathetic vein Mr. Stevenson dealt with his subject and the enjoyment of the lecture by the large audience present was testified by applause and laughter.

The chair was occupied by C. H. Lugin. During the evening Robert Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Parritt and Mrs. McIntyre rendered vocal selections.

A resolution of deep and heartfelt sympathy with the sufferers in the Extension mine disaster was adopted by a standing vote, on motion of the chairman, seconded by Wm. Marchant, Rev. Mr. Stevenson asked Divine aid for the bereaved ones.

The next lecture in the series will be by Dr. Hat on the post of the habitant, the late Dr. Drummond.

TELEPHONE BONDS.

London, Oct. 6.—The \$10,000,000 worth of the 4 per cent. thirty-year first mortgage bonds of the New York Telephone Company, issue price 96, applications for which were invited Monday by Baring Bros., are in great demand. The lists were closed, and the bonds were quoted at a premium of 2 1/2 per cent.

MEETING WILL BE IMPORTANT

QUARTERLY SESSION OF BOARD OF TRADE

A Number of Questions of Great Local Interest to Be Discussed.

What will likely prove one of the most important and interesting quarterly general meetings of the Victoria, British Columbia, Board of Trade, held for many months, is set for Friday afternoon next at 2 o'clock. The list of business to come before the board includes the president's report of the business done by the council during the past quarter, the proposal of the provincial government to construct wagon roads between the coast and Alberta, the desirability of arranging for the continuance of a double daily passenger service between Victoria and Wellington, and the carriage of mails on passenger trains, and the project for the construction of a new opera house in Victoria.

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ORGANIZING WOMEN'S INSTITUTE IN PROVINCE

Miss Laura Rose Has Succeeded in Interesting Ladies in Vicinity.

During the fall of 1908 the services of a lady speaker from Ontario were secured to visit the various institute districts and speak before the women of the work of Women's Institutes, and the work being attained by them in some of the eastern provinces and states.

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CONTRACT FOR DOCK LET.

Ottawa, Oct. 6.—Henri and Smith, Ottawa, have been awarded by the Public Works Department the contract for the big dock at Mission river, near West William, at a cost of about \$350,000.

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SIX HUNDRED CHINESE SAIL

CYCLOPS LEFT FOR THE ORIENT TO-DAY

Takes Whale Oil and Salmon—Busy Time at Wharf on Wednesday.

A long line of delivery wagons piled high with luggage and Chinese proceeded down Government street all the morning and thence through the James Bay district all the forenoon held the eye of the pedestrian for the moment, and many were the enquiries regarding the apparent outflux of Chinese from Victoria.

Before 10 o'clock there were six hundred Chinese congregated at the outer wharf from the local Chinatown. There were also several hundred Chinese who were there to see their countrymen aboard the big Blue Funnel liner Cyclops, which sailed with its yellow hulls at 1 o'clock to-day for the Orient.

Accompanied by a multitude of baggage, packages of delicacies, clothing all done up in nondescript parcels, the departing six hundred, with a multitude of smells, waited the sailing of the steamer. At 8 o'clock there was a large brigade at the wharf. At 9 o'clock the delivery wagons still drew up with luggage, and at 10 o'clock the consignments were still arriving on the wagon road from New Westminster and the old Cariboo through the canyon of the Fraser would be utilized. The road would eventually strike Alberta on the border of Ban County.

In regard to the continuance of the double daily train service on the E. & N. the board has been pressing this matter on the attention of the company for some time, and during the recent visit of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy to the city, the head of the C. P. R., while he did not hold out much encouragement, gave it to be understood that the company would be disposed to listen to further representations on the matter. It has been pointed out by the board that it might be possible to secure increased subsidies for the service. The company would be disposed to listen to further representations that even with it; the additional aid that might be forthcoming in this way, the road would be operating the double daily service during the winter months at a loss of about \$400 per month.

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VICTORIA TO HAVE METHODIST CONFERENCE

Great Quadrennial Gathering Comes Here Next Year—Rival Cities of Halifax and London Lose to Capital of British Columbia.

Victoria has been selected for the general conference of the Methodist church to be held in August or September of next year, this gratifying and important announcement having been made in a press dispatch from Toronto, where the special committee had the matter of the choice of a city for the great gathering before them yesterday.

That Victoria has triumphed in the keen competition for the honor of having the conference is a tribute not only to the superior advantages and attractions of British Columbia's capital city, when compared with any other city in Canada, but to the energy displayed by the representatives of the church here and the various public bodies whose services were enlisted in the endeavor to bring adequate pressure to bear upon the special committee at Toronto.

Local pastors and other citizens yesterday sent telegrams to Rev. J. W. Sparling, D. D., Rev. T. Albert Moore, Rev. N. Burwash, LL. D., Rev. Solomon Cleaver, D. D., Rev. G. W. Kerby, J. N. Lake, John George and N. Wesley Rowell, K. C., Toronto, Mayor Hall some time ago also forwarded a pressing invitation in his official capacity. That these messages had a good effect and that when the claims of the cities who were rivals in the matter—Halifax, London and Victoria—this city outclassed the others is shown by the announcement of the decision of the committee. The honor which has been conferred upon Victoria is all the greater when it is considered that the arguments which were advanced on behalf of Halifax and London were not very convincing. The maritime province send a big representation to the general conference, and London would score when the matter of expense came to be considered, for it is more centrally situated than either Victoria or Halifax. It has been estimated that the additional cost by the selection of a point so far west as Victoria will be at least \$10,000—so it will be seen that when all these features are taken into consideration Victoria has scored a veritable triumph.

The members of the local committee who had the matter in hand had been kept well informed as to the progress of the debate at the special committee respecting the choice of site for the conference, and it appeared that much of the opposition to the selection of Victoria came from Dr. Griffin, the treasurer, who pointed out the greater expense involved in such choice.

The general conference of the Methodist Church of Canada has never been held at least 200 delegates in attendance, and with the wives and friends accompanying them the entire party will no doubt total 600. As they will spend up-

ward of a month in the city, and as on their return to their homes in the east such visitors invariably make many public addresses and publish newspaper articles, giving their impressions of the city in which the conference has been held, the resultant advertisement to the city and Vancouver Island will be very great.

The general conference is the legislative body of the Methodist Church of Canada and it is anticipated that much business of more than ordinary importance will be transacted next year, as the attitude of the church to the question of denominational union will be defined. Great progress has been made in the movement of the union of the Methodist, Congregational and Presbyterian churches, and it is likely that a further advance will mark the proceedings in Victoria in 1910.

The conference is held once in every four years. Present at the deliberations of the body are fraternal delegates from other parts of the world—namely from Great Britain, the United States and the Antipodes.

The genesis of the movement to secure for Victoria the conference of next year is that just after the last conference the Tourist Association of Victoria made a strong recommendation, which was endorsed by the city, that consideration should be given to Victoria's claims for the next quadrennial gathering. This was endorsed by the British Columbia general conference and again affirmed last year. Rev. T. E. Holling, of the Metropolitan Methodist church; Rev. A. E. Roberts, Victoria West; Rev. S. J. Thompson, of the Centennial Methodist church, have been indefatigable in their efforts in pressing Victoria's claims. On the formation of the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League, the good work in this direction initiated by the Tourist Association was energetically taken up by Secretary McGaffey, who yesterday kept the wires hot between here and London and keeping influential members of the committee bombarded with telegrams urging Victoria's claims. The happy result must be attributed to the fine work on the part of the forces mentioned.

The members of the Canadian Methodist church, who constitute the committee which met on Tuesday and which makes the preliminary arrangements for the conference, are: Rev. E. B. Ryckman, D. D., Rev. J. W. Sparling, D. D.; Rev. S. Cleaver, Rev. W. Griggs, D. D.; Rev. W. H. Heartz, D. D.; Rev. J. A. Rankin, Rev. R. N. Burns, D. D.; Rev. G. W. Kerby, Principal D. Allison, LL. D.; Rev. F. Moore, A. D. Watson, M. D.; W. E. Willmott, Rev. H. Sprague, D. D.; Rev. N. Burwash, LL. D.; Rev. T. A. Moore, J. N. Lake, C. B. Keeley, John George, Rev. Justice MacLaren, Thomas Hilliard, Prof. W. F. Osborne, H. F. Judger, Cyrus A. Birge, and Newton Wesley Rowell, K. C.

HOCKEY CLUB GETS READY FOR SEASON

Officers Elected Tuesday and Preparations Made for Year.

The Victoria Hockey Club held a meeting on Tuesday at the Balmoral hotel, which was largely attended by enthusiasts who wish to see this year's hockey team the best ever organized in this city, and one which will be able to make a creditable showing against some of the other provincial teams. The local men are going in for hockey strongly this year, and altogether a successful season is looked for.

The business before the meeting last evening was of an important nature. Plans were drawn up for holding a big hockey ball on November 5th, and a committee consisting of the following was appointed to look into the matter and make the arrangements: C. J. Paget-Ford, W. Mason, E. Sears, J. M. Lawson, H. G. Dalby and N. Montgomerie. It was also arranged to hold a meeting at the Balmoral hotel on October 15th, when the committee appointed to look into the matter of securing grounds for the coming matches will make its report.

The officers for the ensuing year were also elected. William Mason, one of last year's enthusiasts, was elected as captain of the team, and Edward Sears was elected secretary-treasurer. The other officers elected were as follows: Hon. president, Hon. William Templeman; president, Col. E. G. Prior; vice-presidents, G. H. Barnard, M.P., A. T. Goward, Mayor Hall, John A. Lugin, Percy Williston, Jr., C. H. Lugin and George Gillespie; captain, W. E. Mason; vice-captain, Ed. Sears; executive committee, Sidney Winsby, John P. Sweeney and Jack Lawson.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TO ISSUE NEW STOCK

Montreal, Oct. 6.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific railway held here to-day, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy announced that a new issue of \$30,000,000 capital stock at \$125 per share would be made. The present stockholders will be allowed to subscribe for the new stock on the basis of one share to every five now held.

DEVELOPMENT WORK AT SQUASH MINES

S. H. Reynolds Returns From Inspection and Tells of What is Being Done.

S. H. Reynolds, managing director of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines returned on the last trip of the steamer Queen City from a trip of inspection to the Squash mines at the north end of Vancouver Island. When seen by a Times representative Mr. Reynolds said that the development work was going on quite satisfactorily at the new mine. There are 20 miners working, the maximum number allowed by law in a mine with only one shaft. In the near future however, it was proposed to sink a second shaft, which will connect with the one at present in use.

"We have in all half a mile of roads and tunnels at the mine," said Mr. Reynolds, "and these will be extended as fast as possible. At present the work is purely of a development character but we are supplying coal to tugs and other small crafts plying up and down the coast. The coal is hard and burns clear, giving an intense heat. Our vein on which we are working is from four to five feet thick."

