





REMOVAL OF INDIANS

A Return Brought Down Yesterday Containing Correspondence Between Governments.

With Respect to the Removal of the Indians from the Songhees Reserve.

Provincial Government Make Concessions in order to Secure a Settlement.

Yesterday an interesting return was brought down by the provincial secretary, in response to questions asked by Mr. Helmcken. The return includes the correspondence between the Dominion and provincial governments in reference to the Songhees Indian reserve.

The first portion of the return is a copy of the report of the committee of the executive council, in which the executive submitted for the approval of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor the resolution dealing with the matter passed by the legislature last year.

The committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a dispatch hereto attached, dated 31st January, 1896, from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report of the committee of his executive council, embodying a resolution passed by the legislative assembly of that province, asking that the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians from their reserve to a more suitable locality be referred to a special commission.

The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, to whom the dispatch was referred, reports that the Songhees Indians were settled upon the land now occupied by them at the time of the occupation of Vancouver Island by the Hudson's Bay Company, and in a cession made by them to James Douglas, the agent of the Hudson's Bay Company, in the year 1850, of other territory, they reserved for their own use, and for the use of their children, the land at present comprised in the Songhees reserve.

The Minister further states that under the order-in-council of the 16th May, 1871, admitting British Columbia into the Dominion, the Songhees reserve and other lands reserved for the use and benefit of the Indians came under the trust and management of the Dominion government. An agreement was subsequently come to with the government of British Columbia respecting the allotting of reserves to Indians in that province, and under that agreement a commission was appointed for that purpose. The decision of that commission, dated the 4th of May, 1878, as to the Songhees reserve reads as follows:

"The land reserve of these Indians in the harbor of Victoria appears to be the private property of the tribe by a written agreement, made on the 30th April, 1850, between the chiefs and people and the agent of the Hudson's Bay Company, setting on behalf of the Crown, and by the land having been alienated, set apart for their proprietary use and benefit, but the commissioners, so far as they have authority in the matter, confirm this reserve as surrogated to the Songhees Indians."

The Minister observes that the legislature of British Columbia has, on several occasions, passed resolutions urging upon the government of that province the desirability of having the Indians removed from the Songhees reserve. The subject of several communications between the government and the government of the Dominion, but as the whole question of the title to Indian reserves in British Columbia was in an unsettled condition, and as the British Columbia government set up claims to reservations which the Dominion government did not feel warranted in admitting, it was not thought desirable to treat of the removal of the Songhees Indians until something definite had been done as to the latter question.

The Minister further observes that the matter at the title of the Dominion government in reserves in British Columbia has been made, by order-in-council of 5th June, 1895, the subject of a reference to the supreme court, and it cannot now be affected by any arrangement which might be entered into between the two governments and the Indians interested respecting their removal to a more suitable locality. The Minister further observes, that if it is decided that the agreement to refer the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians to a commission be made without prejudice to the claims of the Dominion government as to all other reserves in the province of British Columbia, and that the title of the land which may be accepted as a reserve for the Songhees Indians, in lieu of their present reserve, be conveyed in fee simple to the Dominion government as the trustee of the Indians, the Dominion government would be disposed to recommend that, as suggested in the resolution of the legislature of British Columbia, the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians to a more suitable locality be referred to a commission consisting of three members, one to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, one by the Dominion government, and the two so appointed to agree upon a third, and in the event of the two so appointed being unable to agree upon a third, some member of the supreme court to be the third commissioner.

The Minister, in case of the foregoing recommendation being approved, would also recommend that Mr. Peter O'Reilly, Indian reserve commissioner, be appointed commissioner for the Dominion government.

The committee advise that a certified copy of this minute be forwarded to the

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Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

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Indian Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada: OTTAWA, 23rd JAN. 1897. To His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of B.C., Victoria, B.C. 'After consultation with Dominion Ministry I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this patriotic expression of sympathy.'

RHODES' STATEMENT

He Says Dr. Jameson Acted Without His Orders in Raiding the Transvaal.

London, Feb. 18.—When the committee appointed by parliament to inquire into the Transvaal raid met many prominent persons were present. Cecil Rhodes read a long statement, which he said covered the whole ground and recited the grievances of the fugitives against the Transvaal government.

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BY-LAW.

Regulations for the Working of Street Railways in the City of Victoria.

Whereas the Council of the City of Victoria deem it necessary and expedient for the protection of the persons and property of the public that the regulations heretofore contained shall be made for operating street railways in the City of Victoria:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. No car weighing with its passengers more than eight and one-half tons shall be allowed to cross the James Bay bridge or the Rock Bay bridge, and no car shall be permitted to cross either of these bridges unless it is loaded with not more than 30 passengers at any one time.

2. No car shall be propelled at a higher rate of speed than four miles an hour when crossing any bridge or trestle work, and when on a bridge or trestle work no car shall approach closer to any other car than 200 feet.

3. Should there be any foot passengers on any crossing before the car approaches the issue in such situation as to render danger of collision imminent the car shall be stopped so as to avoid any danger of collision.

4. Each car shall be supplied with a gong which shall be sounded by the motorist or driver when the car approaches to within 50 feet of each crossing.

5. The cars shall not be willfully driven against any person or animal whilst being upon or crossing any of the streets of the City.

6. No passenger shall be allowed to ride or travel on the roof of any car.

7. No car shall carry more passengers than the same can conveniently accommodate, and the number of passengers each car can accommodate shall be previously fixed and indicated upon a card posted inside and painted in plain figures and letters on the letter board outside of each car.

8. The route through which each car has to run shall be conspicuously marked, affixed and indicated in letters on the outside of the car.

9. After sunset the car shall be provided with colored lights, on the front and rear of the roof.

10. No car shall be allowed to stop on or over a crossing, or in any intersecting street, to avoid a collision, or prevent danger, to persons in the street, or for other unlawful reasons, and no car



The Daily Times.