The village which is springing up near the mouth of the mine already has a population of fifty or sixty and as soon as the development work warrants the employment of more men, a town is sure to be established at that point.

DIES ON STEAMER.

New York, Oct. 6.—Marquise Mary Des Montiers-Morville, formerly Miss Gwendolyn Caldwell, daughter of the late Wm. S. Caldwell of Louisville, Ky., died yesterday on board of the steamer Kron Princessin Cecelle just as the liner arrived off Sandy Hook. She had been suffering from Bright's disease for a number of years and was returning home for treatment. In 1897 she married Marquis Des Montiers-Morville. Her husband, is in Paris. She leaves a fortune of several millions, including vast estates in America.

LIVES ON FIG DIET.

Avalon, Cal., Oct. 6.—After living for sixteen days on a fig diet, without water, John Brinkley announced to-day that he had gained eight pounds during his fast- ing period. Brinkley, who is known here as "Chicken John," undertook his fast to prove the nutritive value of the fruit of the fig tree.

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THE LADYSMITH DISASTER.

We have enjoyed such immunity for some time from calamities in our coal mines that the explosion in Ladysmith comes with all the more suddenness and force.

The heart breaking dread and fear which such a calamity entails on wives and children and friends is such as to evoke the deepest sympathy of the whole community.

Coal mine calamities, like those at sea, have a peculiar horror because of the elements of mystery and unusual circumstances which attend them. In each case men battle for their lives against odds so unequal that the element of tragedy is enormously increased over ordinary accident.

Ladysmith has had her share of such experiences. We can only hope fervently that in this case the loss of life may not be as great as is feared.

THE FUNCTION OF THE PRESS.

The office and functions of a newspaper have been often defined, but rarely, we think, in such full and comprehensive yet brief terms as by Lord Burnham, owner of the London Telegraph, in an address to the International Union of the Associations of the Press in its recent gathering in London. Lord Burnham is one of the fathers of journalism in the old land, a personal friend of His Majesty, and took a prominent part as one of the hosts of the English press at the recent press conference. Welcoming the members as a division of the army of Peace and Goodwill, he described their functions as cosmopolitan. He added:

"What is your mission? In one word, it is humanity—the welfare, the culture, the progress, of humanity. These are real things. The sun rises on a better world every day. I have seen it stated that the great calamities of the globe have risen from sea level, or ocean depths, by slow, silent movements. You might have lived the longest life by the side of Mont Blanc and never have known that the huge mass grew any higher. But it was rising; it was being uplifted all the time. So it is with human society—upward, ever upward. And you are helping in the process, sometimes leading in the way of reform—sometimes, as I hope and believe, restraining revolutionary movements too hurried, too violent. You and I know—nobody better—how vast, though often unperceived, is the work of the journalist. On the world of the press the sun never sets. The pen of the writer, the brain of the thinker, the pencil of the reporter, the wire of the correspondent, the project of the manager, the vigilance of the editor, fill the lifelong day. They know no difference of light or dark. Withdrawn from the gaze of mankind, usually unknown, working often in obscurity, they are yet leaders in the van of progress. Internationally we have a great work to do. It is not given to man to determine or even to foresee the line of human development. A divinity doth shape our ends. But it may be given to us to save our generation from shock on the one hand and from stagnation on the other; to smooth the path of advance; to teach the nations that honor is nobler than dominion; justice grander than sovereignty; the role of the peacemaker higher than that of the conqueror, and that knowledge is the loftiest form of power."

A TIMBER POLICY.

The evidence gathered by the Timber and Forestry Commission throughout the province all tends to the endorsement of the Liberal policy in regard to the timber wealth of the province, a policy which the McBride government has adopted bodily, just as it has made its own so many other of the wisely-conceived and popular policies of the opposition.

Long ago the Liberal party declared that licenses of timber limits should be for a lengthened period instead of the limited tenure of twenty-one years adopted some four years since. The McBride government would not hear of this, and some members of the cabinet were known to be strongly opposed to it; are still, it is whispered. But in the end the government adopted the Liberal view, and the recent inquiry followed Premier McBride's announcement of last session. There is no doubt, considering this official statement and the nature of the evidence heard by the commission, that one of the main recommendations to be made will be that licenses be perpetual, or at any rate so long as there is timber of commercial value on the limits.

There was a rather wide difference of opinion among witnesses as to what should be done in regard to the annual license fee or rental paid by limit-holders and the royalty of fifty cents a thousand paid on the cut. This difference was more accentuated in regard to the rentals, the source of nine-tenths of the present provincial revenue from timber. It is urged by many license-holders that the rental should be fixed for all time on the present licenses, but in view of the ever-increasing value of stumpage this does not seem fair to the province. While, of course, the licensees are entitled to some guarantee as to what they will have to pay. A proper solution of the difficulty would be a revision of the rental every five years, say, the revised figure to come into effect twelve months after the legislative session.

It will be advisable for the province to adopt regulations in regard to the manner of cutting timber, the size to which trees shall be cut, what shall be done with the brush left after logging, and so forth. As there is bound to be a tendency towards holding limits for speculative purposes on the part of some people there must be a regulation inserted in the licenses, as in Dominion licenses, giving the government power to call on holders to put in a mill and log their limits. This would protect the people against a timber monopoly and protect millmen against any attempt to put up the price of logs on them.

Whether the tenure of licenses were to be dealt with or not it is quite imperative that the forests should be protected from fire, which has been destroying millions of dollars worth of timber every year. It would be well to extend the present system of firewarding, which is said to have had a marked effect in diminishing loss this summer, so as to ensure a complete and efficient patrol of the woods during the dangerous season. The Department of the Interior has an effective patrol in the railway belt. There is no doubt that at least one-half of the cost of this service should be borne by license-holders. The railways start a great many fires, and it is possible for the province to assess the cost upon the user of the land.

There must be large areas of the province under timber lease which are suitable for agriculture. From the statements of lumbermen to the commission the percentage is small; the commissioners appear to have been disappointed in this regard. It may be doubted, however, whether witnesses did not minimize the amount of such land. But whatever the extent the provincial government would be well advised to adopt the Dominion policy of compelling limit-holders to cut the timber off agricultural areas when these are needed for settlement. This should not apply, of course, to stray quarter-sections or even whole sections, but only where there is some considerable extent of land, and a reasonable time should be given the holders to get the timber off.

A suggestion made to the commission by John Oliver, of Delta, in regard to the inclusion in licenses of a requirement that fair wages be paid, is worthy of adoption. There is ample precedent for this in state and municipal practice nowadays.

back and wait the government to extend the lease indefinitely. In my humble opinion the McBride government has been doing a very loose business regarding the public domain ever since they have been in office, and I respectfully call the attention of the voters of Vancouver Island at the next election to bear in mind that they are paying the share, towards an eminent commissioner at the same time the government is transferring the land mostly to aliens as fast as possible, and it's up to the voters to make a change.

GRAND JURY ON FIRE DANGER

Public Buildings Should Be Fireproof Attention Drawn to French's Menagerie on Account of Escaped Lion.

The necessity for better protection from fire in buildings where large numbers of people are assembled, and a reference to French's menagerie, were the features of the presentation of the grand jury made to Mr. Justice Irving this morning. The grand jurors are of opinion that all public buildings should be, as far as possible, made absolutely fireproof.

In regard to the menagerie, the jurors considered that it should be periodically inspected by the proper authorities, but they declined to take any action which might be an interference with Mr. French's rights.

The presentation was as follows: Hon. Mr. Justice Irving. Sir—We, the grand jury, congratulate your lordship on the few cases for trial at this assize. That there is only one case originating in the city of Victoria we consider speaks volumes for the orderly conduct prevailing in this community.

We visited the Old Men's Home and to record our opinion that better fire protection for fire protection should be afforded. In consequence of the enfeebled physical condition of the inmates, we recommend that this matter receive immediate attention.

Our visit to the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital was without warning, and we are pleased to find everything possible being done for the comfort and relief of the patients, those of whom we made enquiries expressing themselves as perfectly satisfied with the treatment they are receiving. We were glad to find, since the last visit of the grand jury, that the bathrooms and female wards have been painted, and we hope the management will soon be in a position to continue the work of painting the premises, both inside and out. We were informed that the necessary funds are not available. We found a number of cases standing in one of the corridors containing one of the latest and most efficient X-ray apparatus procurable in England. The apparatus arrived some months ago, but has not yet been set up in consequence there being no suitable room available provision for which is due to shortage of funds. The construction of a building for tuberculosis patients is delayed for the same reason.

We were very satisfied with affairs at the provincial jail, excepting the approach, where the steps require renewal. The police station calls for no comment other than our satisfaction with everything we inspected.

With reference to fire protection generally, we consider that in future all buildings, such as schools, halls, hospitals, theatres, hotels and other places where people are assembled, such buildings being of more than two stories, should as near as possible be absolutely fire proof.

We desire also to call attention to the Swan Lake, which, we are informed, is a menace to the safety of the neighborhood community. We recommend periodical inspection by the proper authority.

Respectfully submitted, SIMON LEISER. "With reference to the menagerie in the neighborhood," said his lordship, "if the grand jury means that it is a nuisance, and that the animals should be dealt with as such, why it can be done at once. If, on the other hand, you are not prepared to go to that extent, I do not know what I can do. I suppose a nuisance has a right, if he like a keeper sort of animals locked up, only being responsible in case of their escape, but if you wish it treated as a nuisance I will give him notice and have the place closed down."

Foreman Leiser explained that the reason the jury made this recommendation was that one of the animals was at present at large. At the suggestion of his lordship they retired to consider whether they would present the menagerie as a nuisance or not, and on their return the foreman stated that they did not want to interfere with the rights of any citizen, but the public must be safeguarded. They would not declare the place a nuisance, but desired to call the attention of the government to it.

His lordship thanked the jurors for their services and promised to forward their recommendations to the proper quarters.

A SETTLER'S COMPLAINT. To the Editor: Is it not true the McBride government are paying Mr. J. H. Turner as emigrant commissioner in the city of London? Is it not also true that when emigrants arrive in Victoria they are told there is no government land for entry on Vancouver Island?

Now, the supposed owners of the E. & N. railway belt, the C. P. R., have withdrawn the land from entry on the E. & N. railway belt? Is it possible the new owners can do this thing without the permission of the government?

Another thing I wish to call to your attention is the fact that a portion of the parties that have obtained timber licenses for twenty-one years have come

PROSECUTION IN PENTY'S CASE

DEFENCE POSTPONED FOR ONE WEEK

Detective Claydard's Evidence Held to Be Non-admissible by Lawyer.

(From Thursday's Daily.) In this police court this morning the preliminary hearing of the charge against John Penty in connection with the death of Alex Forfar at the engine rooms of the Empress hotel was commenced. John Penty is the engineer in charge of the engine rooms. It will be remembered while the repairing of one of the boilers was in progress and Forfar was inside steam passed into the boiler, has death resulting four days later. Mr. Penty, the chief engineer, is charged with manslaughter arising from the finding of the coroner's jury.

This morning the evidence for the prosecution was all put in, after which an adjournment was taken for one week. Mr. Penty was represented by R. T. Elliott, K. C., while H. W. R. Moore prosecuted. The theory advanced by the prosecution for the steam being introduced into the boiler was that a valve in a tube leading into boiler No. 2 where the accident happened, was wrongly placed. From the three boilers tubes lead to a common tank which connects with the sewer. In blowing off any of these boilers the steam and water is allowed to pass into the common tank. The prosecution contended that by the valve leading to No. 2 being not fully shut off, steam from No. 3 while being blown off passed into No. 2 and scalded the unfortunate young man who was inside boiler No. 2 at the time. As the engineer in charge Penty is held responsible for the accident.

This morning Dr. G. A. B. Hall, who attended Forfar, was the first witness examined. He testified to having been called to the scene on September 9th. He described the injuries. Repairs had been made to the boiler, and the rivets in place. He "got off" the boiler, and he asked the man asking what was the matter. Forfar then crawled up and he helped him out through the manhole. Witness saw steam coming out. He had worked for 30 years on boilers. It was the chief engineer's duty to see that the way to get it out was to introduce a draught of fresh air. The air would not go into the workings unless actually forced to do so. There had to be an intake and outlet. This was made good by putting a brattice or partition through the level around one end of which the air had to pass. If this brattice was broken the air rushed through the opening thus formed and did not get any farther in. It was this brattice work that had to be repaired before it was safe to go in. A step or two ahead of where the air was circulating meant certain death.

Asked as to the result from the blowing out of a shot, Mr. Brydson said that the shock which should expand itself in loosening the coal when blown out expanded itself in the air in the mine. This disturbed the dust on the timbers, and also started a blaze. If there was any gas in the roof it was likely to be forced out and the result was an explosion.

At the time of a disaster of this kind it is customary for many of the people in a mining community to forswear the mines and all that pertains to them. Men often leave the town, but they are back again soon, and in a few weeks may be found in their own stalls. The wife of one of the victims at Ladysmith burned the mining clothes of her two boys who were working in one of the mines, and declared that they should never enter a coal mine again. These resolutions are never kept, for there is a fascination about the business which cannot be resisted. Everyone returns again, once they have familiarized themselves with the work.

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ALL BODIES OF MINE VICTIMS RECOVERED

(Continued from page 1.)

spring his brother was driving a load of hay when from some unknown cause the load upset and the man was killed. Quite recently his mother died, and now the family is extinct with the shutting out of the life of the man Mickal. He was a quiet, unobtrusive man, and was little known in the community to which he had recently come. This was the reason his body remained so long unidentified.

Andrew Moffatt was about to give up the life of a miner to enter the grocery business with his father-in-law, Nainaimo. His body was taken to his father's home. A Fast Run. An incident which is worthy of record in connection with the sad affair was the record trip made by the Extension train to Ladysmith and back to bring the doctor and the mine manager to the scene.

Jimmy McKay, who is usually the most careful of engineers, was told to hurry as the case was urgent. He opened the engine throttle wide and in 23 minutes had dashed down the twelve miles to the city, picked up the passengers and was back at the mine. The conductor set his teeth and gripped the brake wheel in case they might be needed, for at times the train was rushing far faster than a mile a minute. It is customary to come to town pretty fast, but this was a record run and McKay is proud of it.

The catastrophe which has overtaken the city of Ladysmith has come as a sad anti-climax to the year of prosperity which the city has passed through. There has of late been so great a demand for the Extension coal that many ships have been unable to get their bunkers filled at the port, owing to there not being enough coal to go round. The mines have been worked at full blast all the time, and the explosion occurred no less than 500 men were employed on every shift in the workings running out from the one tunnel.

The result of this steady demand for the coal and of other causes the city has been steadily growing. New buildings have been erected and those already there have been improved. Other evidences of the permanency of the prosperity were shown in the improvements to the streets, the sewerage system and other public conveniences. Now has come a set back, but it will be only temporary. The mines will be running again next week but the bereaved hearts do not heal so easily, and the scars caused by the awful event of October 5th will long remain.

Clearing Mine of Gas. Alex. Brydson, seen last night just before midnight, as he left the mine with a shift, said that the mine was then almost free from gas. It would be a little time before the debris caused by the cave-in could be removed and the mine straightened out. This would, however, be only a matter of a short time. The examining of the face of the workings could not be proceeded with. Some people who were not miners rather wondered why they were so slow getting into the mine. After an explosion the tendency was always for the mine to fill up with gas or afterdamp, and this would lie in the workings for an indefinite period. The way to get it out was to introduce a draught of fresh air. The air would not go into the workings unless actually forced to do so. There had to be an intake and outlet. This was made good by putting a brattice or partition through the level around one end of which the air had to pass. If this brattice was broken the air rushed through the opening thus formed and did not get any farther in. It was this brattice work that had to be repaired before it was safe to go in. A step or two ahead of where the air was circulating meant certain death.

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WILL CROOKS IN VICTORIA

NOTED LABOR MEMBER ON WAY ROUND WORLD

Speaks of Social Revolution in England and Position of Labor Party.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Will Crooks, member of the parliament of the United Kingdom for Woolwich since 1909, is in the city to-day and will lecture this evening in the A. O. U. W. hall on the advanced legislation secured during the last few years. Mr. Crooks is on a tour of the empire to learn of labor conditions in each part of it. He has gone through Canada with open eyes, but he modestly declines to discuss our conditions or make suggestions, but he will talk freely of things as they are in the old land. "I am here to observe and learn, not to advise," he says. His life has been a strenuous one, and during most of his fifty-seven years he has been a toiler. In addition to making a livelihood he has given largely of his time for the last twenty years as a representative of his fellow workers on public bodies. He has been a member of the London County Council since 1892, chairman of the Poplar Board of

Guardians since 1898, is a member of the Metropolitan Asylum Board, and in 1901 was mayor of Poplar. Not only among workmen he is intensely popular, but the confidence of the people generally in him is shown by his frequent re-elections to parliament and the bodies mentioned.

In appearance Mr. Crooks is a typical representative of the British artisan. He is of sturdy build, slendery, shrewd and alert, with a sympathetic face, a heavy mass of black hair and a pointed beard, both lightly sprinkled with grey. To a Times reporter this morning Mr. Crooks talked freely of labor conditions in England.

"The labor party in England has an influence far greater than its numbers in parliament indicate," said the member for Woolwich. "In many a constituency in which no labor candidate was run we found a marked disposition to defer to the desires and demands of the working class. And if a promise is given to vote in the workingman's interest, or give consideration to measures affecting the people at large, I

can assure you that we do not let that member forget it. The demeanor of the labor members has always been such as to inspire confidence in their ability and reasonableness on the part of the people. Frequent tributes have been paid to them by leaders of the big parties—Mr. Asquith, Mr. Balfour, Mr. Chamberlain and others have spoken warmly of the debating ability of the labor members and of the value of having in the House men with first-hand knowledge of industrial conditions.

"There is a social upheaval going on in Great Britain, but it is progressing sensibly, sanely and safely. The people at large are becoming more and more alive to their right to representation in parliament by real representatives instead of by the self-constituted ruling classes, to their right to have legislation enacted which will be in the interests of the mass of the people instead of privileged classes, to the crying need for legislation which will go some way to relieve the awful social conditions which condemn so large a proportion to poverty and starvation."

Mr. Crooks was asked what line of action the labor party pursued in parliament. "We are perfectly free and independent," he replied, "and our attitude is well known and thoroughly respected by both parties. While we may be generally supposed to be friendly to

FIRES RAGING IN NORTHEAST ALBERTA

Several Persons Reported to Have Lost Their Lives.

Calgary, Oct. 7.—The fire that is at present raging in Northeast Alberta is assuming alarming proportions. Already one life is lost. Mr. Yageron, a Swede, lost his life through devotion to duty in fighting the flames. His niece, Mary Segstad, is at present lying in the Columbian hospital, suffering from injuries sustained in the fire. Other lives are reported to have been lost, but no details are at present available.

Welcome Rain. Wainwright, Alta., Oct. 7.—A heavy downpour of rain last night has quenched all the prairie fires in this district.

FANS PICK PIRATES TO WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

Advance Sale of Seats for Baseball Game Breaks All Records.

Pittsburg, Oct. 7.—The champion Detroit Tigers arrived here to-day and are in fine fettle for the first game of the world's championship series with the Pittsburgh Pirates, which starts to-morrow at Forbes field. The national commission also is here and will inspect the field this afternoon.

The advance sale of seats has been the greatest in the history of the national game. Eighteen thousand reserved seats have been sold for each of the games scheduled for Friday and Saturday. When the umpires call the teams to action it is predicted that no less than 35,000 spectators will be in attendance at each game.

Betting is brisk on the outcome of the series, the Pirates being 2 to 1 and 8 to 5 favorites. At least \$300,000 has been wagered at these odds.

THREE KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Passenger and Freight Trains Collide on the Inter-

Campbellton, N. B., Oct. 7.—Three dead and one probably fatally injured was the result of a head-on collision on the inter-colonial at Nasset creek, thirty miles west of here. The maritime express, west-bound, and a special freight, east-bound, crashed together on a curve. Both engines were demolished. The crews had no time to escape.

The driver, John Morton, Campbellton, engineer of the Maritime express; S. J. Whelan, Moncton, N. B., engineer of the freight; W. Morrison, Sussex, N. B., express messenger. All were instantly killed.

W. Cook, Campbellton, fireman, had his foot amputated and was badly scalded, and is not expected to recover. The mail clerks and brakemen were badly shaken up. The passengers in the express escaped unhurt.

All the dead were married and leave families.

BORN.

HOLLAND—On the 2nd inst. at 125 Camosun street, the wife of Frederick J. Holland, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

ADAMS-COOLEY—On the 5th inst. at St. James' church, James Bay, by Rev. J. S. Stewart, J. M. Adams, of Edmonton, Alta., to Bertha Louise Cooley, youngest daughter of Henry Cooley, Esq., of Victoria.

DIED.

McGRAW—At Vancouver, B. C., on the 1st inst., Mary, wife of James McGraw, aged 84 years. Born in Liverpool, England.

SPRAGGE—At the Jubilee hospital, on Monday morning, Oct. 4th, Ernest D. Spragge, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Spragge, of 383 Work street.

FURNER—At the Jubilee hospital, on the 3rd inst., Samuel Henry Stephens, a native of England, aged 55 years.

HAYES—At Victoria, B. C., on Thursday, September 30, 1880, Anne, the fifth wife of Patrick Hayes, a native of Dalhousie, New Brunswick, aged 62 years.

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SAANICH WEDDING AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Capt. Byers, of Sidney, and Miss Harrison Married Yesterday.