EUROPE'S LITTLE PROBLEMS.

The civilized world will be pleased beyond measure if Crete passes from the rule of the "unspendable Turk" to that of enlightened Greece. There is a strong and well founded suspicion that Russia is behind the sturdy little kingdom in its scheme of wresting the island from the hands of the Sultan, but if Russia were even a greater bugbear than she is in the success of her supposed intrigue in this case would be a source of gratification. There is one thing of which all concerned may make sure, that Russia will consent to no method of breaking up the Sultan's dominions that does not secure to her the lion's share, including Constantinople and the entire command of the Black Sea. Though the Christian population of the Turkish empire may suffer the severest torments, their woes must be a consideration secondary to the execution of the Muscovite plans. As the other powers of Europe are more concerned in thwarting the plans of Russia than in protecting the said Christians from the fiendish cruelty of the Turks, there necessarily occurs a deadlock, the solution of which is evidently far off. The dispatches are probably correct in reporting the Sultan as playing a game in which the surrender of Crete may gain him the counterbalancing advantage of freedom from interference in the remainder of his empire. Whether this surmise is correct, and whether the Sultan will secure what he expects by yielding this spot, time alone can decide.

THAT COWICHAN DAM.

Major Mutter's statement in the house yesterday with respect to the Cowichan river "improvement" makes it appear that the Times was in error in only one particular, namely, that the expenditure did not appear in detail in the public accounts. It does so appear, though in a place where the ordinary reader would hardly look for it. The details are interesting enough to be worth reproducing:

- L. B. Hamlin, inspecting river and preparing plans, \$72.40.
H. Fry, C.E., professional services superintending dam, and expenses, \$37.
Laborers, \$314.
C. Bazett, tools, \$12.50.
G. Lewis, hire of scraper, \$10.
Total, \$465.90.
This was a nice little bill to pay for putting in a dam and taking it out again, and there are circumstances which lend it picturesque interest. It is said that when Mr. Hamlin inspected the dam he concluded that the next freshest would sweep it away, with the prospect of aggravating the evil the work was supposed to remedy. Therefore he reported that the dam might better be removed at once. If the work of the department were carried on in an intelligent manner, the expert opinion would surely have been asked before the work had been undertaken. Then both branches of the Cowichan run through the Indian reserve and are equally likely to wash away their banks, so it must have been a brilliant idea to transfer the damage from one branch to the other.

Some time ago the News-Advertiser was quite certain that the act of 1894 B. C. Southern railway. Now it approves of the act introduced by the government to correct the "clerical error" by which it appears such extension was made. Of this act it says: "Probably the only persons who will not approve of it will be those who, a few weeks ago, attempted to build up a party cry on a huge magnifying glass being granted by the legislature with the object of getting a little cheap political capital for themselves." They, of course, will be disappointed. Inasmuch as nobody is known to have made the attempt spoken of, there need surely be no opposition thereto from the News-Advertiser's myth. Disapproval of the government's new bill could be expected only from one quarter, namely, the gentlemen who are in

a position to profit by the "clerical error"—and possibly from their particular friends, personal and political. The Times is much gratified at having an opportunity to say a good word for the Provincial Secretary. Badgered by Dr. Walkem, openly criticized by Capt. Irving, harried by Mr. Heineken, and disturbed by everybody, it is pleasing to know that the suspicious in regard to the expenses of Col. Baker's eastern trip were unfounded. The return bill before the house shows that Col. Baker only charged the province \$204. This is very moderate indeed, and the Provincial Secretary is to be commended for his economy. The trip could not be made for less with a railway pass, which, of course, Col. Baker does not travel on. It is really worth more than \$204 to the province to have the Provincial Secretary absent himself from his department for two or three months.

THE SHORT ROUTE.

To the Editor: If the telegram which was published in the Colonist of this morning is correct, it appears to me that Mr. Shughnessy or any other official of the C.P.R. had better attend to the business of that line (no reflection on the management of the C.P.R. intended) and leave the people of British Columbia to come to a conclusion what is best for this province in the way of building railroads. At a number of public meetings held recently in the largest centres of the municipalities, resolutions were passed, I believe, unanimously calling upon both the Dominion and the local governments to assist in having at the earliest possible date a railway built from the coast cities by way of Hope, Similkameen and Boundary Creek countries into Kootenay. It is well understood that by this short route Rossland can be reached from this point in one-third of the time which it takes either by the C.P.R. or by the American railways. But that is not all. It will open up the vast country lying between Hope and Rossland that can be done only to a small degree at present. It is known that very large deposits of gold, silver, copper and lead have been found throughout the southern part of Yale, which cannot all be worked profitably without cheap means of transportation, and when this shall have been brought about both governments will find that they have made a profitable investment. It is further stated that the building of the line will commence from the Crow's Nest Pass end. While that is all right, we must and will have mile for mile built at this end, and that at once. If I understand the people of this province aright in this matter, they are not to be trifled with. In my next I shall give more reasons and particulars about the project. JOHN GRANT, Victoria, Feb. 17.

THREE WEEKS IN AGONY.

Inflammatory Rheumatism so Acute He Could Not Attend to His Daily Duties—Lived Three Weeks in Agony—Felt When That "Good Samaritan" of all Cures, South American Rheumatic Cure, Passed His Way—It Helped in a Few Hours, and Speedily Cured—Cost 75 Cents.