(From Thursday's Daily.) A very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Mary's church, Saanich, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Elizabeth Harrison, second daughter of Mr. G. Harrison, was united in marriage with Capt. W. D. Byers, of Sidney.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly gowned in white net over silk and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Mr. William Roberts attended the groom, while the bride was attended by her sister, Miss Maud Harrison, in a dainty dress of white organdy and carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

The groom's gift to the bride was a gold watch and chain and to the bridesmaid a gold brooch. Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's father. The bride's travelling costume was a tailored suit of navy blue with hat to match.

GASOLINE LAUNCH ADRIFT IN STORM

Narrowly Escapes Reefs While on Voyage to Prince Rupert.

Prince Rupert, Oct. 6.—Buffeted by wind and sea, her engines dead, neither food nor water aboard, the gasoline launch Kuro Suma found herself eighty miles above Port Simpson, when Prince Rupert was her destination. The weather was favorable last Wednesday when the launch set out for Prince Rupert with Arthur Pearson and Walter H. Parsons aboard.

POULTRY ASSOCIATION DISCUSS NEXT SHOW

Proposal Made to Have Cat Exhibit in Connection With it.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The regular monthly meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association was held last evening in the Labor Hall.

A letter had been received by the secretary from the Saanich Agricultural Society asking the greatest attention to a number of coops. The Saanich society borrowed quite a number of them for their recent show, and as they serve such a good purpose they have asked for the association to lend them some.

Mr. Large, who was appointed to look into the matter of the advisability of adding a cat show to the annual poultry show, reported that he had been in conversation with a number of local ladies, and all of them agreed to assist in any way they could to make the cat department a success.

Considerable discussion was heard as to where the next annual show should be held. The date has been fixed for the second week in January. The committee consisting of Messrs. Reid, Gard and Nacribe was appointed to look into this matter.

The topic chosen for the next meeting of the association will be "Feeding of Laying and Market Poultry."

Masks are still in use amongst savage nations to scare away demons. A REMARKABLE CASE that of Mr. James McKay, J.P., of Essex, N.S., for two years he suffered with cancer of lip, after using our absorption treatment a few weeks all the cancer was removed and healed. This picture was taken after the cure, in his mouth and throat, with monogram, and to the bridesmaid a pearl crescent brooch, and to the best man a gold scarf pin.

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LOCAL C. E. SOCIETY SELECTS OFFICERS

Interesting Meeting Was Held Last Evening—Convention Reviewed.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The annual meeting of the Victoria City Christian Endeavor Union was held last evening in the James Bay Methodist church. There was a splendid attendance of young people, and the meeting was enthusiastic throughout.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. Russell; vice-president, D. Sprinkling; secretary, Robt. Smith. During the evening Miss Leeson, of Vancouver, sang a solo, which was heartily applauded. A quartet consisting of the Messrs. Smeeth, Messrs. Ferris and Collins sang the favorite song of the recent convention in St. Paul's, "The Way of the Cross Leads Home."

Addresses telling of the St. Paul's convention were delivered by F. A. Cleland, of Vancouver, and Rev. H. A. Carson of this city. Both addresses were listened to with keen delight and the inspiration of the great convention was in large measure reflected in the speeches.

EXCELLENT CONCERT. Harvest Home Celebration at Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Was Success.

Judged from almost any point of view, the concert given at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Tuesday night was a great success. The fine hall was crowded to its full capacity and seats had to be gathered from other parts of the building to accommodate the people.

A few of the numbers were given by talented members of the local congregations: Mr. Byrne, of H. M. S. Shearwater, was loudly cheered in his rendering of "The Better Land" (Coven's); Miss Jeannie McEachern was equally successful in her selection, while Mr. Jas. McAdam and Master Ashley Boyden contributed to the humorous side of things in a character dialogue. But the bulk of the program was given by some of the best known artists of the city.

A feature of the evening which absorbed the remarkable work performed on the piano by Mr. Gleason Hicks. It was first time an audience at the Home had an opportunity of hearing the wonderful instrument to such advantage, but at the request of the committee, Hicks & Lovick Piano Co. kindly loaned one for last night's event.

Two or three selections were played as solos, but the greatest surprise came when the instrument was used with splendid effect for the playing of the accompaniments to not only Mr. Hicks' own songs, but the songs of other vocalists and to the violin solo of Mr. Jesse Longfield. The instrument, with its "metronome" and "hemiods" improvements, brought out the melody so perfectly and naturally that no one could distinguish it from the best playing of the finest living pianist, and yet it was done with perfect ease.

The tea itself was as usual a very fine spread, and reflects the greatest credit on the ladies' committee under whose auspices it was served. Mrs. Thomas Allen, 156, Water street, St. Mary's, Ont., says: "My daughter Mildred, 4 years old, was severely burned by falling on a hot flat iron. She was burned on the heel, instep and the thigh very badly. I at once applied some Zam-Buk, which eased the pain, and in the course of a few days the wounds were thoroughly healed."

PRETTY WEDDING AT CENTENNIAL CHURCH

Charles Cooper and Miriam Tranter Joined in Holy Bonds.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Rev. A. Henderson, at the Centennial Methodist church, yesterday afternoon officiated at the wedding of Charles Cooper and Miriam Tranter, daughter of Seymour Tranter, all of this city. Miss Florence Cooper was bridesmaid and William Cooper supported the groom.

The bride wore a travelling costume of French grey diagonal cloth with a large picture hat and carried a large bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid wore a violet costume, with large pink hat and carried pink roses. Benedict Bantly presided at the organ and played the wedding march very pleasingly.

After the party had left the church a dainty luncheon was served at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hamilton, 2652 North Quadra street, Mrs. Hamilton being a sister of the bride. The house was tastefully decorated with pink and white carnations, intertwined with smilax. The groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful gold chain and locket, with monogram, and to the bridesmaid a pearl crescent brooch, and to the best man a gold scarf pin.

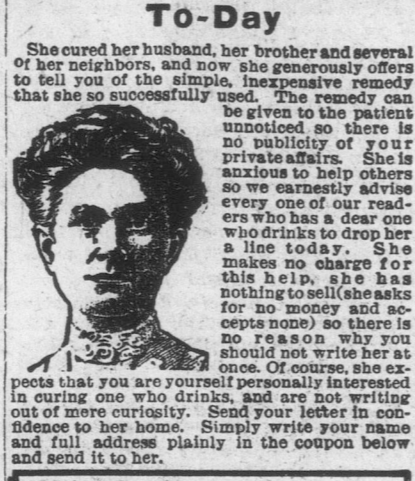
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MRS. MARGARET ANDERSON, 252 Home Avenue, Hillburn, N. Y. Please tell me about the remedy you used to cure my husband. I am personally interested in one who drinks.

HINDU AGREES TO LEAVE CANADA

Man Detained by Immigration Officials at Vancouver Released.

Vancouver, Oct. 6.—Joseph Cuadra Mira, the Hindu who was detained here by the Dominion immigration authorities, was released yesterday on an agreement that he would leave the country on the steamer at 11 o'clock last night. Yesterday afternoon an application for his release on a writ of habeas corpus was made before Chief Justice Hunter by E. M. N. Woods. Mr. Woods produced testimony to show that Mira was simply a tourist en route to the United States.

D. G. Macdonald, who appeared for the Dominion immigration department, said that in that case they would have no objection to his release provided he would leave Canada without delay. It was like welcoming old friends once more, he explained that he had been held under the Dominion immigration regulations because he had stated to the immigration officials that he wished to enter Canada to engage in business, and his admission was refused because he did not have the necessary money on him, and secondly, it was opposed to the order-in-council compelling these men to come here direct from the land of their birth or citizenship, whereas this man came from Japan.

Mr. Woods said the man was a student, well connected in India, and was travelling for the purpose of study. He considered there was no justification for detaining him at all. The chief justice agreed that if an undertaking were given that he should leave that day it should be satisfactory to all parties, and made a memorandum to that effect.

A BOON TO MOTHERS. When Children Are Injured.

Children are always sustaining cuts, bruises, burns, etc., and not infrequently by contract ringworm, scalp diseases and similar skin troubles at school. Mothers will find Zam-Buk without equal for all these accidents and diseases. Mrs. George Aldridge, 12 Louise street, Stratford, says: "While playing barefooted at the yard my son Bertram, 6 years old, stepped on a broken glass bottle, which cut very deeply into his big toe. The cut was so deep that I sent for a doctor and had the foot properly dressed, the doctor leaving a lotion to be applied daily. Under this treatment, however, the wound seemed to get no better, but on the contrary inflammation set in. A kindly neighbor then recommended Zam-Buk. We obtained a supply, and after a few applications the child seemed to rest better, and the pain was very much reduced. In a few days, under the Zam-Buk treatment, the wound assumed a better appearance, and from that time healing was very rapid. Inflammation and soreness were finally completely banished, and in ten days from the first application of Zam-Buk, we took the bandages from the foot. I feel sure that but for Zam-Buk the child would have had a very bad time, and might have had to sacrifice the toe."

Not only for cuts, burns, bruises, etc., is Zam-Buk effective, but also for serious skin diseases such as eczema, ringworm, ulcers, etc. It also cures poisoned sores, chronic wounds, bad leg piles, festering sores, chapped hands, cold sores, frost bite and all skin injuries and diseases. Druggists and stores everywhere sell at 50c a box, or post free for price from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto; 3 boxes \$1.25. You are warned against harmful imitations sometimes represented to be "just as good."

—His Worship Mayor Hall, accompanied by his brother, Dr. G. A. E. Hall, returned from a shooting trip to Salt Spring Island last evening. Mayor Hall says that the sport was rather poor as the birds were very scarce. There were a large number of parties on the island and most of them had indifferent luck.

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MAY FLOAT LOAN TO BUILD SIDEWALKS

Number of Requests Received by the Council of North Vancouver.

North Vancouver, Oct. 6.—City Treasurer Thomas Shepherd resigned his position in a letter read at the last meeting of the city council. Mr. Shepherd holds the dual offices of treasurer and clerk to the city, and he explained in his letter of resignation that the duties and responsibilities of the two offices were greater than he cared to bear. The communication was referred to the finance committee.

Chief Davies reported that a case of shooting within the city limits had been dismissed in court that morning on the grounds of lack of a supporting by-law. A by-law will be drafted and presented to the next meeting to cover the point.

A long list of requests for sidewalks and roads was read. Ald. McNeil, the chairman of the board of works, stated that the money came from a fund to do everything this year, but that everything that could be done would be. Ald. Schultz held that the people had a right to have city conveniences which the money was not on hand to do. He gave notice of motion to introduce a by-law to raise money by way of loan for building sidewalks.

FREIGHT HAULED OVER NEW ELECTRIC LINE

Work of Ballasting Cloverdale Branch is Nearing Completion.

New Westminster, Oct. 6.—The Cloverdale branch of the B. C. Electric is now completed to a stage which permits of the handling of freight, and during the coming winter two dozen carloads of goods for the residents of Surrey have been taken over the new line attached to the work trains. Two steam locomotives are working on the ballasting of the track, with gravel from the several pits of the company along the line and it is rapidly being brought into first class condition. Wiring gangs are pushing out from the city, but it is estimated that it will be two weeks before they can complete the work.

Arrangements are being made to remove the large crane from the south side of the Westminster bridge to Cloverdale and a large gang are at work constructing bunk houses and warehouse sheds for material. The one-story headquarters will still remain at New Westminster, the construction men alone moving to the end of the section. Preparations are also being made for the immediate commencement of a large sub-station at Cloverdale from which power will be supplied for the Chilliwack branch when completed. One of the first shipments made over the new line was a quantity of material for the sub-station and equipment.

LITERARY CLUB. Officers Elected for Year and Work of Study Outlined.

A meeting of the Victoria Literary Club was held on Tuesday last at the residence of Mrs. R. B. Goswami, president, and season the society has decided to hold meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. They will study the masterpieces of Oliver Goldsmith, Samuel Johnson, the Brontë sisters, Charles Reade, Meredith, Lytton, Hagwood, Southey, Keats, Wordsworth and Rudyard Kipling. At each meeting two papers on the masterpiece of the two authors selected will be read by different members of the society. Every thing is being done to make a most successful season this year, and all the meetings are expected to be both interesting and instructive.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected and are as follows: Hon. president, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet; vice-president, Mrs. R. B. McClintock; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Goswami; secretary, Mrs. MacFarlane and Mrs. W. J. Sutton. These officers will look after the business of the society for the ensuing year.

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BREEDING PHEASANTS AT CHILLIWACK

Number of Birds Will Probably Be Liberated Next Year.

New Westminster, Oct. 6.—It is not generally known that pheasants are being bred in the city for the stocking of the woods of the province, and the sport of the hunter. Yet such is the case, and at the present time there are some eighty young birds being reared, the majority of which will probably be turned free in the spring.

There is a provincial government pheasant raising station at Chilliwack where a large number of birds are turned free from time to time. Last year by public subscription largely a sum of money was raised for the purchase of new birds from Europe to improve the strain of the pheasants in the province, a fund to which many New Westminster men contributed freely. For the money twenty pair of pure-bred Mongolian pheasants were purchased from Lord Ernest Hamilton and imported. These were taken to Chilliwack and successfully bred, with the result that it is intended to free some four hundred birds from the farm next year.

In response to a request by Dr. McKay, assistant superintendent of the provincial asylum in this city, 120 eggs from the imported birds were sent by the provincial game warden and an inmate of the hospital, who took an interest in birds, was given charge of them. The result was gratifying, eighty birds being hatched, of one batch of twenty-seven only two failing to hatch successfully. The greatest care has been taken of the birds since that time, the patient in charge, who is a Greek, giving them the utmost attention.

It is the intention to transfer the birds in the spring to the new asylum which they will be protected and fed for some time, whilst enjoying practically full freedom and becoming hardened to the wild life. Later they will be turned into the woods. The Mongolian pheasant is a much larger bird than the pheasant with which the woods are at present stocked. Next year 100 English partridges will be brought out and placed on the Chilliwack farm for breeding purposes, the birds being released when a sufficient number have been raised.

MUCH ACTIVITY UP AT QUATSINO

Sawmill for Pulp Co. Running Full Blast—Railway to Hardy Bay.

(Special Correspondence.) Quatsino, Oct. 7.—The sawmill of the Western Canada Pulp & Paper Company is now running full blast and there is much rejoicing in this little community at the prospects for the ushering in of an era of prosperity and progress long deferred. Though only a small force is at present employed at the mill it is likely that the number of men will be increased from time to time and that ultimately several hundred men will be at work for the company in connection with the pulp enterprise.

A preliminary survey has been made of the railway to Hardy Bay and the cost of the necessary buildings for the mill proper will be taken in hand immediately. There are eight or ten acres of land already cleared as a site for these latter buildings. A post office, the one known as Mark Cove, is to be installed in this vicinity.

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COUNCIL WRESTLING WITH OLD PROBLEM

Request of Federal Government for Reversionary Further Considered.

The members of the city council are to give the letter of Frank Pedley, deputy superintendent of Indian affairs, further consideration at the meeting of the streets, sewers and bridges committee on Friday evening next.

This is the net results of the debate which occurred last evening when Mr. Pedley's letter was read. As mentioned in Monday's Times, Mr. Pedley has, at the request of the city barrister, forwarded a second letter explanatory of the aim of the government in suggesting that the city should hand over its reversionary rights in the reserve.

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The expectation that the council would assume that the Dominion government could be trusted to deal fairly with the city was shattered by the remarks of the members of the board when the letter had been read.

Ald. Bishop was of the opinion that the communication ought to be referred to the city barrister for report, as he being the matter in hand, and it was at his request that the letter had been asked for from Mr. Pedley.

Ald. Ross ventured the opinion that the government had never tried seriously to settle the question. Had it done so it would have long ago been disposed of.

Ald. Henderson (acting mayor) did not see the expediency of referring the letter to the barrister as the question for the council to decide was not a legal one so much as a matter of policy.

Ald. Turner agreed that there was no legal point involved. It was purely a question of policy. In his opinion the Dominion government was taking a wrong view of the situation. The whites were entitled to a little consideration as well as the Indians. The government appeared to be on the fence all the time. He was of the opinion that the council should get after the government "for all they were worth" and tell them that the interests of the white population should be better looked after.

Ald. Mable suggested that as the matter was an important one the letter should be referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee, so that the question could be thoroughly threshed out.

Ald. McKeown also thought this a good idea. This Sogones reserve problem had been, to his knowledge, before the people of Victoria for the past 25 years, and he had never seen any disposition on the part of any public body to take the matter up seriously. He would like to know if the city council had not "enough spunk" to go after a settlement in a vigorous manner.

Ald. Ross remarked that if the Dominion government would only turn over their reversionary rights to the city the council would settle the whole question quickly enough.

MEXICAN GIRL TORN TO PIECES BY SHARKS

Frail Skiff Capsizes and Occupant is Carried Away Before Help Reaches Her.

Veracruz, Mex., Oct. 5.—While four men made frantic attempts to save her from the terrible jaws of a shark, Juanita Paz, a young Mexican girl, was seized and torn to pieces by the sea monsters near the mouth of the Puerto River.

The girl had ventured into the current of the river in a light skiff, although she was warned not to attempt the stream as it was shark infested. Unheeding the objections of her friends she rowed away from the shore. The waters were calm and she got further from land than was her intention.

Suddenly her skiff was surrounded by half a dozen hungry sharks. She dropped her oars and screamed for help. Four men went to her rescue, but before they could reach her one of the terrible monsters came up underneath the boat, upsetting it and throwing her into the river.

She tried desperately to hold on to the sides of the overturned boat until help arrived. The men had nearly reached the screaming girl when a large shark was seen to cut through the water and seize her from the side. The instant the powerful jaws fastened themselves upon the body of the girl and disappeared under the water.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 5.—With the resumption of the freight rates hearing before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty yesterday, Attorney Stephens, representing this city, introduced testimony for the purpose of showing that James J. Hill, owner of the Great Northern, expressed his willingness to give Spokane terminal rates but that Hill was prevented from doing so because the Harriman lines were unwilling.

Stephens' evidence was based on a remark to that effect said to have been made by Louis Hill, of the Great Northern, to W. Dolan of the Spokane Drug company. It was brought out that the elder Hill told a convention of freight traffic men at Chicago that they would break their own necks if they did not cut imposing high rates on Spokane.

Stephens declared that the city of Spokane is now paying twice the rate on carload lots paid by coast cities and that the rate on the railroads is being forced to force the Spokane jobbers to pay the high rates the jobbers would be forced to go out of business, thereby compelling consumers to buy of coast jobbers.

Stephens showed that where the rate from St. Paul to Seattle was 44 cents less a hundred pounds than from St. Paul to Spokane to support his contentions.

Merchants on Wharf street complained against the delay being experienced in going on with the work of paving that thoroughfare.

The contractors had attributed much of the delay to the fact that the city was taking much of the sand and gravel that they need for this work. There was also a delay in getting bricks from the city. This was causing the contractor for a week. There is no danger that any towns will be damaged as the nearest settlement of importance is Colima, the capital of the province, which is fifty miles away.

Mexicans Living Near Base Fear Activity is Forerunner of Earthquake.

Mexico City, Oct. 5.—The continuation of the eruption of Mount Colima, which began several days ago, is causing much apprehension among the natives living at its base, as they fear the activity of the volcano is a forerunner of an earthquake. They base this belief on the fact that the volcano last became active shortly before a seismic disturbance.

HARVEST ENTERTAINMENT AT DUNCAN TOMORROW

Committee Endeavoring to Add New Books and Magazines to Library.

Duncan, Oct. 4.—On Wednesday evening next, the annual harvest entertainment followed by a dance, will take place in the Agricultural hall.

The library committee is at work on ways and means to raise a fund to provide new books and magazines for the library. The library has a fair supply of standard works, but is very deficient in its stock of modern novels. Members and friends of the library are being asked to give the most interesting novel they have read during the last year. One or two entertainments will be given shortly to add to the fund for new books.

The quantity of game shot during the past three days has been fair. The best individual bags run to about twenty birds. In the neighborhood of Sahlam the number of grouse exceed that of the pheasants. In other parts the numbers are more even. Last evening a number of extra cars were put on to take the crowds back to Victoria. There was a good showing of birds going on the train.

The new by-law for the municipality seems to work very well and is an advantage to the visitor as well as to the local sportsman.

Rumor has it that the Lakeside hotel, Cowichan lake, both building and business, was sold at the end of last week. A short time ago the Riverside hotel on Cowichan river, near the lake, was sold. Mr. Geiger, of Victoria, being the buyer. It is the intention to tear down the Riverside and put up a new hotel.

A new government road bridge a short distance from the lake, is being built on the Cowichan river. Progress is being made on the work on the embankment on the Cowichan river near Duncan.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 5.—The third furnace at the smelter of the British Columbia Copper Company was down on Thursday and this week the management expect to be treating close to 2,000 tons of ore per day.

The ore tonnage from Mother Lode mine has increased and with shipments from the company's Oro Donoro, Lone Star and Napoleon properties as well as custom ore, the smelter will now run at full blast.

About thirty men are now being employed at the Oro Donoro mine, and it is expected the tonnage will gradually increase.

At Monday night's meeting of the city council a report was received from the city engineer on the proposed cost of the work of laying a pavement on Port street between Yates street and Oak Bay avenue, whether with wooden blocks or vitrified brick. The total cost was put at \$27,000—this being \$9,000; the city to pay \$18,000; the B. C. Electric Railway Company, \$8,750; and the balance, \$15,750, by the owners.