Mr. E. A. Norton, a well known citizen of Grimsby, Ont., was severely attacked with inflammatory rheumatism some 20 years ago—and after a time recovered, but five or six weeks ago the dread disease returned as violently that he had to give up work. For nearly three weeks he lay in bed suffering terrible agony. Another resident of the town who had been cured by South American Rheumatic Cure persuaded him to try it, and to his great surprise, after using the medicine one week he was so far recovered as to go about town. From the first dose he felt a great improvement, and to-day he is most enthusiastic in singing its praises. No case too severe for South American Rheumatic Cure to check in six hours, and—cure—permanently. For sale by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

The steamer Umattila, which sails tonight for San Francisco, will carry the following passengers from this city: Mrs. K. Melton, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. M. Lieberman, W. Eckles, August Brown, W. A. Stevens, Dr. A. E. Verlander, P. Wehrhitz, Miss M. Hughes, Miss L. Dickson, H. F. Clifton, G. F. Hamt and wife.

Mrs. Marshall died last night at the residence of her husband, old Esplanade road. Deceased had been ill for a long while. She was taken worse last night and Dr. Frank Hall was summoned, but before he arrived Mrs. Marshall had expired. A post mortem examination is being held this afternoon, and an inquest may be held to-morrow morning.

We find our business in Table Linens, etc., gradually increasing. The experienced housekeeper is a good judge of values, and we cordially invite inspection. Weiler Bros.

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A LADY BURGLAR.

Her Experience While Robbing a Gentleman's Friend.

"You see the lady burglar, as she ran a dainty gold-tipped jimmy through her back hair and toyed idly with a dark lantern, 'it was somewhat of an innovation, I confess, and I rather pride myself that I am the first real lady who has ever made a serious study of the science of burglary. Other ladies have tried it, but it was a mere flitting feat, like roller skating and hoopskirts. They never took up the calling in earnest, and I believe I am correct in my assertion that I am positively the only lady who has adopted the profession as a means of livelihood."

"How did I happen to enter it? No, don't say what was the first misstep. That is mere sentimental gush. There was no misstep. I took up burglary deliberately, and, if I may say it, with malice aforethought. All the legitimate professions were overcrowded, and I was far too good ever to think of becoming a housemaid or a waitress in one of those quick and dirty lunch places. And there was no money in typewriting."

"Once—and the lady burglar laughed a merry, reminiscent laugh—"I remember entering a gentleman's house by way of the second-story window—he was a personal friend of mine. "Oh, no; I never let such trifles stand in the way of business; in fact, if I am not much mistaken, he was an old sweetheart or something of that order. Well, I was just gazing in the glass to see if my hat was on straight preparatory to going through his jeans and whatever other articles of furniture he had, when he awoke with a violent fit, 10, 20 and 30 per cent. popular price start. "My Gawd, Mag, is it you?" he ejaculated in a low voice, 'what are you doing here at such an hour. Think of what the neighbors will say!" "I am here to rob," I replied, in a hard-boiled, Barbary Coast voice. He seemed surprised, but contained himself with remarkable self-possession. "If you will promise to go home and shed those bloomers forever, you can have anything I have got," and he gave me the key to his wife's bureau drawer on the spot. "Yes, I have found that as a rule, men are gallant. I always make it a point to disturb them as little as possible, but whenever I do arouse them they receive me in a courteous and kindly manner. I recall an instance of my earlier days, when I was little better than a second-story novice. I had entered a bachelor's apartment and was hastily separating the wheat from the unpaid bills, when he unexpectedly opened his eyes and gazed long and earnestly at me. "Do you find anything that strikes your fancy?" he asked in a gentlemanly way. "Nothing," I replied, 'that will enable me to live in ease and luxury.' "Well," he answered, 'in that lower drawer you will find a pair of pink-silk pajamas. If you will be so good as to take them, I think you can use them when your bloomers have gone into dry-dock."

"Oh, no; I was not offended. We lady burglars have to put up with a great deal of risque remarks, and besides the pajamas, I found, made excellent shirt waists for the occasion. "Would I recommend other young women to follow in my footsteps? No, not unless they were willing to put up with all manner of unconventional things. Sometimes I almost envy Billy Fly, Davy Dare Devil and those other ladies who hang by their toes from the 15-story buildings at 74 a column. "It is a good deal more genteel than to go through a pair of gentleman's trousers with the horrid dread in your heart that his wife has already been through them."

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"My six year old daughter, Belle, was afflicted with eczema for 24 months, the principal seat of eruption being behind her ears. I tried almost every remedy I saw advertised, bought innumerable medicines and soaps, and took the child to medical specialists in skin diseases, but without result. The doctor advised the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and since using the eruption has all disappeared, and I can confidently say my child is cured. (Signed) MAXWELL JOHNSON, 112 Anne St., Toronto.