Ald. Turner favored referring the report back to the engineer so that he might confer with the property owners and report definitely what kind of pavement was wanted.

Ald. Fullerton suggested leaving the matter entirely in the hands of the engineer. He should be the sole judge of what kind of pavement was required. The citizens should not be allowed to have too much to say in the matter.

It was decided to ask the engineer to interview the owners on the matter and make a recommendation to the council.

SEARCH FOR PLATINUM IN THE TULAMEEN

Dominion Geologist Investigates Conditions in Mineral Belt.

Princeton, Oct. 4.—Charles Camshell, Dominion geologist, arrived in town. He has a larger amount of specimens this year than he has ever taken out before and will be engaged all winter in study of them.

Mr. Camshell finds the work very interesting in the Tulameen or Otter Flat section, the geologic conditions being rarely met with in any mineral country. His investigations are more particularly for the determination of the origin and source of platinum found in the Tulameen river and tributaries. Difficulty has been found in establishing correlative ages owing to the absence of certain fossiliferous deposits.

The probability of finding platinum in place in suitable quantities to make it of economic value is remote. The theory is that it is widespread or pocketed and is not evenly distributed or it would have been discovered by the time this geologist must rely on the scientific investigations of Mr. Camshell who wholly says.

The commercial value of platinum is so high that very low grade ore is profitable. Its presence in the alluvial deposits of the Tulameen and Similkameen rivers and in Granite creek rather than in the Tulameen river, is a point to cutting the formation somewhat from the Tulameen river, and also found in these waters by gold-diggers. There is little doubt that at no distant day platinum mining, both ore and placer, will be successfully carried on here.

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London, Oct. 5.—The Nationalists came out strongly against the clauses in the budget imposing additional duties on white and green teas and chicory. A great many very beautiful and costly presents have been received by the young couple, among which are a number of articles of cut glass and silver. The groom's gift to the bride was a diamond sunburst, to each of the bridesmaids he gave pearl brooches, and to the best man cuff links and a pearl stick pin.

ALL RECORDS FOR LOG-SCALING BROKEN

Approximately 56,000,000 Feet Scaled During Month of September.

Vancouver, Oct. 4.—September broke all monthly records for the quantity of logs scaled on the British Columbia coast, according to a statement made by Andrew Haslam, supervisor of log scales, who reported that his deputies had scaled approximately 56,000,000 feet of logs during the month. The returns are not all in yet, but Mr. Haslam cited the figures mentioned as being a conservative estimate of what the total would be. The previous record for scaling during any one month was held by April, 1909, when 53,000,000 feet passed through the scalers' hands.

There is at present a considerable quantity of logs in the water on the coast and the cut in the woods has been so large that prices have been kept down.

Kept down. The cut of logs on the coast for the first eight months of the present year was greater by 800,000 feet than the production for the corresponding period of 1908.

FASHIONABLE WEDDING TUESDAY MORNING

Mr. Marc and Miss Pichon Were United in Marriage Tuesday.

A pretty and fashionable wedding was solemnized at the R. C. cathedral at 10 Tuesday morning when Miss Alice Pichon, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pichon, of 308 Catherine street, Victoria West, was united in marriage with Mr. Andrie Marc, late of Paris, France. Rev. Father Flaser, Esquimalt, officiated, and low mass was celebrated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was very beautifully and richly groomed in white liberty satin, made in princess style, en train, and elaborately trimmed with wide bands of silver lace. With this she wore a bridal veil of fine Brussels net, becomingly held in place by orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and white carnations.

She was attended by Miss Alice Muriel, in a dainty bridesmaid's dress of white mull, with touches of pink, and by Miss Rose O'Meara, in white mull with touches of blue. Mr. O'Meara and the bride's young brother, Master Pichon, supported the groom.

The brides mother was very handsomely groomed in black brocade satin with gold lace, with which she wore a becoming black plumed hat with touches of gold.

Immediately after the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents on Catherine street. The decorations of the dining room were very beautifully carried out in white and green, asters and chrysanthemums being used very effectively with amaranth and asparagus ferns.

In the reception hall a yellow color scheme has been carried out, and the drawing room is gay in pink and green. A reception is being held this afternoon from 3 to 6 at the home of the bride's parents. A great many very beautiful and costly presents have been received by the young couple, among which are a number of articles of cut glass and silver. The groom's gift to the bride was a diamond sunburst, to each of the bridesmaids he gave pearl brooches, and to the best man cuff links and a pearl stick pin.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc left on the Charming Tuesday night for Vancouver. The honeymoon will be spent in Seattle. The bride will travel in an old rose tulle suit with white plumed hat. The permanent home of the young people has not yet been decided on.

WRIGHT REMANDED. Trial of Man Arrested at Portland is Postponed Until Wednesday.

PROPOSED CENTRAL BANK OF ISSUE IN U. S.

Wilmington Man Declares it Will Be Under Control of Wall Street.

New York, Oct. 5.—"The plan for a great central bank of issue had its origin in Wall street and not with the national monetary commission. Wall street will control the bank or there will be no such institution."

This was the statement made by Alfred Crozier, of Wilmington, Del., author and one of the best vested interests of finance in this country, when asked for an explanation based on the announcement that a member of the commission admitted that such an institution is to be recommended. Continuing, Crozier said:

"It is humorous to note the coy manner in which the Wall street interests are allowing the money to leak out. As a matter of fact, this deal is the prize buncos game of American history and is calculated to place the entire control of the nation's currency in the hands of Wall street. This plan has been completed for months.

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ORPHANS WELL LOOKED AFTER

ENCOURAGING RESULTS AS REPORTED

Regular Meeting of the Women's Department—Donations From Show.

The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home met in monthly session at the home Monday. The president, Mrs. McTavish, presided, and the following were present: Mediam McCollough, Higgins, Munzie, Picard, Sherwood, J. Teague, J. Andrews, E. Few, Toller, C. F. Todd, D. Miller, W. Scowcroft, the Misses Tolmie and Brink. It was announced that \$23.10 had been raised as the much appreciated result of the concert given by the Victoria Male Voice Choir. Votes of thanks were passed to the agricultural committee for free passes and entertainment to the children at the recent exhibition, to the Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church for so kindly supplying refreshments to them on that occasion, to Mrs. Richards for her kind management by donating such a beautiful supply of fruit and vegetables, thereby tending to the good health of the little inmates. The resignation of the efficient and much valued matron Mrs. Kay was received by the committee with deep regret. It health makes this step absolutely necessary on her part. The assistant matron also handed in her resignation, congratulations being extended to her for her happy future prospects.

Much sympathy was expressed for Mrs. Sprague in the great sorrow sustained by her in the loss of her son. The annual chrysanthemum show was held on Monday evening, when it was held the same next month, when it is hoped that all who so kindly assisted in former years, will lend a helping hand to render it a success.

Mrs. D. Miller and Mrs. Scowcroft were appointed visitors for October. Bills were paid amounting to \$165.80. After reading the appended report and donation list the meeting closed with prayer.

The visiting committee's report was as follows: "Madam President and Ladies: We beg to report that we have visited the home during the month of September and have found the institution in splendid condition.

"We are thankful in being able to report a clean bill of health. Twenty-five of the children were entertained at the agricultural grounds on children's day and enjoyed themselves immensely.

"We must congratulate our matron on the bright and cheerful appearance of the home and its inmates, but we regret to state that she is not looking in the best of health herself.

"E. A. PICKARD. "JOSETTE C. TOLMIE." Donations for September were as follows: Mr. Tony Silveo, 12 pounds butter, 4 hams; Mrs. R. Porter, Burnside road, 4 large boxes of plums, 1 sack pears and apples; Mrs. Olson, Oaklands, 3 baskets of pears; H. W. Evans, Cadboro Bay, 1 box of apples; Cowichan Agricultural Association, per Mrs. E. Whidden, 4 sacks potatoes, 4 boxes fruit and vegetables; Miss Clendinning, Cedar Hill, 1 sack of pears, 1 box plums; Edwin Johnson, 5 sacks potatoes; Mrs. Shorbot, 30 pounds plums; Mrs. Pearl McIntyre, Ganges Harbor, 3 boxes pears; Mrs. Sherwood, cabbage and beets; Mrs. Higgins, clothing; Mr. Curtis, box of apples; Mrs. Richards, car fare and lunch for 25 children at fete, exhibition grounds; Ladies' Aid Congregational church, basket of sandwiches, cake, tea, cream and sugar; Frank Brandon, per Johns Bros, box of plums; Colonel and Times, daily papers; Mrs. (G.) Holmes, books, toys, fancy goods.

Children and matron to the exhibition; Mrs. A. McLennan, 6 pounds butter, apples, plums, tomatoes, potatoes, carrots, corn, squash, pumpkins, beets turned and cabbage from potato; G. T. Davis, A. H. Fell, J. A. Gent, R. Boggs, A. Wood, R. H. Munn, D. T. Thomas, Mrs. J. Smith, H. Hughes, G. Heatherbell, A. Angus, T. H. King, C. E. Bantwell, W. J. Hutchinson, W. Grimmer.

He warns all against going during the winter without an outfit. He says it is only 250 miles on the overland winter trail from Nome to the Iditarod and expects a heavy movement there.

WILL BUILD STAMP MILL. Ashcroft, Oct. 4.—Messrs. A. H. Shepherd and E. A. Ehrenberg of Spokane, who are interested in a gold-bearing quartz proposition at Chilton Forks, passed through Ashcroft on their way to the coast, where they are going to make arrangements to purchase a ten-stamp mill to work their mine. The property, a very rich one, is situated near Chico lake, some thirty-five miles from Butte Inlet.

FERNIE'S NEW WATERWORKS. Fernie, Oct. 4.—The new waterworks system from Fairy creek is now rapidly nearing completion and will be in operation within the next two weeks. The line has already been laid through the Fernie annex and fire hydrants are being placed at the corners of the streets in this section of the city, assuring a perfect system of fire protection.

LEACAMP MURDER CASE. Kamloops, Oct. 4.—The preliminary hearing of the charge against Johnny McLean, of complicity in the alleged murder of Michel Leacamp, before Sheriff Wood, closed today, resulting in the discharge of the prisoner on this date. Johnny McLean has still to answer to a charge of horse stealing.

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NO RIGHTS AT BEACON HILL

AN OPINION FROM THE CITY BARRISTER

City Can't Grant Any Privileges as it Possesses None to Confer.

At Monday's meeting of the city council the following letter was read from Hon. J. S. Helmcken:

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 30th, 1906. The Honorable the Mayor and Council: Gentlemen: Many thanks for the returns asked for from your honorable body for the information of the public in re the tenure on which the Albion Cricket Club hold the cricket field.

The returns clearly indicate a serious condition of affairs in the public park.

Thus on April 22nd, 1902, the Oak Bay Cricket Club requested permission to use for club purposes a certain portion of Beacon Hill park grounds.

On February 15th, 1903, the park board reply that the board could not see its way to grant permission to erect a pavilion on the grounds.

On March 15th, 1903, the Oak Bay Cricket Club again asked, among other requests, for permission to erect a suitable pavilion on the ground.

On April 4th, 1903, in answer to the preceding letter of March 15th, the park board reply: "The public parks board regret that they have not the necessary power to grant your request in this matter."

It is plain that up to this period the Cricket Club had been denied all their requests to put up a pavilion.

Here ends the official record. The subject was not officially considered any more, yet in spite of the opinion of the city solicitor, in spite of the charter and in spite of the fact that the park board had refused to grant permission to erect a pavilion on the grounds.

It cannot be even supposed that after their two rebuffs the Oak Bay Club erected the pavilion in defiance or at their own risk and expense without having received some encouragement to do so.

Unquestionably the Oak Bays, shortly afterwards, did privately interview various members of the park board and some "understanding" was arrived at, thus endeavoring to evade the law and virtually to annul (privately) their own previous official declaration.

The pavilion was shortly afterwards erected—an emblem of possession of the buildings and surrounding cricket ground. If such unlawful (but convenient) permission and "understanding" proceedings and their results be not at once disallowed and remedied, other adventures will (as some already have) follow the trail and the public park will become the hunting ground and prey of private companies for their own purposes, foreign to the interest and meaning of the charter, and thus the park will gradually cease to be a simple park for the use and peaceful recreation of the public in general, whose property it is and of which your honorable body are the trustees; but will be perhaps parcelled to others.

It is therefore respectfully asked (and hoped) that your honorable body will seriously consider the hereinbefore mentioned matters of public interest and employ remedial measures suitable to the case and in accordance with the people's charter.

With every respect and pleasant expectations, I remain, Yours, etc., J. S. HELMCKEN.

This letter was taken up again when the council came to deal with the report of the city barrister on the matter of the resolution passed by the council in regard to the Bowling Club. The council had by formal resolution given notice that the city would not confer any rights whatever on the club in connection with the building at Beacon Hill. The city barrister, in his letter read last night expressed the opinion that the resolution could be of absolutely no effect, as the city had no rights or privileges to confer on anybody at any time.

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B. C. TEAMS GOING SOUTH THIS MONTH

Provincial Footballers Will Aid in Advertising the Province.

British Columbia will be well advertised in California this month, for two distinct sporting organizations as previously mentioned will invade the Golden state from the province.

The Vancouver Rugby union will send a representative team to California to play the universities of Berkeley and Stanford in the annual matches, while a soccer team from the Pacific Coast league will leave shortly to compete during the Fortuna in San Francisco, playing against picked southern teams.

The Vancouver team which went to glory by its good work, though it was not considered a very strong aggregation. Writing from the south an expert declares that Vancouver will have to send a vastly improved team this year to make anything like the showing of the team which toured last year, and he asserts that the tourists will not win a single game. However, they always have the same opinion in California, and local experts are not a bit worried by this declaration.

The soccer team which will go to San Francisco has already been announced. It is a strong combination and is the most creditable showing. The California team which came here last spring showed a lot of class and indicated that the game is on a high plane in the south. The Victoria soccer men, led by Beane and Beane will leave here about 14th.

TWO ENGINEERS KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Lapere, Mich., Oct. 5.—Two fast freight trains on the Michigan Central collided at Carpenters, between here and Columbusville. Both engineers were killed and two firemen and one conductor were badly injured.

The injured: Ed. Sitter and John Dimmerman, firemen; J. Grinkhall, conductor.

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BUYERS PROPERTY ON QUADRA STREET

Dr. Herman A. Robertson Will Build Fine Residence With Office Quarters.

Dr. Herman A. Robertson has acquired a fine piece of property on the east side of Quadra street, between Fort and Mears, the transaction having just been closed by a local real estate firm.

The buildings at present occupying the site will be torn down to make room for a handsome residence and office quarters for Dr. Robertson. The latter informed the Times this afternoon that the work commences building just as soon as he could get the plans prepared.

PULP IS STILL BEING IMPORTED

Consignment for Powder Works Left This Morning.

Swanson Bay has recently been opened as a customs port of entry, and it is altogether probable that in the near future a good deal of shipping may be done from that port.

New shipping ports are being constantly developed in British Columbia. Boat harbor was opened as a customs port a month or two ago, and within the next year a number of new ports will have to be extended customs privileges.

ELK LAKE WATERSHED

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John Vasara Will Return to Finland Without Extradition.

Through the usual sources the attorney-general's department will address the Russian government of the detention here of John Vasara, who is wanted in Frederikshamn, Finland, on charges of incendiarism and burglary.

Vasara, as already reported, was arrested at Prince Rupert, disguised as a laborer, by Constable Calkin, and brought down here. He will be held in the provincial jail awaiting the arrival of an officer from Finland. He has consented to wait extradition.

BREAKS DOWN WHILE IN JAIL

SUFFRAGETTE IS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Woman Was Arrested in Connection With Disorder at Birmingham.

Birmingham, England, Oct. 5.—Miss Laura Ainsworth, one of the suffragettes who was forcibly fed with a stomach pump in an effort, by prison officials, to break the "hunger strike" of the women prisoners, was hurried to a hospital to-day with the utmost secrecy. It is believed that she is critically ill.

The fact that the prison officials are trying to keep the matter secret leads to the belief that the woman is suffering from the treatment she received from the jail.

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VANCOUVER'S ACTION OVER DEADMAN'S ISLAND

Application for Fiat Has Been Refused by Dominion Government.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 5.—The city solicitors laid their side of the Deadman's Island case before the city council in private session last evening. This followed upon a message which was received yesterday that the Hon. Mr. Murphy, acting minister of justice at Ottawa, had refused the application for a fiat.

The council was informed last evening that an absolute promise had been given that the city would be granted the fiat. Mr. Wallace Nesbitt, K. C., who has the case for the city at Ottawa before the commission of inquiry, has given the opinion that the city was entitled in every way to a fiat.

The civic authorities have decided to wire Mr. Nesbitt, asking him to get the government to state the grounds for the action.

In the meantime the regular case which was to be heard here this morning will not commence.

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BANQUET OPENS SEASON'S MEETINGS

Young People of First Presbyterian Church Spend Happy Evening.

The winter season of the Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian church was opened on Monday by a banquet held in the schoolroom of the church. Nearly 150 members and guests of the society were present and all enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

An executive committee composed of Miss McNeil, Miss Harkness, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Brown, Mrs. Lewis Hall and B. Morrison has been working hard for the past few weeks trying to make the opening meeting a big success. They did not fall below their intentions, but made a most enjoyable affair out of it.

The toast "Our Church," was proposed by Rev. Van Munster, and was replied to by the Rev. Dr. Campbell and A. Wilson.

Mrs. Lewis Hall, in a neat speech, proposed the "Sister Societies," and this was replied to by G. B. Brown, of the St. Andrew's Young People's Society.

The toast to "The Ladies," always a most important one, was proposed by P. McKechnie, who spoke in glowing terms of the great help the ladies of the society had been giving to the church in similar words to the toast.

J. G. Brown gave an address during the evening. He spoke on the great advancement the society had made last year, but said the officers were not satisfied yet with what had been done and they would push their work forward this year.

A musical programme was given during the evening in which the following took part: Miss Sexsmith, L. Morrison, Miss Harkness, J. G. Brown, and A. Wilson.

The enjoyable evening came to a close with a "Guld nicht an Joy be wir' a'."

BRIEF LOCALS.

The funeral of the late Thomas Deans Jamieson, the twin thirteen months old son of the late Jamieson, took place on Tuesday at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 2723 Turner street.

Building permits have been issued to E. M. Boulding for a frame kitchen and shed on Speed avenue to cost \$400, to Miss Sorley for a kitchen and bathroom on Huxton street to cost \$400 and to Mrs. E. J. Bassett for a 7-roomed dwelling on Shakespear street to cost \$1,900.

The traffic returns of the B. C. Electric Company are still on the increase, and for the month of September 483,077 passengers were carried over the lines of the company, as against the corresponding month of last year the returns were 404,428, thus an increase of 19 per cent. was made.

A rifle club has been formed at Sooke and now has a membership of twenty, who are taking great interest in the new organization. A competition in the use of the rifle range on the sand spit at Sooke harbor every week and the members are developing into excellent marksmen, John A. I. French, son of General Sir John French, is in charge of the club.

A quiet wedding took place on Tuesday at the Metropolitan Hotel, when the Rev. T. E. Holling united in wedlock Miss Eva Steers, of this city, and Mr. Charles Beckensell, of Seattle, who are well known to the homecoming in Vancouver, and will after a few days there leave for Seattle, where they will in future reside.

The L. O. L., No. 1428, met Monday night at the A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street, when addresses were given by Rev. H. C. Speller, grand chaplain of Saskatchewan; P. G. M. Thomas, of Vancouver; P. G. M. J. Dilworth, of Manitoba, and Provincial Organizer J. W. Whitley. A committee was appointed to take in hand a grand entertainment on November 6th. There were forty members present.

The death occurred on Monday at the Royal Jubilee hospital of Edward Homer. Deceased was born in Freshwater, Newfoundland, and was 27 years of age. Some three years ago Mr. Homer came to this city, but later returned to his old home and was there married. Early in the spring of this year he came to Victoria again. He is survived by a wife and three children, and a brother residing at the corner of Tolmie and Maple streets.

BUFFALO HERD LOST BY FIRE

EIGHT HUNDRED HAVE ESCAPED

Fire Plays Havoc With Canada's Big Herd and Causes Heavy Loss.

Winnipeg, Oct. 5.—Canada's buffalo park at Vainwright, Alberta, was destroyed by fire, and eight hundred buffalo escaped owing to a fire which had been raging in the enclosure for a week. The buffalo were secured from Pablo, in Montana, last year.

Such is word brought to Calgary by a party by a local stationer named Edwards, who has been in the district. As the fire burned the fence herded of elk and buffalo escaped and scattered over the prairie, many being killed and burned in a desperate effort to avoid the flames.

Millions of dollars loss have been sustained through the fire.

SOOKE HAS ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

Resolution Favoring Provincial Land Clearing Action Carried.

Sooke and Otter Point agriculturists have a practical and successful land clearing scheme, without which it is felt that the settlement of the rich Island district will be delayed. The individuals who are limited in capital has a hard battle ahead, and the means at his hand are held to be such as will delay the rapid extension of arable land in the island.

A remedy to the present situation was pointed out Wednesday night last by G. W. Way, one of the speakers at the meeting of the Sooke and Otter Development Association, who said that extensive development in agriculture, more particularly along the lines of fruit raising, is impossible until the land is ready for the plough. The remedy, he said, was in the hands of the provincial government, and it should be asked to assist settlers in clearing, well boring, creameries, irrigation, etc. This would be productive of public benefit. The government should make an appropriation for the purchase of clearing machinery and then operate and maintain the same. The settler could be charged so much per day for use of the machinery, and the government would be reimbursed by the sale of the land.