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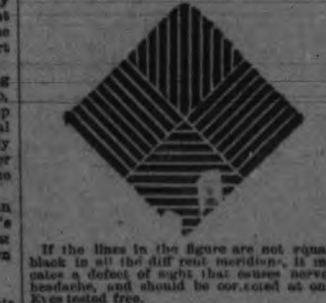
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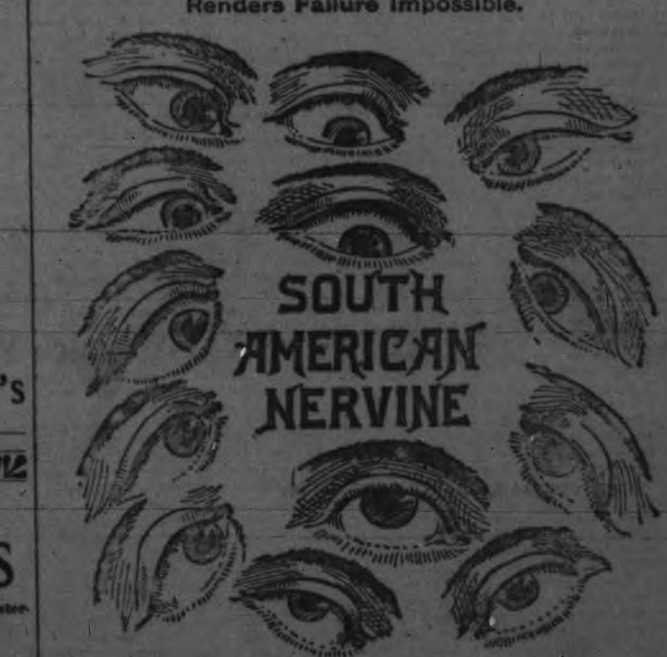
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In the matter of good health temporarily, while possibly successful for the moment, can never be lasting. Those in poor health soon know whether the remedy they are using is simply a passing incident in their experience, branding them up for the day, or something that is getting at the seat of the disease and is surely and permanently restoring. The eyes of the world are literally fixed upon South American Nervine. They have been studying this medicine for years with the one result—they have found that its claim of perfect curative qualities cannot be gainsaid. The great discoverer of this medicine was possessed of the knowledge that the seat of all disease is the nerve centres, situated at the base of the brain. In this belief he had the best scientific and medical men of the world competing exactly the same premises. Indeed the ordinary layman recognized this principle long ago. Everyone knows that let disease or injury affect this part of the human system and death is almost certain. Injure the spinal cord, which is the medium of these nerve centres, and paralysis is sure to follow. Here is the first principle. The trouble with medical treatment generally, and with nearly all medicines, is that they aim simply to treat the organ that may be diseased. South American Nervine passes by the organ, and immediately applies its curative powers to the nerve centres, from which the organs of the body receive their supply of nerve fluid. The nerve centres healed, and of necessity the organs which have shown the outward evidence of derangement is healed. Indigestion, nervousness, indigestion, sleep, head aches, all are the result of a derangement of the nerve centres. Thousands bear testimony that they have been cured of these troubles, even when they have become so desperate as to have the skill of the most eminent physicians, because South American Nervine has gone to headquarters and cured there. The eyes of the world have not been disappointed in the inquiry into the goodness of South American Nervine. People marvel, it is true, at its wonderful medical qualities. But they have beyond all question that it does everything that is claimed for it. It works alone as the one great certain curing remedy of the nineteenth century. Why should anyone suffer distress and illness while this remedy is practically at their hands? ... FOR SALE BY ... DEAN & HISCOCKS and HALL & CO.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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To-night at A.O.U.W. Hall at 8 o'clock, "The immediate second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ as a thief in the night."

Mr. Geo. B. Macaulay, secretary of the Cariboo mine, of Camp McKinnay, left for Vancouver last night, but will return in a few days.

The Northern Pacific Railway Co. has issued a new folder of the Kootenay mining country, containing an accurate map showing the different camps and the kind of minerals found in the vicinity.

Captain Beck, who a couple of years ago took up a subscription in this city to assist in building a home for the blind, is still at work on his project.

President Hill denies that a traffic deal has been arranged between the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific. "I did not buy a dollar's worth of Northern Pacific stock," he said.

An athletic exhibition was given at the A.O.U.W. hall last evening in which the following gymnasts took part: Messrs. H. Mellich, J. Hill, C. Ennoff, G. Hill, H. Dodds and B. Budd.

The Victoria Hockey Club is not letting any grass grow under its feet. The club is busily engaged making preparations for the coming season.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, DR. PRINCE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER MOST PERFECT MADE.

a gambling house. He was again remanded until to-morrow morning and allowed out on his own recognizance for the sum of \$100 and two securities of \$50 each.

Hungarian Flour for \$1.20 at Johns Bros.

Prof. Stark lectured before the Philological Society last evening.

Garden tools, carpenters' tools, tinware, crockery, etc., cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

The time for receiving tenders by Mr. W. W. Northcott, city purchasing agent, for the removal of garbage, is extended to Monday, March 1st.

The latest dinners are always served at my cafe. The latest table photo dinners, Spears & Pond's style, London, 50 cents. Lawrence, the caterer.

Next Tuesday evening Mr. W. T. Cookley, of New Westminster, will deliver one of his illustrated lectures at the Metropolitan Methodist church.

What organization has any greater opportunities for increasing membership, necessary to maintain low cost of protection, than the Macabees? None.

The Fifth Regiment band will be assisted at the drill hall on Saturday evening by Herr Adolph Preimuth, who will render several violin solos.

The meeting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals called for yesterday afternoon at the city hall did not take place. A meeting will be called again within a few days.

The members of the Young Ladies' Institute will give a "travels and those papers social" at A.O.U.W. Hall on March 1st. The social will be followed by a dance.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon, in her 72nd year, of Mrs. H. B. Richardson, of Victoria West. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from her late residence, Jesse street, Victoria West.

The Texada Silver Hill Mining Company is the latest addition to the mining companies organized in this city. It was organized yesterday with a capital of \$1,000,000 to acquire and develop a property on Texada Island.

A grand concert is being arranged for Easter Monday to be given by the combined choirs of the First congregational and First Presbyterian churches. The concert will consist of anthems, carols, solos, etc. The combined choir will number 45 voices.

Rev. Canon Beaudin officiated at the funeral of the late Henry W. Doscher yesterday afternoon. The pallbearers were Messrs. Thomas Shotbolt, Noah Shakespeare, Joseph Pearson, Joseph Wriglesworth, John Ward and J. P. Walls.

Ald. Kinsman gives notice that he will move the following resolution at the next regular meeting of the city council: "That the purchasing agent call for tenders for hiring a team of horses for drawing the street sprinklers at such times as they may be required during the coming season."

The ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church will hold another of their popular conversations at the schoolroom of the Reformed Episcopal church this evening. A feature of the entertainment will be the chess tournament, in connection with which one of the best exponents of the game in the city will give an exhibition of simultaneous play, being matched against 12 players.

All hopes of sending a contingent of Greeks from this city to assist their country in its war with Turkey have been abandoned. The Greek colony has been disrupted and the local Greeks are at war with one another, and all over a quiet little game of poker which Gregory S. Poulidis has been running for some time past at the rear of his cigar store on Douglas street.