Other speakers at the meeting were: John Murray, president; J. A. I. French, secretary; and E. McGaffey, secretary of the Vancouver Island Development League.

At the meeting the speakers alluded to the necessity for tramway connection with Victoria.

Mr. McGaffey, who has returned from the Sooke district, says there are large tracts of land awaiting clearing and that he was surprised at the second growth of strawberries now being marketed from the Sooke district. Along the edge of the harbor he saw the stakes marking the survey of the future Sooke Bay railway. Building had increased greatly in the Sooke district, and many new houses were being erected. Everywhere on the island there was a feeling of substantial prosperity. He also visited the salmon spawning grounds in the Sooke river. At Sooke he found a large number of settlers were thorough in the benefits accruing from the formation of development leagues, and the meeting he spoke at was well attended by members and settlers of the Sooke district.

LA PORTE TRAGEDIES.

Ray Lamphere Refuses to Make Any Statement Regarding Farm Murders.

La Porte, Ind., Oct. 5.—Despite the fact that he only has a few more days to live, Ray Lamphere, a victim of consumption, who was convicted as an accomplice in the murder of Belle Gunness, the murderess of La Porte, refuses to admit that he knows anything about the woman or how she killed and disposed of her victims.

State Attorney Smith is hopeful that Lamphere will make a statement clearing the details of the death farm mystery when he fully realizes that he only has a short time to live.

TO LOAD GRAIN.

French Barque Le Piller Chartered for United Kingdom.

The French barque Le Piller, Capt. Le Luede, an arrival from Nantes via Hobeart, is another addition to the grain fleet from the Sound to the United Kingdom. The barque is under charter to E. W. McNear for a loading port yet to be named. The Le Piller is making a maiden voyage to the Sound. She is a trim member of the French bounty earning sailing ships, and is covering the passage from Hobeart to Cape Flattery in sixty days, with but moderately fair sailing conditions, has proved herself a smart trader. Capt. Le Luede has a wide acquaintance on the Sound, having been in command of the French barque Eugene Panter.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5.—Complying with the terms of the special agreement signed on January 27th last between the United States and Great Britain, the state department has today through Chandler Patterson, of the fisheries department, filed with the British embassy here the government case in the Newfoundland fisheries controversy. The case of the British government will be filed with the United States ambassador in London. This case, together with that of Great Britain, will be submitted to the international tribunal at The Hague immediately according to the special agreement, on February 4th next unless briefs in each case are required to be filed, and by April, 1910, printed arguments must be ready.

BODIES EXPLODED

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# THIRTY KILLED IN MINE AT EXTENSION

## Bodies of 23 of the Victims of Explosion Have Been Recovered From the Workings.

Details of the disaster at Extension coal mines which occurred yesterday forenoon show that the estimated loss of life exceeds what it was believed it would reach when the Times went to press yesterday. At least 30, according to the reports sent by the staff representative of the Times who is now on the ground, have lost their lives. There are still one or two concerning whose whereabouts there is nothing definite and they may be found among the victims.

Up to noon to-day 23 bodies had been recovered, while seven are still missing.

The explosion is one which appears to have been extremely local in character. Only one section of the mine was affected and there has been very little damage to the workings even in that section.

The circumstances connected with the disaster which were published in the Times yesterday have been borne out by the later investigations which were made possible late yesterday afternoon and to-day. There was no fire in the mine. An explosion of gas from a "pocket," which is sometimes encountered, caused all the trouble. The mine is practically undamaged and work can begin again almost at once.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

viewed last night, said he had just come out of the mine where he had been all the afternoon and evening. He was on his way to Comox on one of his regular visits, and had stopped off at Ladysmith, where he first heard news of the accident. He at once hurried to the scene, arriving about noon. Already rescue parties had been organized and were at work in the mine. In company with Manager Andrew Bryden, Chief Inspector Frank Sheppard, of Nanaimo; Inspector Dick, of Nanaimo; Thos. Grahame, manager of the

extension mine, who was bratticing in the mine at the time of the explosion, said he felt no concussion nor heard any report. There was a rush of air and he at once realized that something was wrong. He was one of the furthest in. He did not come to the surface but remained to see what could be done towards rescue. He did not come out until the afternoon. When Alex. Shaw, the foreman, called for a rescue party those who went in were David Davidson, Jim Easton, Andrew Bryden, Glen, Malpas and two others. They had to repair the stopping as they went as it would have been mad to have gone ahead without ventilation. There was little caving and no fire. The fans were at work all the time, but the ventilation was disturbed owing to leaks in the bratticing.



EXTENSION MINE.

a family in town but has lost a friend or a relative.

Like all such catastrophes the explosion at Extension has brought forth many heroes. It has called out the best part of the men of that town. When the call went out for volunteers to enter the mine to face the dreaded afterdamp, in the faint hope of finding one or two alive, the difficulty was to decide who to choose, for the number of those who offered was legion. Every one was ready to go and the officials of the company from Superintendent Little downwards were keen on pushing their way into the dark corners where death might be lying in wait at the next step.

Many were almost overcome by the suffocating afterdamp and rallied only to push farther forward. Some had to be taken home to bed ill.

Walk Into Afterdamp. Among the victims found were some who were lost simply through an error of judgment. One large party of about fifteen apparently could not agree as to where was the source of danger. Five men, Ingram, White, Steele, McLennan and Ismister, decided that the way to safety lay in the direction of No. 3 level. They left the rest of the party and that was the last that was seen of them alive. They walked right into a bank of freudamp and were quickly overcome. The other ten, including Hyslop, Radford, Irving, and Bob Smith, were trying to find a way out when they were heard by Foreman Alex. Shaw, who was at the head of a rescue party. He immediately knocked a board out of a pratice and pulled them through to safety.

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- One unidentified.

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(By a Staff Representative of the Times.)

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Some months ago Father Caine conducted a mission among the miners of the Extension mine. During that time he became intimately acquainted with them. He formed a very high opinion of the men and felt as soon as he heard that disaster had come to the camp that his place was there. Accordingly he dropped all the work on hand in Victoria and left for Ladysmith. A large proportion of those who have lost their lives, Father Caine says, were Roman Catholics. He knew nearly all the men who were the victims of the explosion.

Father Caine has had a good deal of experience in mining camps in various parts of the world. He lived in Lancashire, Eng., in the mining area for some time, and later was in various camps in Australia, notably in Coolgardie. He is thus well acquainted with mining conditions and is admirably adapted to comfort the bereaved at a time like this. He says he will remain with the sorrowing as long as he can be of service to them.

Two more believed to have perished. Loss of life may reach 32—Steadily clearing mine.

(Staff Correspondent of Times.) Extension, Oct. 6.—2:30 p.m.—All is quiet at the mines here to-day. Only those who can be of assistance in the work of clearing the mines and recover-

ing the bodies are being allowed to pass up from Ladysmith to here. The relief work is going on steadily. There is absolutely no confusion, the work being done in the most methodical manner.

Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir is himself here, and takes a deep interest in all the work being done.

It is believed now that there may be 32 lives lost. In addition to the names already given two men, John Dulich, a miner who has a family in the Old Country, and M. Peterovitch, a Russian Pole, are not accounted for, and it is feared they may be among those who lost their lives.

There is no certainty as to when the last of the bodies will be recovered. The relief party is encountering obstructions in the way of debris which has to be removed, and it is impossible to tell when the bodies may be reached.

The first of the funerals will take place to-morrow, when two of the victims will be laid at rest.

Those able to render aid hurried to scene of disaster.

Ladysmith, Oct. 6.—Mayor Nicholson, of Ladysmith, was at the time of the accident in Victoria in connection with his business as a builder and contractor. On hearing the news he at once hurried to the station and caught the afternoon train home. He was in grave doubt as to whether his two brothers-in-law, Archie and Albert McKinnon, might have been in the mine at the time. Fortunately, they were among those who got out.

He stated that some step would be at once taken to provide for the bereaved families, some of whom would be in great need of help.

Ralph Smith to Help. Ralph Smith, M.P., on hearing of the

disaster, immediately upon hearing of the disaster at Extension last evening, made arrangements to visit the place and offer whatever consolation was possible to the bereaved. He accordingly left

Victoria, at once decided to return to Extension to see if there was anything he might do to help. He was to have addressed a meeting of Liberals at Saanich, but the call of humanity was more important to him than politics.

Father Nicolayev also responded to a quick call back to work. He is in charge of the Roman Catholic congregation at Ladysmith, but was spending a day or two in Victoria. He left yesterday afternoon to do what he could to comfort the friends of the lost.

When the train from Victoria reached Ladysmith last evening it bore two girls whose near relatives were among the victims. When they were told of the tragedy their cries were most heart-rending. One was borne off in a fainting condition.

O'Connell's Futile Dash For Safety. Believed to have been rendered unconscious by Dashing Against Pillar.

Extension, via Ladysmith, Oct. 6.—Sad stories are pouring in of the victims of the disaster. The sister and brother-in-law of Ingham arrived last night from Kansas on a visit.

Wargo and Messerich returned on Sunday from a hunting trip and intended to work for one day and then resume their holiday.

Rescuers resumed work at daylight. O'Connell's Last Rush. Among the men who lost their lives

in this explosion there were none more popular or better known, not only on Vancouver Island, but also in sporting circles on the mainland, than Tom O'Connell, the star fullback of the Ladysmith football team. From the position in which his body was found it was evident that he had taken alarm at the first sound of the explosion and made a desperate effort to escape. He was working some distance from the exact spot where the explosion originated, and one of the few men who escaped said O'Connell had called to him and then started to run to escape the deadly afterdamp, which generally causes a greater loss of life than the explosion itself. He was found with his arms drawn up and his leg muscles still tense from the last desperate rush, more determined than he had ever made on a football field, in which he was trying to reach fresh air. In his mad rush he had dashed full tilt against a pillar in the darkness. The shock evidently stunned him and allowed the deadly gas to overtake him. His body was among the five found when the rescuers managed to penetrate past the two-mile mark on No. 2 slope.

Giant Greek's Fight For Life. Alex. Milos, a giant Greek, with the frame and muscles of a Hercules, was the last of the initial quintette of bodies rescued. He had been terribly mangled and burned by the explosion, but his phenomenal physique enabled him to press on until exhausted nature finally gave way, and the afterdamp overtook him. With the exception of the one body, the head and torso of which were so badly mangled as to be still unidentified at a late hour last night, Milos' body was the most shockingly mangled of the lot. Stripped to the waist as he was at his work the flame of the explosion literally peeled the skin off until it was hanging in shreds over his hands like the fragments of a badly torn, blackened glove. The sole of one of his heavy shoes was torn clean off, and the uppers of both hung in tatters with not the slightest sign of a lace in one shoe.

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