Charles Pughen, who nearly a quarter of a century ago landed at Victoria and has since made this his home, died this morning at his residence, "The Hall," 150 Fort street. The deceased was a native of Surrey, England, aged 57. He came to Victoria in 1863, and in the following year took part in the rush to Leech river. Like most of the comparatively small party of prospectors, Mr. Pughen did not remain in Leech river long, but returned to Victoria and went into business. At different times he either managed or owned the Delmonico, Senate, Victoria Gardens and Hall saloons, the latter at the time of his death. During the last two seasons he had charge of the restaurant at the legislative assembly. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2.30 from 150 Fort street, and a quarter of an hour later at Christ Church Cathedral.

The board of aldermen met at 7 o'clock this evening, and in the first consideration the estimates, matters in connection with the fire department and other business, but they ended by practically doing nothing. The first half hour was spent in discussing whether the press should be admitted, and it resulted in the newspaper men being requested to withdraw. "Matters in connection with the fire department" occupied the attention of the members during the rest of the session. From what can be learned these "matters" are the same old ones that have been discussed and settled by the different councils during the past few years. Chief Deasy's recent action in advocating a fully paid department gave his opponents a chance to revive these matters, they being in favor of the present roll system, but, of course, with nothing new in Chief Deasy's plan. A letter was read at last evening's meeting, which, while it does not make any specific charges, makes an explanation from the chief necessary. In the opinion of the council, another meeting will be held next week, when witnesses will be examined on both sides.

Our Specialty

IN THE PREPARATION OF PRESCRIPTIONS. JOHN COCHRANE, CHEMIST, N.W. cor. Yates and Douglas streets.

THE ARION CONCERT

Large and Fashionable Audience Entertained at Institute Hall Last Evening.

A Programme of Exceptional Excellence Rendered in Satisfactory Manner.

The clearest evidence that Victorians appreciate the musical treats given by the Arion Club is furnished in the fact that last evening, as on all previous occasions when opportunity has offered for hearing these entertainers, Institute Hall was packed to the doors with a large and fashionable audience.

The club shows greater proficiency, and, like old wine, is plainly improving with age. The vocal endeavors of the Arion Club have before been likened to the music from a pipe organ, endowed by the gods with powers of articulation and played upon by a master hand; and this simile irresistibly occurs to one when observing the ease and precision which characterizes Mr. Greig's manner of conducting, and the truthfulness of volume and tone of the melody which springs responsive to the wave of his baton.

Good judgment was displayed in the preparation of last evening's programme, the selections chosen affording the club an opportunity of displaying all its varied capabilities, and the introduction of the orchestral feature served as a much-appreciated sauce piquante to the feast of music.

Following the salutation, "Ecce quaesumus, quantum, incunctum, habitare fratres in munus," the first number on the programme was the "Wild Rose," by Franz Abt. While the interpretation was undoubtedly true, the number proved somewhat disappointing, the attack by the tenors on the higher notes being somewhat weak.

The same defect was plainly noticeable in handling the second number, "Glee," by T. F. Wainman. This selection is, however, plainly of a most difficult character, and the slight flaws in the treatment it received at the hands of the club, are not unpardonable.

In Sullivan's "Belshazzel" the next number, the club was plainly more successful, the rollicking, swinging measure being handled with a vim and gusto which showed familiarity with the selection. The last line in the last stanza, "You shall to-night upraise songs of the free," the last three words being repeated, fairly sets the blood tingling in one's veins. An encore was insisted upon and the last stanza repeated.

The trio, Hummel, op. 12 (a) allegro, and (b) andante, was then rendered by R. Nash, violin; K. J. Middleton, piano. E. H. Russell. With the exception that complaint might be justified on the score of the length of the selection—nearly fifteen minutes being occupied in its rendition—the effort was extremely successful and pleasing. Mr. Nash's playing, which is creditable to the highest degree, might have been improved if he had chosen to stand while playing instead of sitting.

Then came the "Farewell of Hiawatha," Arthur Foote, with the baritone solo taken by H. Kent. This number was on the whole most admirably rendered, but weakness in the higher notes was plainly visible on the part of both club and soloist. Still Mr. Kent is to be complimented on the undoubted success, with the one possible exception noted, which attended his effort.

Part II. It was opened with Franz Abt's "Ave Maria" the tenor solo being taken by E. H. Russell, who was, perhaps, never heard to better advantage, his enunciation being clear, the tone clear and the modulations smooth. It is in selections such as this that the club appears most at ease, anything demanding delicate handling being treated with rare skill.

"In On the Sea," Dudley Buck, the club rose to its full power, so to speak, and the delighted audience, who had put this number down as the "zen" of the evening. This selection, like all songs of the sea, is characterized by a dash, vim and gusto, and in such the club are indeed at home.

But the gem—there is always a gem of the evening, as well perhaps as of all the concerts yet given by the club, was the "Bible Song," Dudley Buck. The club were in this accompanied by R. Nash, 1st violin; Miss Tonne, 2nd violin; H. B. Young, viola; A. Scroggs, cello; H. Kent, fute; George Paulsen, 1st organ; and E. H. Russell, piano. The rendition of this selection was unacceptably grand, and considering its extremely difficult character, highly creditable. An outburst of spontaneous applause greeted the conclusion of the number and subsided not until an encore had been granted and the whole repeated.

The cantata "The Pilgrim's Journey," composed by Rev. F. C. Harris, was rendered last evening by the choir of the Cepstral Methodist church, assisted by the composer. Its rendition taken up to assist in defraying the expenses of an improved lighting system in the church.

Ringling noises in the ears, snapping, buzzing, roaring, caused by ear-ache, all disappear with the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The "Pilgrim's Chorus," from "Tea-banquet," with piano and string accompaniment, the last number of the evening, afforded an opportunity to test the power of the combined voices.

"God Save the Queen," as only the Arion Club can sing it, brought the second concert of the fifth season to a most successful close.

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SEEKING INFORMATION.

Dr. Montisambert Leaves in the Morning for the Mainland.

Dr. Montisambert, superintendent of Dominion quarantine, leaves in the morning for the Mainland, having gathered all the information possible here and at Nanaimo. He also spent a couple of days at Port Townsend discussing quarantine questions with the American officials. As he put it, "there can be no boundary line as far as disease is concerned. All the officials, to do effective work, must work in harmony." Information on every phase of the question, primarily of course to keep out disease, but also as to the best means of dealing with steamers without undue interference with trade, has been gathered by the doctor and will be laid before Hon. Mr. Fisher, minister of agriculture, whose department has supervision over the quarantine stations. The minister was anxious to visit the province himself, but could not do so on account of the near approach of the session. He may, however, do so at the close of the session.

After seeing the shipping men, health authorities and other interested parties in Vancouver and New Westminster, Dr. Montisambert will proceed east. What changes, if any, will be made in the regulations the superintendent of course cannot say.

PERSONAL.

William K. Leighton, of Nanaimo, is at the Driard.

A. D. Williams, of Sandon, is a guest at the Driard.

Thos. Hooper came over from the Mainland last evening.

John S. Byron, of the steamer Nankup, is at the Driard.

A. McDermott and wife returned last evening from Vancouver.

C. A. Lett, Vancouver, and J. Joseph, Portland, are at the Driard.

John S. Clute, inspector of customs, arrived in the city last evening.

H. F. Clinton and wife were passengers from Vancouver last evening.

Capt. Black and party left for Omineca by the Charnier this morning.

A. J. Bechtel, Sr., left yesterday for Butte, where he will reside in future.

Mr. G. F. Hanft and wife leave for San Francisco, Cal., on the Umatilla to-night.

H. F. Clinton and Mrs. Clinton, and Mrs. Arthur Malins, New Westminster, are at the Driard.

William Burns, B.A., inspector of schools, left this morning for the Mainland on departmental business.

R. Collier, D. W. Gillies and R. T. Cooper were among the Victorians who returned from Vancouver yesterday.

Eber C. Smith, editor and proprietor of the Rossland Daily and Weekly Record, and Mrs. Smith are in the city.

G. H. Scellie, of the firm of Simon Leiser & Co., who has been confined to the house for six weeks with rheumatism of the spine, was out to-day. He will leave shortly for California.

We have a few samples of parrot-baby carriages at a bargain. Weller Bros.

Equinault is to receive a visit from the old iron school ship Adams, of the United States navy, which left San Francisco last week on a five months' cruise. She has on board a crew of usual proportions. Besides Equinault the Adams will visit Honolulu, Hilo and Puget Sound ports.

The cantata "The Pilgrim's Journey," composed by Rev. F. C. Harris, was rendered last evening by the choir of the Cepstral Methodist church, assisted by the composer. Its rendition taken up to assist in defraying the expenses of an improved lighting system in the church.

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British Columbia.

ROSSLAND.

The Nickel Plate is down 218 feet and has three shafts working in it day and night. In a few days work on the shaft will be stopped and a drift begun at the 200-foot level. Work is also to be shortly resumed in the drift in the 100-foot level.

Work on the new standard gauge railway from Trail to Robson is now well under way. The contractors have worked at convenient points all along the line and upwards of 200 men are employed. It is not believed now that the road will be ready for operation before July 1, though an effort will be made to have trains running some time during June.

The city of Rossland now has a board of trade. A general meeting of those interested in the movement was held last night at the offices of Moynihan & Campbell, and the board was organized by the election of J. F. McLaughlin as president and D. B. Bogle as vice-president. The question of a permanent paid secretary was discussed, and will be decided at a meeting called for Thursday evening. Meantime W. S. Weeks was chosen acting secretary.

The shipments of the Le Roi show a slight falling off for the past week owing to the mine having been shut down for 36 hours to make necessary repairs. At present all the ore shipped from the mine is moved by teams, but the tramway from the mine to the L.R. railway road spur will be completed and put in operation the latter part of this week. Senator Turner is expected at the mine during the next few days, but his stay will be brief as he leaves Spokane next week for Washington, D. C.

GREENWOOD CITY.

(Special correspondent of the Times.) Greenwood, Feb. 15.—During the past week a sufficient number of mining sales and transfers have been made in this district to show its growing importance as a mining region. Camp McKinney, of which little had been heard for some time, has again come to the front. On Thursday last three mines in this camp changed hands, and as a result Hugh Cameron, one of the pioneers of the camp, is now a wealthier man. Mr. Cameron deserves his good fortune. He was one of the first to have sufficient faith to stay by Camp McKinney when every one else quit their claims. Two of his claims, the Fountain and the Vernon, were each sold for \$10,000 cash, and the Okanagan, owned by John Morin, was also sold for cash, but the price has not been made public. These claims all adjoin the famous Cariboo vein defined by the Cariboo. Mr. Cameron has also been sold to an English company, but no particulars can be ascertained. It looks as if Camp McKinney was on the eve of a big boom. This would not be surprising, because it has ore in quantity and quartz sufficient to make a flourishing camp. Mr. Bash, the manager of the Victoria claim, has struck a body of very fine ore in the tunnel which he is running to tap the vein. Mr. Bash says this is not the main lead, and he is still driving the tunnel. He expects to strike the main lead in a few days.

BOUNDARY CREEK TOWNSHIP.

The shaft on the Cornucopia, in Central Camp, is now down 40 feet in fair ore. The Mother Lode continues to look well; the tunnel has now been driven for 180 feet. Four men are working on the Combination, on Monday the shaft being down 90 feet. Mr. J. W. Powell has been offered \$1,000 for two lots on Copper street. These lots were sold ten months ago for \$100 apiece. The ore body recently struck in the Victoria claim at Camp McKinney is 13 feet wide, the ore being quartz, galena and iron pyrites, assaying well. A deal of considerable importance in connection with the Grand Forks townsite is in progress this week, the particulars of which the principals want kept out of the papers for the present. A flock of between fifty and sixty white swans made Vasquez lake their headquarters until last month, when they separated into small bunches and now frequent the riffles and open reaches of the Okanagan river.

A shaft being sunk on the Adirondack, in Kimberley camp, and is now down 29 feet in solid pyritic ore, showing also considerable pyrites. Jim Clarke, owner of the Lone Pine, Eureka camp, on the reservation, has a force of thirty men at work developing the mine. The Lone Pine and Eureka claims have been offered on a bond for this property and refused. As a result of a two days' canvass by Mr. Black and others, the names of nearly sixty applicants were sent this week to the registrar at Vernon to be placed on the roll of provincial voters from Greenwood alone. Those who imagine that Boundary Creek towns are populated exclusively by Americans will be somewhat disillusioned. Messrs. Douglas and Waks last week landed the Crown Point, on James Creek, and the two adjoining claims, the No. 1 and the No. 2, also the Apache Chief, Oro Fino and three other claims in the group, at Rock Creek, to Mr. G. Mahon, representing the British Columbia Prospecting Syndicate, of Vancouver. The British Columbia Prospecting Syndicate recently bought the Orphan, a

half interest in the Lulu, and a quarter interest in the Waks, all in Central camp, from Mr. Douglas and his partners. The Syndicate also purchased 110,000 Silver King shares from Douglas & Atwood.

J. Duford sold his interests this week in two groups of four and six claims, respectively in Kimberley and Skylark camps, to Mr. E. E. Cordingley, of Victoria. Among the claims sold in the latter camp are the Barrow, L.R. Jim and American Eagle, all of which are considered promising prospects. This week the Boundary Mines Company practically took up the bond on the No. 7, by making a second payment of \$4,000 on the purchase price of \$12,800. A balance of \$8,800 is, however, still due to the vendors, and is to be paid in 60 days from the date of the expiration of bond on the 15th inst.

THAT COWICHAN DAM.

The Correspondence Relating Thereto Read by Major Mutter, M.P.P.

Following are the letters relating to the abortive dam on the Cowichan river read by Major Mutter, M.P.P., in the house yesterday:

Somenos, B.C., Sept. 4, 1895. To the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B.C.: Sir: Having been requested by Mr. Pinbury, of Cowichan Falls, to take a look with him at the state of the banks of the Cowichan river where the fork commences, I did so, examining the north branch formed by the river during the last few years, and the damage done to the lands through which it flows, which has been extensive, and I fear that before very long time, unless some most valuable lands will be carried away completely, and very great and irreparable damage result. Some splendid soil has already gone, much of it Indian, owned by men who farm it fairly well. From present appearances this branch looks as if it will cut away all the land till it gets to the hillsides, destroying roads and bridges. Is it not possible to do something to stop this serious loss to the country of valuable land, now bearing crops or grass? At the fork a dam thrown across, costing, according to Mr. Pinbury, about \$400, would keep the water in the proper channel. He wanted steps taken before the damage took place, but was unsupported; now his prediction has come true and a heavy loss taken place, to be succeeded by still more disaster. The question of Indian reserve may be pleaded, but if by a small outlay the land can be saved in the meantime, the question as to responsibility can be fought after, and any way could not the Indian department be asked for an undertaking to recoup the necessary expenditure by security on the Indian lands benefited. I do not see why the lands benefited by protection works should not contribute. Trusting that you can arrange for some immediate action. I have the honor to be, sir, your most obedient servant, J. M. MUTTER.

Duncan, B.C., Sept. 23, 1895. Sir: On receipt of your letter of the 18th inst., I communicated with Mr. Pinbury, of Cowichan Falls, and on Saturday with him made an examination of the Cowichan river in regard to the improvements desired by Major Mutter, M.P.P. There can be no question that unless something is done serious damage will occur to the trunk road and bridges in the vicinity at the next high water, which might entail repairs to the extent of \$1,000 or \$1,500, whereas by expending the sum of \$400 at once this may be prevented, but to ensure safety and keep the cost at that the work must be undertaken without any delay whatever, as should the water in the river rise it will be impossible to complete it in a satisfactory manner, if at all, this winter. The trouble is caused by the main channel of the river filling up with gravel, thus forcing the water at flood time into a second channel. At the mouth (?) of this dam can be placed across, of brush and gravel, to confine the water in the main channel and prevent damage to both road and lands. The channel required to be blocked runs almost entirely through Indian lands, which are at present being washed away very rapidly, and unless something is done at once they will lose a large tract of their best agricultural land. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant, HENRY FRY, C.E.

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JAMAICA'S MONGOOSE TRAIL.

The introduction of the mongoose into Jamaica marks one of the standard instances of unexpected results following upon an attempt to artificially process of natural selection, and takes rank as a warning with the plague of rabbits and thistles in Australia. The mongoose was introduced from India, in 1872, in order to abate the pest of rats which infested the sugar canes, and after performing this salutary duty it increased and multiplied to such an extent that not only the rats and mice, but most of the living species of the island, were threatened with extinction. Poultry suffered first, but the depredations extended to young pigs, lambs, newly dropped calves, puppies and kittens. Game of all kinds was attacked, both living and in the egg. The marder ate even fish, and made such a specialty of snakes, ground lizards, frogs, turtles and land crabs that many kinds of these entirely disappeared. Finally the mongoose developed a ravenous desire for lizards, pineapples, young corn, straggled peas, cowpeas, pumpkins, and the sugar canes which it had been called in to protect, winding up its tastes with an appetite for salt meat.

The result was the wholesale disappearance of species. A few birds, like the ground dove, had the sense to shift their breeding places to the tops of its prickly nests, where they were safe; but other animals, and the reptiles in particular, suffered severely. That many kinds were believed for years to be extinct. As a consequence there arose yet another plague. Insects like the ticks and "fingers" (or chiggers) which used to be kept down by the snakes, increased so overpoweringly that men and cattle were grievously infested. One could not walk without being covered with them.

The victory over the island remained with the tick and the mongoose, and, within the past year or two, a frost stage set in. The mongoose suddenly began to be less plentiful, and it was found that he had fallen victim to the tick. The results of the diminution are shown in a gradual reappearance of other beasts, birds and reptiles. Among the snakes there is a marked increase, and even the ground lizard, supposed to be quite extinct, has become common again. The balance of life has begun to reassert itself and naturalists will watch with curiosity for a complete reinstatement of the previous fauna. The renewed depredations of rats are hailed as an advent of salvation, and, add as it may annual, the increase in numbers of the crocodile is taken as a happy omen. The Jamaicans are not likely to make further experiments in this interesting domain of natural history, but will adhere in future to such present evils as they have. For them, at any rate, it has been no "imaginary mongoose."

GRAVEL IN THE BLADDER.

Ure Eighteen Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills—Stone Dissolved and R. as "Case of Others Cured."

Shelburne, Feb. 16.—(Special)—Mr. John McGill, known locally as well as far and near as a physical giant and glorying in his strength, came to be a great sufferer, and tells of his cure as follows: "I do not hesitate to speak of Dodd's Kidney Pills or anything else exactly as I find them. If a medical cures me and I think it will cure others, why not say so? "It is true that I have been suffering for some time with Bladder trouble and learning of a cure made in a similar case, by Dodd's Kidney Pills, I commenced using them. "In all I have used eighteen boxes and they have dissolved the stone and have entirely cured me of any sign of such difficulty. I do not hesitate to speak of Dodd's Kidney Pills in the highest terms of praise, for I know of many persons who have been cured by them."

GROWTH OF THE BICYCLE.

The cycle industry in the United States has grown from six factories in 1885, with a total output of 11,000 machines, to 500 factories in 1895, counting only those which put out not less than 1,000 machines annually, and having a total production of 600,000 cycles of various grades. The capital invested in these 500 factories is placed at \$30,000,000, and the lowest estimate of the output of completed machines for 1896 is 1,000,000, valued at \$30,000,000. If the manufacture of tubing, bells, lamps and other bicycle paraphernalia is included, it is estimated that the total capital invested would amount to \$125,000,000.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of William H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver."

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TAIL PRICES IN RHODESIA.

At the moment when the questions of the agricultural prospects of the country and of the possibilities of stock-breeding have been raised, the following notes of prices should be of interest: At the sale on Saturday last 38 cows, a rather small breed, a cross between Mashona and Malabole cattle, realized £1,504, being an average of almost 2 1/2 per head. Eggs are selling at about 3s each. A week or two ago seven hens changed hands for a £10 note. These prices will make the mouths water of stock farmers and poultry breeders in other parts of the world. But, unhappily, their stock is not in the neighborhood of Salisbury, and if it were it is very certain that the prices named would not have been realized. The question is one of demand and supply, and after all, the demand just now in Salisbury is restricted. But for a long time to come, until the country is once more well stocked with cattle, there is every prospect that very high prices for stock and for draught animals will be maintained. The possessors of a really good herd of cattle and of a good stock of poultry would certainly be objects of envy just now—if they existed in this country. And while these big figures are being realized in live stock, the produce of the ground is also so scarce just now that many articles of ordinary consumption are absolute luxuries. Potatoes are now selling at from 2s. 6d. to 4s. per pound. At this rate, the man who is fortunate enough to have an acre or two of ground under cultivation, and to have raised a few tons of potatoes on it, will make an extraordinary profit—quite a small fortune, in fact, for the price works out at not less than £250 per ton. Once again, however, it is a mere question of demand and supply. If a few tons of potatoes were introduced on the market, the price would fall very rapidly indeed. In the case of farm produce it is probable that prices will fall much more rapidly than will the price of live stock. It may be years before the country is again properly stocked with cattle, while for produce a few months may see operations once more so far advanced that the period of actual scarcity will have passed. While, therefore, the prices of the moment are well worth quoting, they should not be taken as a reason for anyone to rush into farming operations.—Rhodesia Times.

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The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it for sale by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver."

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, by the Yukon Mining, Trading and Transportation Company, (Limited), for an act authorizing and empowering the said Company to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from the head of Stikine navigation on Taku Inlet, by the most direct and feasible route to Twin Lake, with all necessary side tracks, switches, turnouts and terminal facilities; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines; and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for railway and other purposes. Dated at the City of Victoria, the 4th day of February, A.D. 1897. I. F. GUNLAD, On behalf of the said Company.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a rail way of standard or narrow gauge from a point on the Skeena River to a point on or near Dease Lake in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the north and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses and to appropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other acts necessary or incidental powers in the premises. DUNRELTON & SINES, Solicitors and agents for applicants. Victoria, B.C., January, 1897.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during its next session, for an Act to incorporate the British Pacific Railway Company, with power to construct a railway from Victoria, British Columbia, to Winnipeg, Manitoba, via Burrhead, Carlton Place and Prince Albert, with a branch line to a convenient port on Hudson's Bay, and a branch down the valley of the Cassiar, Columbia and Kootenay rivers to the 6th parallel of latitude, with power to purchase, lease, amalgamate or make running arrangements with existing lines or companies on the line of the proposed railway or connecting therewith. Montreal, 13th Jan. 1897. J. B. S.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, we shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by us to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the North Pacific Hotel, situated on the northeast corner of Yates and Wharf streets, in the City of Victoria, to David Dale, R. W. SAVAGE, Victoria, B. C., February 2nd, 1897. DAVID DALE, R. W. SAVAGE.

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